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Support Survivors Like Geo This Domestic Violence Awareness Month

West Jordan, Utah — October 1, 2024—South Valley Services (SVS), a local 501(c)(3) organization providing shelter and supportive services for domestic violence and sexual assault survivors, is recognizing **Domestic Violence Awareness Month** and bringing awareness to their shelters and resource centers in the in Salt Lake and Tooele Counties.

1 in 3 women and 1 in 4 of men experience intimate partner physical violence, intimate partner sexual violence, and or intimate partner stalking in their lifetimes, it deserves community interest.

To help bring awareness to Domestic Violence, South Valley Services is inviting the community to get involved in the many community events we are hosting and participating in this month:

Sporting for Hope (Sandy)- Get Involved and Make a Difference! Meet Sandy City Police Advocates. Learn about community resources and how to support survivors. Free children's fingerprinting. Donate to Local Domestic Violence Shelters, including SVS.

- Friday, October 4th, 9 AM
- Crescent Park

<u>**Paint the Town Purple (Tooele,UT)</u>** - In honor of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, we invite you to Join us in honoring survivors, victims, and those who have lost their lives to Domestic Violence.</u>

- Friday, October 11, 2024, 5-7 PM
- Pratt Aquatic Center Tooele City Park, 200 West Vine Street, Tooele, UT 84074

Purple Thursday (virtual) - South Valley Services is proud to participate in Purple Thursday this year, a day dedicated to raising awareness about domestic violence. We invite everyone to wear purple, the color symbolizing support for survivors, and share your photos on social media.

- Thursday, October 17, Virtual
- Post with the hashtag #PurpleThursday and tag us @svs_utah, to help spread awareness and encourage conversations about the importance of supporting those affected by domestic violence.



Trusted Voices: Empowering Adults in Supporting Youth (Virtual)- Tailored training for teachers, parents, and all trusted adults who support teens in building healthy relationships and recognizing signs of abuse.

- Friday, October 22, 2024, 4-5:30 PM
- Virtual event, join via Zoom or social livestream

Voces del Alma: A Día de los Muertos Gathering for DV Awareness (SLC)- A heartfelt community event dedicated to honoring and supporting those affected by domestic violence. This unique gathering brings together the cultural traditions of Día de los Muertos with vital educational workshops aimed at empowering our Latinx/Hispanic community.

- Saturday, October 26, 2024, 1-5PM
- Robert G. Sanderson Community Center of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

From Storms to Sunshine (SLC)- The path out of any storm can be overwhelming and lonely. When someone is struggling to find the path to hope and new beginnings, others who have been there before can shine light and be the community that shares the journey. Discover how five women forged their paths to freedom and now work to provide that same joy to others, spreading the sunshine.

- Monday, October 28, 2024, 7-9 PM
- Cucina Toscana, 282 South 300 West

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About South Valley Services

South Valley Services (SVS) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that has served the local community since 1998. South Valley Services is a survivor-centered organization where individuals impacted by domestic abuse and sexual violence can realize their own strength, courage, and resilience while on their path to an empowered future. For more information, please visit our website at www.svsutah.org