

Your Fall issue of *PeaceWorks* is here!

If you would prefer to receive WRC newsletters electronically, please send your name and preferred email address to communications@wrcnr.org.



The WRC is in need of some Donations!

Items that we are in need of include:

- Paper Products
- Pillows
- Feminine Hygiene Products
- Cleaning Supplies
- Ziplock Bags, Trash Bags, Aluminum
- Coffee and Sugar
- Canned Meats – Chicken, Tuna, etc.
- Pasta and Sauce
- Meal Kits
- Juices

You can always find a list of donations on our website at wrcnr.org/donate. We also update our Facebook page with current needs at facebook.com/WRCNRV. All donations can be brought to our administrative office at 1217 Grove Avenue, Radford, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Can't make it to our location during those times? Don't worry, we accept donations that are shipped to our office! Visit wrcnr.org/donate for more information.

Believe it or not, *the holidays* are almost here!



The Women's Resource Center works with our clients to alleviate the difficulties the holidays can bring and work towards bringing them peace during this season. With our Adopt A Family program, we are able to fulfill both adult and children wish lists for the holidays and bring a little joy to their lives. It's exciting to be able to partner with our community, our coworkers, and our organization's families. If you are interested in adopting a family this holiday season, contact our Office Manager at officemanager@wrcnr.org or 540-639-9592.

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7th Annual Incite Safety

— Luncheons —

APRIL
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Tuesday, April 21, 2020
Radford University - Kyle Hall

MAY
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Thursday, May 7, 2020
The Inn at Virginia Tech

For more information, contact Laura Beth Weaver at assistantdirector@wrcnr.org or 540.639.9592.



Women's Resource Center of the New River Valley

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News on the work of the Women's Resource Center of the New River Valley, Inc.

History of Domestic Violence Awareness Month

1981 | In October of 1981, the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence (NCADV) held an event called "Day of Unity." The purpose of this day was to bring together advocates from across the nation who were working to end violence against women and children. According to the National Resource Center on Domestic Violence's website, nrcdv.org, the common themes of this day included mourning those who had died because of domestic violence, celebrating those who have survived, and connecting those who work to end violence. What began as a single day of events, evolved into an entire week, and eventually an entire month throughout the local, state, and national levels.

1987 | The first Domestic Violence Awareness Month took place in October 1987, which was the same year, just one month before, the first issue of the Women's Resource Center's newsletter was released.

1989 | In 1989, the joint resolution, S.J.Res.133, was presented at the 101st Congress (1989-1990). This joint resolution was to nationally designate October 1989 as National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The joint resolution was introduced in Senate on May 16, 1989, and it became Public Law No: 101-112 on October 6, 1989. Every president has recognized October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month since this occurred.

Today | Throughout October organizations and individuals raise awareness and bring attention to domestic violence. The Women's Resource Center recognizes Domestic Violence Awareness Month through social media campaigns, public speaking engagements, and events like the one highlighted below. At the Women's Resource Center we work to raise awareness around Domestic Violence year-round through our services and educational opportunities. We invite you to join us this October, and year-round, in working to end domestic violence and raise awareness. For more information, please visit our website at wrcnr.org.

The dedication and successes of those working to end domestic violence and the strength of the survivors of domestic violence should be recognized. S.J.Res.133 - 101st Congress (1989-1990)

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OCTOBER IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH



1 in 3 women and 1 in 4 men have experienced some form of physical violence by an intimate partner. The number of children that witness domestic violence in their homes is staggering.

Participants will carry a pair of shoes demonstrating the support available to individuals who have experienced domestic violence in their lives. A variety of shoes will be available for selection. Due to the transportation challenges that many victims of intimate partner violence face, a suggested donation of a \$10 gas card is requested. These donations will benefit the services of the Women's Resource Center of the New River Valley. Food will be available for purchase. Guest speakers will kick-off the event.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

12-2 P.M. / RANDOLPH PARK, DUBLIN, VA