

violence free messenger

From the Director

Dear Friends,

We are in an unusual time as we as the world face the corona-virus outbreak. Health professionals are learning and sharing data as rapidly as they can about symptoms and the cycle of the virus once it becomes the disease COVID-19. Precautions that we are all embracing to flatten the bell curve on impact are important to preserve life and stave off disease results. So as we practice hand washing, enhanced cleaning of surfaces that are regularly touched, social distancing, and following the Ohio *Stay at Home* order, let us not forget what this means for the victims of violence in their homes. Family violence will increase in this intense time and will include child abuse and neglect, elder abuse and neglect, and intimate partner violence including verbal, emotional, physical, and sexual violence. Our services are essential at this time in an enhanced manner.

FVPC took swift action to preserve the staff's ability to safely support victims both in safe housing services and those in the community. Safe Housing is essential. At this time, we have had increased calls to the hotline, helping victims think through the plans that they are making to maintain their safety. Our counseling and case management services are being completed through a telehealth model. The swift action by the Ohio leadership was announced on Saturday March 14th, and on Monday, March 16th we made the needed preparations with mobile technical devices that we had - laptops, tablets, and a couple desktop computers went home to support the continued advocacy.

During April - Child Abuse Awareness and Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month- FVPC usually host and participate in several awareness events. This year FVPC awareness events will be held virtually; details are inside. The events include our **Child Abuse Prevention and Elimination Super Hero 5k** Saturday, April 25th and the **Take Back the Night**, Friday April 17th.

Fundraising Call to Action:

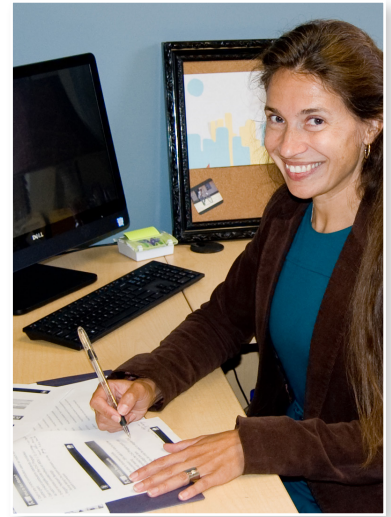
Major fundraiser - Spring Fling - will not be held, but your financial support is essential.

As the length of time regarding the spread of the corona-virus has extended into months, we made the responsible decision to cancel this core fundraiser event.

Instead, we are directly asking our friends who regularly support FVPC's work during the spring to boldly do so. The financial need is to raise \$40,000. I am thankful to share that many of the individuals and businesses who had committed financial support through event sponsorship have whole-heartedly affirmed their financial commitment toward the required amount.

Be reminded that the order to Stay at Home is keeping victims safe from a virus, but putting them in the very location where they are physically and sexually unsafe. Please know that your consistent support is essential for FVPC's daily operation. Your support is needed now!

Respectfully,
Debbie Matheson



Help FVPC While You Shop for Groceries at Kroger

- **Register** your Kroger card online at www.krogercommunityrewards.com
- **Follow** the directions online to select FVPC-our number is **KA-150**
- **Swipe** your registered Kroger Plus card when you shop

Now, each purchase you make with your card generates support for the work of FVPC. Since November, **FVPC has earned \$563.76** from the grocery shopping of 54 households. **Thank you for your support!**



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everyday successes

There are so many things that make our staff great, and one of those is their attention to detail. Our primary focus for 2020 is "attention to detail". One of our staff members that works with the DIVERT Program, which follows up on domestic violence calls in Greene County, was having trouble contacting a victim whom she had visited the day before. Through a search of older database materials and the help of the Xenia Police Department, she was able to find an alternate phone contact for the victim. The victim was grateful to have FVPC reach out to her after the incident, and our DIVERT staff was able to assess her situation and provide further resources for her.

The follow up contact for victims is essential to helping them feel secure and to help them make a plan based on the actions they feel comfortable taking in their individual situation. We provide practical resources and hopeful support to these individuals in their time of need.

Mission Moment

Personal connections matter! One of our counselors had worked with a teen who liked video games. They are participating in counseling to strengthen communication and respectful behavior toward their parents. In the moment, the counselor decided to use video gaming as a metaphor for the "Game of Life at Home." Together, they created a list of ways they could win at home and keep the game going. This seemed to really make sense to this teen. Now, this hopeful young adult has a set of behaviors to look at and share how it is practiced at home. It seems like they're winning at this very important "game" too!

Counseling is available at no cost to adults, teens and children at FVPC. Just call our support line to get your counseling started. 372-4552 or 426-2334.

donation spotlight

We are so pleased to be able to count the folks at HLE Coatings in Xenia among our community supporters. Over the past few months, the fine folks at HLE Coatings have contributed their time, their resources, and their funds to improving our facility and making life a little better for the clients we serve. Thank you to the Owner, Chris Lawson, and all of his staff for going above and beyond for the FVPC!

HLE Coatings specializes in repaints, new construction, and commercial and industrial coatings.

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upcoming events



Superhero C.A.P.E. Walk

Child Abuse Prevention and Elimination



Register for your Virtual Run Online at:

www.cantstoprunningco.com

Register by 4/14/20 to receive a T-Shirt. T-Shirt pickups will be arranged at a later date. Thank you!

Superhero CAPE 5K brought to you by FVPC as we work to prevent future child abuse and provide trauma informed care for victims.

Take Back the Night

Friday, April 17th at 6:30pm
Facebook Virtual Event

Visit the Family Violence Prevention Center's Facebook Page at the time of the event.

Breaking the silence in our fight to end sexual violence.

Hosted by Family Violence Prevention Center of Greene County
Individuals who would like to participate in the Survivor "Speak Out" portion of this event, please call 937-376-8526 ext. 124

meet the board

Becka Perales President of the Board of Trustees

Becka has been an active participant in building the Family Violence Prevention Center for many years. Her incredible energy and leadership has been a valuable asset to us. We are thrilled to have her at the helm leading the caring and engaged community members that compose our Board of Trustees. Thank you, Becka, for committing to lead our Board of Trustees.

a word from the president

Let me tell you about why I am enthusiastic about my tenure as the President of the Board of Trustees of the Family Violence Prevention Center (FVPC). The FVPC needs strong voices in our community to continue to shine a bright light on what domestic/relationship violence does to family members and to our community. It is not isolated or without consequences. The FVPC is a vital organization serving their mission with grace and competence. All one has to do is to visit the FVPC facilities and staff to understand how vibrant, giving, and essential they are to a healthy community. I believe in the mission, I trust the people executing this mission, and I see the importance of the services they provide through their prevention, intervention, safe-housing, and collaborative community programs. For all these reasons I am excited about the Board of Trustees that have agreed to serve alongside me - they are as talented, energetic, and focused. Our goal this year is sustainability in our fund raising, our outreach, and the ability to support the FVPC now and in the future. I am personally excited about serving alongside my fellow Board Members, the FVPC Director, and the staff - we have the ingredients to raise the profile of the FVPC and celebrate our many successes. How can you be involved? Ask us to come speak at your church, your community organization, attend and participate in our events, look for the FVPC wish list - ask me how you can help - we always have things you can do to help the organization. We appreciate this community we serve and are thrilled when we get support in all its many forms. Here is to a terrific 2020!! -Becka Perales, Board President, FVPC



Join Becka in Helping the FVPC Mission

Tell us how you want to join the FVPC mission to end violence in our community. How can you help today?

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, ZIP _____

Phone () _____

Email _____

☐ Yes I want to make a single gift to FVPC today!

☐ I want to give \$_____ monthly.

☐ I want to become a FVPC Member by giving \$100 or more per year.

☐ I want to become a Dove Giving Club Member by giving \$500 or more per year.

☐ I want to volunteer with FVPC.

spring fling

As You Wish Handyman Service
Berns Garden Center
Christopher's Restaurant
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Scott Fillback

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John Bryan Community Pottery
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Doubleday's Grill & Tavern
McIntosh's Pub & Grub
Blue Berry Café
El Toro
Elsa's Mexican Restaurants
Reza's Downtown
Urban Stead Cheese

Our Spring Fling event has been cancelled to protect the health and safety of our donors and staff. We would love to have our supporters continue to donate to the Spring Fling as a virtual event. More details will follow regarding the Spring Fling Virtual Event: A *VERY* Uncommon Affair.

We are so thankful to all of the sponsors who were able to commit their sponsorship dollars as regular donations to support the FVPC mission.

We want to give a very grateful thank you to our event sponsors and donors who have given to our Spring fundraising efforts, and gave to last year's event. Even though our events will look different this year, your support is still vital to FVPC's operations.

UD Athletics & Krystal Warren
Western & Southern Open
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The Dairy Station
Xenia China Inn
Nick's Restaurant
Tudor's Biscuit World
Los Mariachis
Meadowlark Restaurant
Arrow Wine
Dick Todd
Spinoza's
Young's Jersey Dairy

Thank you!

Employee Recognition

Family Violence Prevention Center has a staff of tenacious and dedicated staff that work each day to help our clients access the support they need to improve their lives and heal from their traumas related to domestic abuse and sexual assault. During the pandemic crisis, we would like to recognize our entire staff for their tireless efforts to ensure that survivors are able to be served well.

Our services are operated 24 hours a day and 7 days a week. The Safe Housing program and emergency and transitional housing runs concurrently with our hotline.

Our staff who fulfill these roles are considered frontline and essential. These staff are here supporting the survivors in our program who are healing from trauma while, along with the rest of the world, dealing with the corona-virus concerns.

Our staff are completing enhanced cleaning each shift to high-touch areas - door knobs, doors, door frames, toilet handles, and bathroom faucets. Strategies to mitigate the spread of Covid-19 are now in place. The management staff is diligently monitoring changing information.

Thank you to our Essential Staff:

Stacey, Sabrina, Ruby, Kaitland, Star, Brittny, Melissa, Sherry, Stephanie, and Ashley.

You are the heart of our organization!

special projects

Billboard Project

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Key Ads for helping us to raise awareness for Sexual Assault Awareness Month. With the generous support of Key Ads and the grant funds provided by VOCA and Rape Crisis Funds, we are able to launch a large-scale awareness campaign that will help us to reach survivors in need of assistance who may not know where to turn for help. Key Ads has been a supporter of FVPC in the past, and we are grateful to have their assistance again with our latest project.



Have you experienced Domestic or Sexual Violence?



We're here to help. 937.426.2334

Locker Project

Thank you to Ohio Attorney General's Office for approving Victim of Crime Act (VOCA) funding to support the bedroom locker project. For the past few weeks we have had a major project happening in the administration office that will benefit the guests we have coming into the shelter. Our wonderful volunteer, John and his assistant Star, our Shelter Support staff member, have been assembling these lockers that will give our guests an added feeling of security for the belongings in the shelter. It may seem like a small service, but having a safe place to stay along with a safe place to store precious few belongings can be a great comfort to some in a season of transition. Single adults have to share bedroom spaces and they will greatly appreciate a place for their purse, electronic devices, and other valuables to be held.

Many thanks to John and Star for working so hard to get these assembled and installed!



2020 dove giving club

about the dove club

For almost 20 years, the Dove Giving Club has recognized our most generous financial benefactors. Dove Club eligibility is based on the total amount of all tax-deductible financial gifts made or committed to during a given year. See the enclosed reply form for information on making a contribution at any level. If you are interested in becoming a donor and having your name added to our generous list of Dove Club members, contact our Development Coordinator:
elizabeth.comer@violencefreefutures.org or call 376-8526 ext 107.

At this time, we are pleased to recognize those donors who have committed to Dove Club level gifts.

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holiday thanks

Thank you so much to the families that found time in their busy holiday schedules to make the holiday experience special for the guests in our safe housing program through Adopt-a-Family and other activities. You are so appreciated!



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