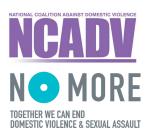


# DVAM Countdown: Last Minute Tips and Ideas





# **DVAM History**

- October 1981: "Day of Unity" held, conceived by the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence (www.ncadv.org)
  - Intent to connect advocates across the nation who were working to end violence against women and their children
- October 1987: First Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM) observed, same year as the first national domestic violence toll-free hotline
- October 1989: U.S. Congress passed Public Law 101-112 designating October of that year as National DVAM



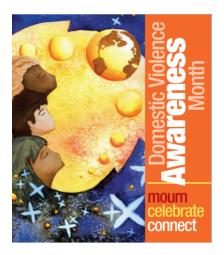


## Themes: Mourn. Celebrate. Connect.

Activities conducted were as varied and diverse as the program sponsors but had common themes:

- Mourning those who have died because of domestic violence
- Celebrating those who have survived
- 3. Connecting those who work to end violence

These three themes remain a key focus of DVAM events today.





# Awareness + Action = Social Change

Moving from awareness to a *call for action*, this message incorporates a prevention framework and promotes action for individuals, organizations, and systems.

#### Resources:

- Infographic
- Awareness Highlights
- 3-legged stool Talking Points
- PreventIPV Tools Inventory





# It starts with the question: Why do people join movements?



- People crave community.
- They want to be inspire to action.
- They know that they'll get something in return; personal benefit.
- They want to make a personal statement.





## The Right Activities to Inspire Engagement How do I engage my community?

The key to engaging the community is infusing your activities with elements unique to your community, doing this, can help ensure that the events will resonate with participants, potentially inspiring them to join the work of your organization.

## Hundreds of bikers ride in support of domestic violence





# **Considering Non-Traditional Partners**

Depending on your initiative and target population, you can look for partners in:

- · Community leaders
- Faith organizations
- Hospitals, health centers, doctors' offices and health-related clinics
- Schools, childcare centers and home daycare (including "unofficial care providers")
- Housing authorities
- Courts, police and public safety departments
- Local businesses and employers
- Local agencies or local offices of state or national associations that provide services to your population
- Programs for those in need (shelters, job training, literacy programs)
- · Local media

# Unsure how to start planning your DVAM outreach activities?



The following tips can help direct you to the right activities for your organization and your community.

- Determine how much time you have to plan an event.
- Find out the type of events that are most successful in your community.
- Take a look at your budget, do you have assigned funds for awareness events?
- Meet Your Audience's Needs. When planning your event(s), keep in mind who you are trying to reach.
- Be realistic. It is better to have a successful small event than an unsuccessful large event

#### **Event Ideas**



- Participate as an agency in the National Call of Unity.
- Host a small candlelight vigil or march.
- Dedicate an object, garden or public space to victims in your community.
- Hold a moment of silence in schools or workplaces.
- Set up an informational booth.
- Organize a purple sale in your program's thrift store.

Recognize victim service providers and support networks by:

- Baking cupcakes or cookies in appreciation for their efforts.
- Writing letters of recognition to acknowledge efforts of longserving volunteers and staff.
- Hosting a training event for staff and/or volunteers.
- Recognizing staff or volunteers and their success stories of hard work in your website or newsletter.

Events Database 
<a href="http://www.nrcdv.org/dvam/DVAM-Events">http://www.nrcdv.org/dvam/DVAM-Events</a>

Add your event, see what others are doing, get new ideas! ©



# The DVAP Toolkit: A Toolbox for Raising Awareness and Inspiring Action



Your **one stop shop** for domestic violence awareness and public education tips, tools, resources and info.

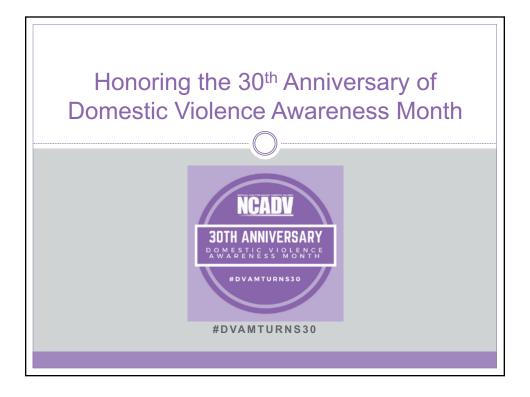
- ✓ Campaign Ideas & Strategies
- ✓ Awareness Highlights
- ✓ Statistics & Talking Points
- ✓ Awareness Materials
- ✓ Culturally Specific Resources
- ✓ Engaging the Media
- ✓ Sharing Your Story
- ✓ Promoting Your Event

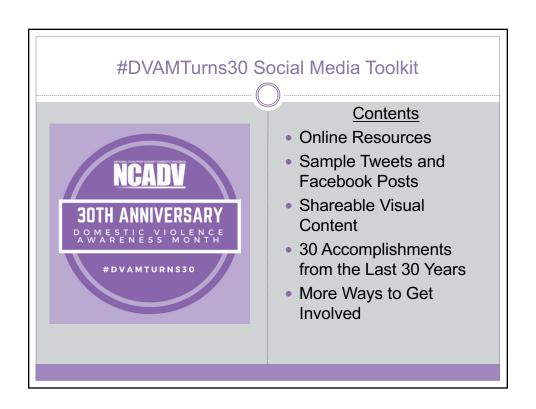




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### #DVAMTurns30 Social Media Toolkit



#### Online Resources

- Hashtag
- Printable Placards
   Ready Made
- CustomizableTwibbon
- NCADV DVAM Website Page
- NCADV "Quick Guide" Blog Posts:

What Is Domestic Violence? Stalking

Teen Dating Violence Economic and Financial Abuse

# #DVAMTurns30 Social Media Toolkit

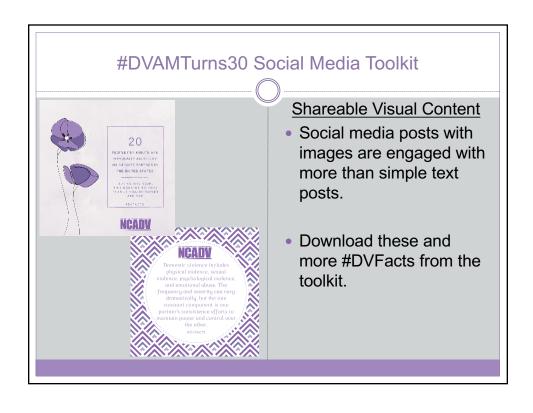
# Sample Tweets and Facebook Posts

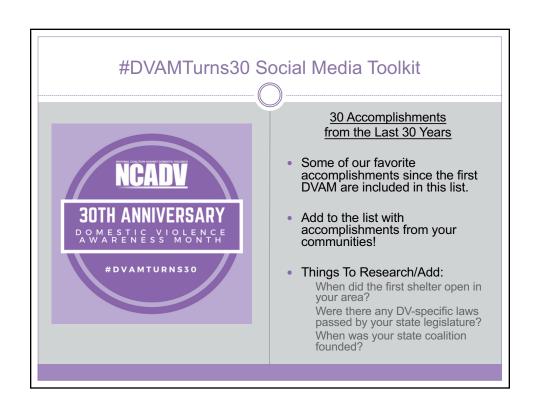
#DVAMTurns30 this October! What are you doing to honor this amazing anniversary?

Tell the world what #DVAMTurns30 means to you!



In '96, the @NDVH received its first call. Millions of calls later, #DVAMTurns30.





## How Should I Use the #DVAMTurns30 Toolkit?

#### Option 1: Grab It and Go

- Best for those with little to no time/resources to create a DVAM campaign
- Check Out:

Sample Social Media Messaging

Ready-To-Go Placard for Live Events

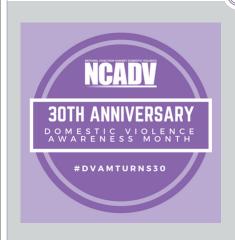
# Option 2: Customize for Your Community

- Best for those who want something more personal for your community/state/region
- Check Out:

30 Accomplishments in 30 Years

Customizable Placard for Live Events

## How to Get the #DVAMTurns30 Toolkit



- 1. Go to NCADV.org
- 2. Sign up to download the toolkit via email
- 3. Open the email and download the toolkit

# Ali Safran Nombre More Together we can end Domestic violence & sexual assault

# The NO MORE Toolkit: Using the NO MORE Symbol to Activate Your Community

The purpose of the NO MORE symbol is to raise visibility, encourage conversation, and help break the social stigma. Increased visibility will help contribute to changing social norms, and ultimately \*^ more resources and improved public policies.



#### Our toolkit includes:

#### Examples:

- Free & downloadable materials
- Graphics, posters & signs
- · Organizing guides
- · Resources & handouts
- · Research and case studies

## Utilizing the NO MORE Toolkit

Host a photo challenge in your community to challenge victim blaming and stand in solidarity with survivors!

Add your logo to NO MORE's co-brandable sign and invite your supporters to customize the sign and take a photo with it



# Utilizing the NO MORE Toolkit

# Create a 'NO MORE Day' in honor of Domestic Violence Awareness Month (October)!

- Contact your Mayor, City Council, or County Board of Supervisors to get a Mayor's proclamation
- Use NO MORE's Guide to Requesting a Mayoral Proclamation

   the guide is for NO MORE Week but can easily be adapted
   for Domestic Violence Awareness Month!

# Utilizing the NO MORE Toolkit

Using graphics from the Toolkit, incorporate the symbol into your existing plans to show solidarity.

There are many tools to help you spread the word in NO MORE's free toolkit.



# Utilizing the NO MORE Toolkit

- Table in your community and sell purple NO MORE tshirts and NO MORE donuts to raise funds!
- Need ideas for a t-shirt? Use our vendor, TVP Industries (don@tvpindustries.com) or use your own (be sure to share the NO MORE style, usage and cobranding guidelines in the toolkit with your vendor).
- You could partner with a local business to offer a discount to people wearing the t-shirt throughout of the month of October!





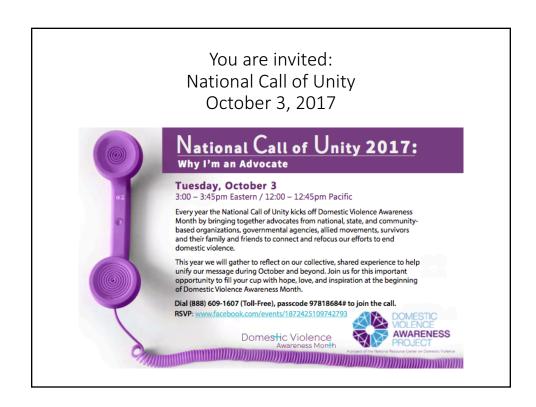
## **Next Steps**

 Download our Toolkit: <a href="https://nomore.org/take-">https://nomore.org/take-</a> <a href="https://nomore.org/take-">/take-</a> <a href="https://nomore.org/take-">action/toolkit/</a>



• Take the NO MORE Pledge: https://nomore.org/take-action/pledge/

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The National Resource Center on Domestic Violence (<a href="www.nrcdv.org">www.nrcdv.org</a>) provides a wide range of free, comprehensive, and individualized technical assistance, training, and specialized resource materials. You can access our publications online from the National Online Resource Center on Violence Against Women (<a href="VAWnet">VAWnet</a>).

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