

AUGUST 2024

VICTIMS ASSISTANCE CENTER

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: AMY GRANT-QUONCE

August can bring about some mixed feelings. Summer starts to wind down and for kids, the excitement and nerves about a new school year start to set in. Some children look forward to their return to school, the new classroom, the fall sports season, and seeing friends they haven't seen all summer. There may be worries about having to use a locker for the first time, how much homework their teacher will assign, and who they'll sit with for lunch. As an adult, I can still recall all of those emotions and feelings.

For a child living in a home with domestic violence, school can bring about new challenges and behaviors. It is estimated that 1 in 15 children are exposed to domestic violence every year. If you put that in perspective of an average size elementary class in our area, that means 1-2 children per class are being exposed to domestic violence at home. Research has shown that witnessing acts of domestic violence can be as harmful to children as direct abuse to themselves. The children may suffer from depression, anxiety, isolation or feelings of guilt. Some children may act-out aggressively toward other children, have poor school attendance, failing grades, or have trouble forming close friendships. Even stretching beyond their school years, children who witness domestic violence can endure lifelong effects of the trauma.

Stopping domestic violence starts at home. If you, or a loved one, are living in an unsafe home please reach out today. We are here for you. 315-782-1855

WE'RE HIRING!

APPLY ONLINE:

vacjc.com/about-us/employment/



**Family
Safety
Night**

**THURSDAY,
AUGUST 8, 2024
4:00 - 7:00PM**

**SOUTH JEFFERSON
WILSON ELEMENTARY
13180 US RTE. 11,
ADAMS CENTER NY 13606**

RESCHEDULED DATE

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SouthJefferson

**Office Hours:
Monday- Friday
8am-4:30pm
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AMY GRANT-QUONCE**

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CREATING POSSIBILITIES TOGETHER



COMMUNITY MEMBERS RAISING \$100
TO SUPPORT SURVIVORS OF CRIME.

YOUR \$100 COULD HELP WITH:

- A SPECIALIZED THERAPY SESSION FOR A CHILD
- NEW BEDDING FOR CLIENTS LEAVING SHELTER
- A SPECIALIZED MEDICAL EXAM FOR A CHILD AFTER A SEXUAL ABUSE ALLEGATION
- EMERGENCY PHONES FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CLIENTS
- TRANSPORTATION FOR SURVIVORS OF CRIME
- FOOD, GIFT CARDS, NECESSITIES FOR CLIENTS LEAVING ABUSIVE SITUATIONS



UPCOMING EVENTS

SAVE THE DATES!

FAMILY SAFETY NIGHT
THURSDAY AUG. 8TH, 2024
SOUTH JEFFERSON CSD

**LIGHT UP THE NIGHT
AGAINST CHILD ABUSE
FUN RUN/WALK**

CREATE YOUR PLEDGE → 
FRIDAY, SEPT. 13, 2024
JEFFERSON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

**OPENING CLOSED DOORS
CONFERENCE**
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2024
HILTON GARDEN INN, WATERTOWN

**ST LAWRENCE COUNTY
CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT**
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2024
SEAWAY HONEY HOLES, RENSSELAER FALLS

TAKE BACK THE NIGHT
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2024
JEFFERSON COMMUNITY COLLEGE
*STAND IN SOLIDARITY WITH SURVIVORS OF
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE*

**3RD ANNUAL
WITCHES GALA**
SAT. OCTOBER 26, 2024 
FAICHNEY DRIVE BUSINESS COMPLEX
In awareness of domestic violence

FOR MORE INFORMATION,
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AUGUST EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH



JENNIFER

Jefferson Community College
Campus Advocate

**LIGHT UP THE
Night
AGAINST CHILD ABUSE**

*Friday,
September 13*

FUN RUN/WALK

REGISTRATION & FUN STARTS AT 6:30PM
JEFFERSON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

BENEFITING THE CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER OF NNY
A PROGRAM OF THE VICTIMS ASSISTANCE CENTER