

VICTIMS ASSISTANCE CENTER

Newsletter



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SPRING/SUMMER 2023

The Victims Assistance Center provides free services to all individuals in our community who are impacted by violence or crime through advocacy, education and emotional support.



If you, or someone you know, is in need of immediate assistance, please call our 24/7 Hotline
(315) 782-1855



SAVE THE DATE

Witches Gala

10.14.23

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SPONSORSHIP

OPPORTUNITIES

The Victims Assistance Center provides service to all individuals in our community who are impacted by violence or crime through advocacy, education, and emotional support. Our agency is 96% grant funded and our budgets have been impacted immensely. The services our agency provides are completely free of charge to ALL victims of crime, and we are hopeful that we can continue this. We are optimistic that we will raise more than ever for the individuals and families seeking our services. A lot of them have been through the worst times of their lives.

In 2023 we have hosted the Night of Heroes -Masquerade Ball in awareness of child abuse honoring a member of the Multidisciplinary Team who has gone above and beyond for children in our communities. October 14, 2023 we will be hosting the Witches Gala, it will be our second annual - this event is geared towards raising awareness of Domestic Violence and the impact it has on the families and our community. We also hold various fundraisers, educational conferences, and events throughout the year, which will feature and spotlight our sponsors.

We are hoping you will consider becoming one of our sponsors for our 2023 events. Your tax-deductible donation means the world to us!

If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, please contact:
Kristin Proven
Development Director
kristinp@vacjc.com
(315) 755-1434

Masquerade Ball

We held our SOLD OUT Annual Night of Heroes - Masquerade Ball April 1st, 2023 at the 1000 Islands Harbor Hotel in Clayton.

Thank you to all of our sponsors, silent auction donors, bidders and all of the amazing people who attended our event. We raised a total of \$21,559.54 for children facing abuse in Jefferson, St. Lawrence & Lewis Counties.

We could not have done it without the support of our great communities.



2ND ANNUAL OPENING CLOSED DOORS CONFERENCE

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19
HILTON GARDEN INN,
WATERTOWN

8:00AM -
4:30PM



Keynote Speaker:
DR. JODI MULLEN,
PHD, LMHC, RPT-S
Integrative Counseling



Keynote Speaker:
DR. GRAHAM HILL
British Criminologist

What to expect:

- Full day of speakers
- Break out sessions



WE



OUR

VOLUNTEERS



Interested in
volunteering
with us?

CONTACT OUR VOLUNTEER
COORDINATOR, DESTINY
DESTINYW@VACJC.COM
(315) 755-1432



the difference

PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT - THERAPY PROGRAM

The Victims Assistance Center has a fully staffed Therapy Program that reaches the tri-county region. We have a LCSW, LMSW and 2 LMHCs, as well as master's level interns. Our therapists are fully versed on the impact of trauma, trauma treatment and have the flexibility of meeting the client where they are, without the restrictions of insurance dictating length of treatment. Our therapists are trained in TF-CBT, EMDR, and Child Centered-Play Therapy while also being gully versed in general CBT, mindfulness and crisis intervention. We offer individual therapy, parent/child sessions and family sessions as appropriate. There is also a psychoeducational intervention for very young children to teach about safe people, touches and body boundaries. In addition to our individual therapeutic interventions we offer a variety of groups. We have a Domestic Violence/ Sexual Assault adult group that meets every other Tuesday at 4:45pm, a group held weekly specifically for those utilizing our safe shelter, an adolescent expressive arts group held weekly on Thursdays, and a non-structured caregiver support group held monthly on the 4th Friday of each month at 8:30. We also have a Non-Offending Caregivers Educational Support Group that we run a couple times a year.

If you would like more information on how to access our therapy services or would like to know more, please contact our Clinical Director, Chelsea Moore at chelseab@vacjc.com.

CREATING POSSIBILITIES TOGETHER

100 PEOPLE RAISING \$1,000 EACH
TO SUPPORT SURVIVORS OF CRIME.

Contact
Development
Director, Kristin
Proven for more
information or to
make your pledge!
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PINWHEELS TO PREVENT CHILD ABUSE

THE CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER OF NNY - A PROGRAM OF THE VICTIMS
ASSISTANCE CENTER OF JEFFERSON COUNTY



THANK YOU FOR PURCHASING A
GARDEN OF HOPE

"The Dealing Girls"



St. Lawrence County DSS

Kathleen McGuire Pierce

Lewis County Opportunities

House of Good Shepherd

Karleen Witham

Tom & Irene Carman

DownTown Julie Brown



UPCOMING DATES OUR OFFICES ARE CLOSED:

6/19

Juneteenth

7/3 & 7/4

Independence Day

9/4

Labor Day



Office Hours:
Monday - Friday
8am - 4:30 p.m.
(315) 782-1823

WHAT DOES MY DONATION SUPPORT?



Your donation supports the direct services, support and needs of survivors of domestic violence, child abuse, and sexual assault.

Our trauma informed approach includes advocacy, training & direct support of local programs, public awareness, state-wide prevention and education.



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Let it go.*

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**FAMILY FUN
FOR ALL
AGES!**



Family Safety Night



**FREE EVENT FOR ALL
COMMUNITY MEMBERS**

Activities:

- Bike Rodeo
- Military Vehicles
- Local EMS
- Law Enforcement
- Local Fire Depts.
- Dunk Tank
- Concessions
- Giveaways!



**TUESDAY,
JULY 25
4:00 - 8:00 PM**

**AT SOUTH JEFFERSON
HIGH SCHOOL -
11060 US RTE. 11,
ADAMS NY 13605**

**FIRST 200 KIDS
GET
A FREE BIKE
HELMET!**



**FOR MORE
INFORMATION,
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**ALL COMMUNITIES WELCOME
THANK YOU, SOUTH JEFF CSD
FOR HOSTING!**

**Pre-Sale
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***CASH, CHECK & CARD PAYMENTS
ACCEPTED***

**CHECKS MAY BE MADE PAYABLE TO
VICTIMS ASSISTANCE CENTER**

A PORTION OF THE PROCEEDS WILL GO TO THE VICTIMS ASSISTANCE CENTER

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