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5K Walk / Run for National Child Abuse Prevention Month

Walking Together to Stop Child Abuse



XENIA, Ohio – Mar. 21, 2008 – The Family Violence Prevention Center of Greene County (FVPC) and Greene County Children Services will be sponsoring a 5K Walk / Run and each participant will be adorned with blue ribbons in honor of National Child Abuse Prevention Month. This is an opportunity for individuals and families to direct their energies toward an important cause, to support the survivors of Child Abuse and Domestic Violence, and to help our children find their voice and get safe. All proceeds will go toward funding programs to prevent and to end child and family violence.

The race will be held on April 5, 2008 at 10:00am starting at Beaver Creek High School. Medals will be awarded to both the male and female; first, second and third place winners in the following age groups: 15 yrs & under; 16-29; 30-49; 50-69; 70 & over. Race results will be posted online at www.keysports.net and www.fvpcgc.org.

Pre-registration will run now until March 31st for \$20.00. After March 31st, participants will need to register at the event location beginning at 8:00 am for \$25.00. All entries include 5k Walk / Run, T-Shirt and goodie bag. As always, donations will be accepted for those who are not physically able to participate but wish to support Child Abuse Prevention. Participants are also encouraged to ask their company to provide a matching gift to double their support and efforts in the fight against Child Abuse and Domestic Violence.

Participants can register online at www.keysports.net. Printable registration forms are available for download on our website at www.fvpcgc.org, Children Services' website at www.greenecsb.org/events, and Key Sports' website at www.keysports.net which then can be mailed or faxed to FVPC at the address provided. For more information or to register by phone, please call (937)376-8526 or (937) 426-2334.

About FVPC

Family Violence Prevention Center of Greene County has a comprehensive range of services to help protect victims and provide the support services necessary to rebuild their lives. Broadly, those services include a 24-hour Hotline, safe housing, children and youth services, community advocacy, counseling and education and training. The mission of the Family Violence Prevention Center of Greene County is to reduce family violence and its impact in Greene County. Our Core Values are: *Respect, Empowerment, Compassion and Integrity*. Each day the staff at FVPC is dedicated to their vision of *Violence Free Futures*. FVPC is enhancing the quality of life within the surrounding area. And the generous contributions from individuals, government agencies, and local organizations have made it possible for the Center to earn the gratitude and respect of the citizens it serves. We humbly thank you for your contributions, and we encourage your continued support. For more information visit, www.fvpcgc.org.

About Greene County Children Services

Greene County Children Services helps provide the support many families need to offer their children safe and loving homes. We offer a spectrum of services from family assessment and support to temporary and permanent child placement through foster care, adoption, group home and independent living programs. Every day we assess reports of abuse or neglect, collaborate with other organizations that serve children in Greene County, and help families meet the needs of our community's most vulnerable children. Our mission, with the support of the community, is to provide family-centered services to protect children from abuse and neglect by building safe and permanent families. For more information visit, www.greeneccb.org.

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