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**A Word from Our Executive Director,  
Jan Campbell**

**Dear Friends,**

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## DVS in the News

[Men Stand Against Violence in Domestic Violence Solutions' Campaign](#)

It has been a challenging month for us here at DVS. As many of you know, a young mother of three lost her life to an apparent domestic violence event - one that rattled us to our core. As our staff mourned her loss, we circled the wagons - determined to support each other and those both in and out of our shelters who live with fear every day. As a reminder...please don't hesitate to call our 24/7 crisis line if you or anyone you know needs an ear ready to listen, a hand ready to help or a heart ready to console. That number is **805-964-5245**.



### On the bright side...here are a few tidbits of joy we have experienced in June:

- We celebrated over 100 "Upstanding Men" in our Father's Day tribute ad in the Santa Barbara Independent. Thank you to those men who identified as allies and those that nominated them.
- We received notification of two large capacity building grants totaling over \$100K. Thank you to the Hutton Foundation and the Weingart Foundation!
- Our amazing outreach and clinical team conducted two State Certified 40-hour trainings - one completely in Spanish!
- We said goodbye to two members of our board - both of whom had served nine years, and welcomed two new board members - Brett Weichbrod and Janet Drayer.
- Our DV Housing First Program (which started in March) is in full swing - providing rent subsidies, security deposits and other housing assistance to dozens of clients.
- We welcome two new members to our DVS team; Amelia Borrayo - client advocate in Santa Barbara and Betsy Phillips - Job and Life Skills Coordinator.
- DVS Board Member, Brandi Redman, myself and Elizabeth Diaz of Legal Aid reconvened the Domestic Violence Coordinating Council - whose goal is increased collaboration, information sharing, public education and advocacy among agencies supporting a violence-free life. Over 15 agencies participated in the inaugural meeting held at the Santa Barbara Foundation.



**Thanks to all our supporters - donors, volunteers and partners, and best wishes for a peaceful summer.**

With best regards,

Jan Campbell  
Executive Director

## June is Pride Month

Domestic  
Violence  
and the  
LGBTQ+  
Community



**DVS supports survivors of all sexual orientations and gender identities or expressions.**

As Pride Month is coming to a close, we urge you to take a moment to read the following:

"Because the majority of the domestic violence awareness movement has focused on heterosexual relationships, members of the LGBTQ community have been largely left out of the movement. However, recent research shows that LGBTQ members fall victim to domestic violence at equal or even higher rates compared to their heterosexual counterparts..."

*Continue reading on the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence's [blog](#).*

## Upstanding Man - Thank You!



## THE UPSTANDING MAN

**Thank you to all who donated to our Upstanding Man campaign - the inaugural year!**

We had 112 "Upstanders" on our list... and raised over \$11,000!

All of the donations received will go to our new preventive program called "Coaching Boys into Men" and will help rebuild the lives of courageous domestic violence survivors.

View the full ad in the [Santa Barbara Independent!](#)  
(Inside front cover)

## Support Group Update



*Healthy  
Relationships  
Education &  
Support Groups*

**Join our FREE Healthy Relationships Education and Support Groups!**

We now offer groups in Santa Barbara, Goleta and Santa Maria - in both English and Spanish. All are welcome. Please help us spread the word!

View the printable flyer with all of the details, times and locations [here.](#)

## Save the Date!



### Candlelight Vigils

**Lompoc:** October 10

**Santa Barbara:** October 17

**Santa Maria:** October 24



### 40-Hour Domestic Violence Certification Training

**Santa Maria:** December 4, 5, 6, 9 & 10



### MAD Fitness Charity Workouts



Stay tuned for info about awesome classes benefiting DVS during the **month of November!**



### Annual Luncheon

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, February 23.**

### Community Partner Appreciation!



### Amazon Women @ Santa Barbara Community Committee

We are so thankful for this amazing group of ladies. They donated new sheets, towels and... Amazon Fire Sticks! Now our clients and their families can unwind and relax with endless options for movies and television shows. We are beyond excited!

Please consider helping local victims  
of domestic violence:  
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