

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Calendar of Events 2026

Event	DVAM Kick-Off	County	Allen
Location	Safe Exchange Center 224 S. Elizabeth St. Lima OH 45801	Date Time	10/1/2026 5 p.m.
Sponsoring Organization	Crossroads Crisis Center		
Contact	Olivia DePalma	Contact Information	419-228-4357 odepalma@crossroadscrisiscenter.com
Additional Information	Our annual DVAM Kick-off is held on the 1st of October to celebrate the beginning of October. During the event, the mayor reads a proclamation, we do a remembrance walk for survivors who have lost their lives, and it is finished with a Reading of the Names. View Flyer		

Event	Annual Candlelight Vigil	County	Allen
Location	Trinity United Methodist Church 301 W. Market St. Lima, OH 45801	Date Time	10/15/2026 7 p.m.
Sponsoring Organization	Crossroads Crisis Center		
Contact	Olivia DePalma	Contact Information	419-228-4357 odepalma@crossroadscrisiscenter.com
Additional Information	The Annual Candlelight Vigil allows us to honor survivors, recognize those working to end domestic violence, and remember those who have lost their lives. At this event we also hold the Silent Witness initiative and read the names and stories of those who have lost their lives. View Flyer		

Event	Make A Difference Day	County	Allen
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Location	All Chief Locations in Lima and Delphos and Community Market in Bluffton		Date	10/24/2026
			Time	9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Sponsoring Organization		Crossroads Crisis Center		
Contact	Olivia DePalma	Contact Information	419-228-4357 odepalma@crossroadscrisiscenter.com	
Additional Information		Our biggest donation day of the year! We will have people at the Chief's Supermarket in Northland, Delphos on Cable Road and the Community Market in Bluffton there to collect donations while speaking with the public.		

Event	Candlelight Vigil		County	Ashland
Location	Ashland Corner Park		Date Time	10/6/2026 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Sponsoring Organization		Safe Haven		
Contact	Laura Brewer	Contact Information	lbrewer@safehavenofashland.org	
Additional Information	This event honors the 10 women who have lost their lives to domestic violence and invites their families to light a candle and share a memory of their loved one. The Mayor of Ashland will declare the proclamation. View Flyer			

Event	Survivor Speak Out		County	Ashland
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Location	Freer Field Visitor Center Community Room 1301	Date Time	10/14/2026 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Sponsoring Organization	Safe Haven		
Contact	Laura Brewer	Contact Information	lbrewer@safehavenofashland.org
Additional Information	This is an opportunity for survivors to take back their stories. View Flyer		

Event	AppleFest	County	Ashland
Location	2233 Rocky Lane Ashland, Ohio 44805	Date Time	10/24/2026 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
Sponsoring Organization	Safe Haven		
Contact	Laura Brewer	Contact Information	lbrewer@safehavenofashland.org
Additional Information	This is a trunk or treat. This is a fun event to invite the community to get to know providers before a crisis occurs in a friendly environment. View Flyer		

Event	Empty Chair and Silent Witness Project	County	Ashland
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Location	Appleseed CMHC	Date Time	10/1/2026 8 a.m.
Sponsoring Organization	Safe Haven		
Contact	Rebecca Garcia	Contact Information	rgarcia@safehavenofashland.org
Additional Information			

Event	3rd Annual Art Exhibit	County	Ashland
Location	Opus II Dance Studio	Date Time	10/8/2026 6 p.m.
Sponsoring Organization	Safe Haven		
Contact	Rebecca Garcia	Contact Information	rgarcia@safehavenofashland.org
Additional Information	This is a collaboration with an art therapist to encourage healing through art. The art will be submitted or created at an event we are hosting on Sept. 30th at Ashland University. The canvases and paint were obtained from a grant and it will be open to the community to create art in support of DV month		

Event	2026 Domestic Violence Summit	County	Butler
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Location	Harry T Wilks Conference Center	Date Time	10/30/2026 8:45 a.m.
Sponsoring Organization	YWCA Hamilton Dove House		
Contact	Mandisa Williams	Contact Information	513-785-2685
Additional Information			

Event	Unmasking Hope: A Masquerade Gala	County	Clark
Location	Springfield State Theater	Date Time	10/22/2026 5:30 p.m.
Sponsoring Organization	Project Woman of Ohio		
Contact	Emily Kulow	Contact Information	ekulow@projectwomanohio.org
Additional Information	View Flyer		

Event	Candlelight Vigil	County	Clark
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Location	Downtown Springfield	Date Time	10/8/2026 7 p.m.
Sponsoring Organization	Project Woman of Ohio		
Contact	Emily Kulow	Contact Information	ekulow@projectwomanohio.org
Additional Information	View Flyer		

Event	Glo for Hope	County	Cuyahoga
Location	Cleveland Clinic Walker Fitness Center	Date Time	10/17/2026 3:30 p.m.
Sponsoring Organization	Cleveland Clinic Victim Advocacy Program		
Contact	Heather Ochocki	Contact Information	victimassistance@ccf.org
Additional Information	A mile charity walk to benefit the Cleveland Clinic Aliza Sherman Fund which supports patients and caregivers experiencing DV/IPV. View Flyer		

Event	Take Back the Night	County	Fairfield
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Location	Downtown Lancaster, OH	Date Time	10/13/2026 5 p.m.
Sponsoring Organization	The Lighthouse		
Contact	Amy LaRe	Contact Information	740-689-2558
Additional Information			

Event	Candlelight Vigil	County	Greene
Location	The Greene Town Center 51 Plum St Beavercreek Ohio	Date Time	10/5/2026 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Sponsoring Organization	Violence Free Futures		
Contact	Heather Culbreath	Contact Information	937-230-9511 heather.culbreath@violencefreefutures.org
Additional Information	View Flyer		

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Event	Domestic Violence Awareness Intersections of Healing in Action: A Community Panel for Accountability and Action		County	Hamilton
Location	United Way of Cincinnati		Date Time	10/7/2026 12:30 p.m.
Sponsoring Organization		Trauma Recovery Center of Cincinnati		
Contact	Sheila Nared	Contact Information	513-407-5362 snnared@gmail.com	
Additional Information				

Event	DV as a Public Health Issue: A Panel Discussion		County	Lake
Location	Lakeland Community College S Building, Room CLI A2100		Date Time	10/16/2026 9:30 a.m.
Sponsoring Organization		WomenSafe, Inc.		
Contact	Christina Ciofani	Contact Information	440-286-7154 x 222 cciofani@womensafe.org	
Additional Information	Registration is free and available on our website at https://womensafe.org/dvam-panel-discussion . View Flyer			

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Event	10th Year Anniversary Celebration		County	Logan
Location	Holland Theatre 127 E. Columbus Ave. Bellefontaine, OH 43311		Date Time	10/16/2026 10 a.m.
Sponsoring Organization		Soteria House		
Contact	Deborah Brownlee	Contact Information	937-404-2365 dbrownlee@tcn.org	
Additional Information	View Flyer			

Event	Remembering Their Light Candlelight Vigil		County	Lorain
Location	2929 West River Road N. Elyria OH, 44035		Date Time	10/23/2026 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Sponsoring Organization		Lorain County Safe Harbor		
Contact	Cara Staresinic	Contact Information	caras@loraincountysafeharbor.org	
Additional Information	Please wear purple. View Flyer			

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Event	Breaking the Cycle Breakfast	County	Montgomery
Location	Sinclair Building 12	Date Time	10/29/2026 8 a.m.
Sponsoring Organization	Artemis Center		
Contact	Lindsay Marto	Contact Information	Lindsaym@artemiscenter.org
Additional Information			

Event	Walk a Mile in My Shoes	County	Muskingum
Location	Muskingum County Courthouse	Date Time	10/5/2026 5 p.m.
Sponsoring Organization	Transitions, Inc		
Contact	Katie Oberhauser	Contact Information	transitions1979@gmail.com
Additional Information	Cost is \$10 per walker		

Event	Take Back the Night	County	Stark
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Location	Cultural Center for the Arts 1001 Market Ave N Canton, OH 44702		Date Time	10/14/2026 5:30 p.m.
Sponsoring Organization		Domestic Violence Project, Inc.		
Contact	Lydia Carmany	Contact Information	330-445-2002 lydiac@dvpi.org	
Additional Information	View Flyer			

Event	McDonald's Fundraiser			County	Stark
Location	Various McDonald's restaurants in Stark County			Date Time	10/8/2026 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Sponsoring Organization		Domestic Violence Project, Inc.			
Contact	Lydia Carmany	Contact Information	330-445-2002 lydiac@dvpi.org		
Additional Information	During this time, sixteen Tomtreyco McDonald's restaurants in Stark County will donate 15% of proceeds to Domestic Violence Project, Inc. (DVPI). At select restaurants, collections will also take place in person, and the donors will receive a certificate for a free baked apple pie from McDonald's.				

Event	Walk a Mile in Their Shoes		County	Stark
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Location	Peterson Field House - University of Mount Union 1972 Clark Ave Alliance, OH 44601	Date Time	10/22/2026 6 p.m.
Sponsoring Organization	Alliance Area Domestic Violence Shelter		
Contact	Ashley Huprich	Contact Information	330-823-7223 ahuprich@aadvs.org
Additional Information	View Flyer		