

All of October!

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Center 411 South Broadway
Albert Lea, MN
507-377-5460 Mon-Fri 8am-5pm*



- WRAP Purple Porchlight Project and We Remember Memorial

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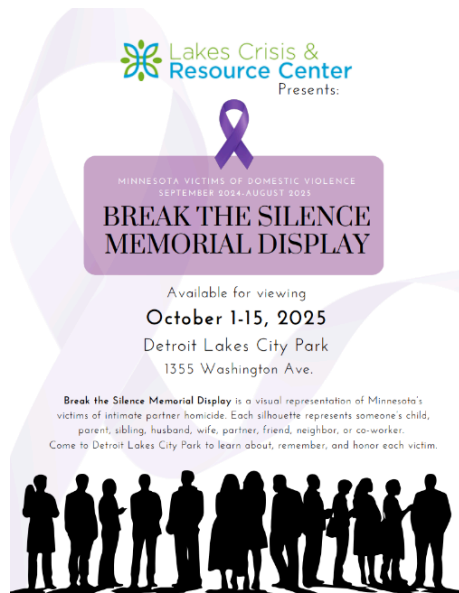
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- **Lakes Crisis and Resource Center Break the Silence Memorial Display (October 1-15) at Detroit Lakes City Park**



October 1st

- Freeborn County Crime Victims Crisis Center 9th Annual Paint the Town Purple Distribution Day from 11am-1pm at the Freeborn County Government Center lawn

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in front of courthouse

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October 2nd

- **Family Pathways Awareness and Empowerment Dinner at 5pm at Splitrocks Entertainment Center in Wyoming, MN**

A purple poster with a gold border. At the top is the 'FAMILY PATHWAYS' logo, which consists of a stylized 'F' made of three curved lines above the words 'FAMILY' and 'PATHWAYS'. Below the logo, it says 'PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR'. The main title 'AWARENESS & EMPOWERMENT DINNER' is in large, bold, white capital letters, with a purple ribbon icon replacing the 'O' in 'EMPOWERMENT'. Below the title, it says 'Thursday | October 2nd | 5pm' and 'Splitrocks Entertainment Center, 5063 273rd St, Wyoming, MN 55092'. A section titled 'At this special dinner event, you'll have the chance to:' lists four bullet points. At the bottom left is a QR code, and at the bottom right is the text 'Secure Your Spot' followed by 'Tickets Available Online at https://AED25.givesmart.com'.

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October 4th

- [Agape Oasis 6th Annual Awareness Walk at 8:30am along West River Road in Minneapolis](#)



October 7th

- Violence Prevention Center Community Candlelight Vigil at 5:30pm for all of Cook County, MN at Studio 21/21 W Hwy 61



October 8th

- Division of Indian Work Take Back the Night Event from 5-7pm in DIW's front parking lot



The poster is for a "Take Back the Night!" event. It features a purple background with a white central area. At the top, there are two logos: "FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION" with a bear illustration and "DIVISION OF INDIAN WORK" with a Native American headdress illustration. The main title "Take Back the Night!" is in large, purple, serif font. Below it, a white box with a purple border contains the text "Help us bring awareness and hold space for those who have been impacted by Domestic Violence" and a list of activities: "Resources for community", "Food Provided", "Commemoration mural", and "Healing song and dance". The date "October 8th 2025" and time "5-7pm" are listed below the box. The location "DIW's Front Parking Lot, 1001 E Lake St. Minneapolis, MN" and contact email "hengstrom@diw-mn.org" are at the bottom.

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October 11

- **Fiercely Embraced and Sexual Abuse Warriors Empower and Rise event from 1-4:30pm at Minneapolis Central Library**



**FIERCELY EMBRACED &
SEXUAL ABUSE
WARRIORS PRESENTS**

EMPOWER & RISE



About Empower & Rise
 Join us for an empowering afternoon of education & awareness. Together, we will
 Explore the realities of domestic violence & post-separation abuse
 Understand the impact of trauma on survivors & children
 Learn how communities can stand united to create safety & healing
In recognition of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, we ask all guests to please wear purple as a symbol of hope & solidarity.

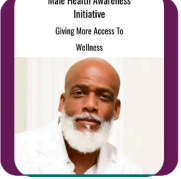
Saturday, October 11, 2025
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 Minneapolis Central Public Library – Downtown



Poibab Vue
Trauma Therapist



**Dr. Madeleine Gagnon,
MD**
Bridge Health Consulting



Mr. Clayton
Male Health Awareness Initiative (MHAi)



Rachael Howitz
Our Family Wizard



Jandeltha Rae
Poet Storyteller



KATE WANZALA
LADC -PRE
LICENSED
MENTAL HEALTH
CLINICIAN



Priscilla Caballero
Housing
Specialist/
DV Advocate

Zak Chesson - Hennepin County Family Mediation & Evaluation
 Kate Stevens - Hennepin County Family Mediation & Evaluation
 Special Guest to speak about lived Childhood Trauma
 Special Guest Speaker Will be announced at the Event

Tickets Available Now on Eventbrite
Learn more - [FiercelyEmbraced.org](https://fiercelyembraced.org)

October 14th

- **Someplace Safe and UCAN Take A Stand Against Domestic Violence event at 5pm at Church of St. Mary in Alexandria**



October 15th

- **Someplace Safe and UCAN 25th Annual Domestic Abuse Awareness Luncheon at 11:30am at the Broadway Ballroom Event Center in Alexandria**



- **Freeborn County Crime Victims Crisis Center Domestic Violence Awareness Walk at 5pm at Central Park in Albert Lea**

Domestic Violence Awareness Walk

Step Forward. Speak Out. Stand Together.

Join us as we walk in solidarity to raise awareness about domestic violence and show unwavering support for survivors in our community.

Freeborn County



Date: 10/15 meet at 5pm leave 5:15pm

Location: Central Park and walk to New Denmark Park

All Are Welcome!

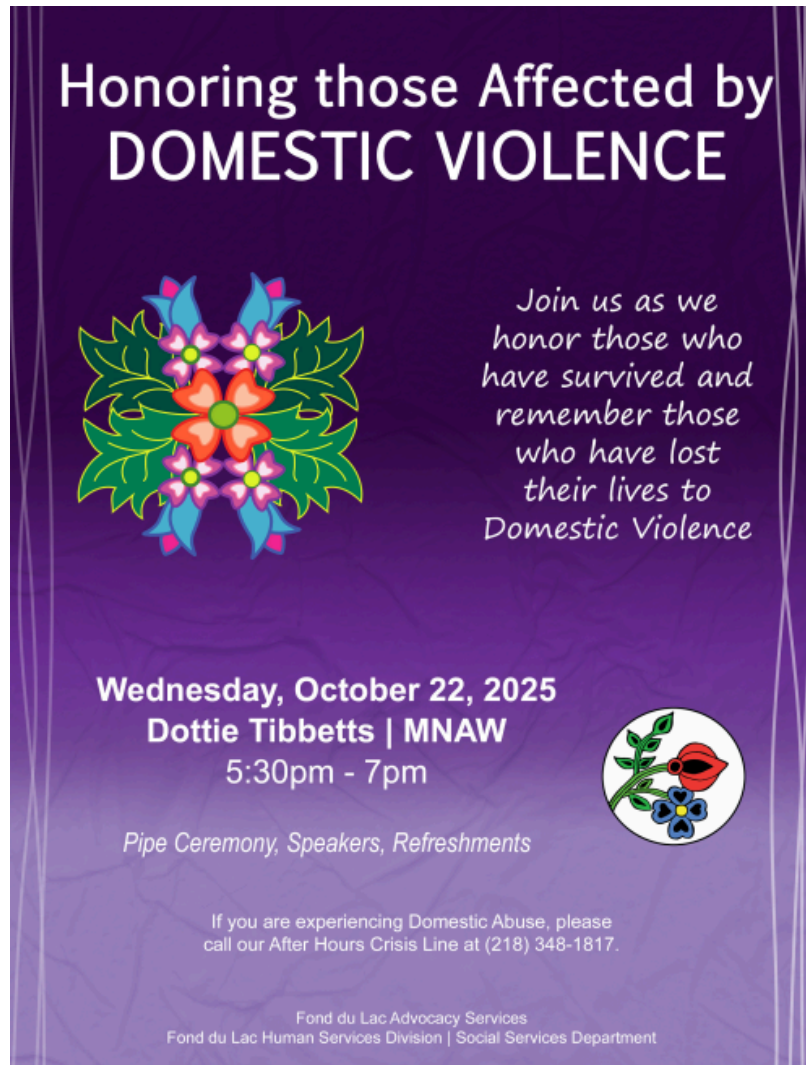
Free purple t-shirts available while supplies last, wear Purple to show support for survivors

Hosted by: Freeborn County Crime Victims Crisis Center – Committed to Awareness, Safety, and Support.

Together, we walk toward a world free from violence

October 22nd

- **Fond du Lac Advocacy Services 2025 Domestic Violence Vigil from 5:30-7pm at MNAW In Cloquet**



The poster is purple with white text and features several decorative elements. At the top, the title 'Honoring those Affected by DOMESTIC VIOLENCE' is written in a large, bold, sans-serif font. Below the title on the left is a colorful, symmetrical floral design with green leaves, blue and pink flowers, and a central orange flower. To the right of this design is a quote in a cursive font: 'Join us as we honor those who have survived and remember those who have lost their lives to Domestic Violence'. Below the quote, the date and location are listed: 'Wednesday, October 22, 2025', 'Dottie Tibbetts | MNAW', and '5:30pm - 7pm'. To the right of this text is a circular logo featuring a red flower, a blue flower, and a green leaf. Below the date and location, the text 'Pipe Ceremony, Speakers, Refreshments' is written in a cursive font. At the bottom, a small line of text reads: 'If you are experiencing Domestic Abuse, please call our After Hours Crisis Line at (218) 348-1817.' The very bottom of the poster contains the text: 'Fond du Lac Advocacy Services' and 'Fond du Lac Human Services Division | Social Services Department'.

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October 23rd

- **WRAP Bids Against Abuse Auction from 5-8pm in Redwood Falls**



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WoMen's Rural Advocacy Programs, Inc.  **2025 #DVAM EVENTS**

Join Us in Taking a Stand for Survivors!

All month long, we invite you to help create a Pathway to Hope and Safety in our communities. Here's what's happening across our four-county region (Lincoln, Lyon, Redwood, and Yellow Medicine Counties):

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BIDS AGAINST ABUSE LIVE EVENT & ONLINE AUCTION

6th Annual Live Event & Online Auction
Thursday, October 23 | 5:00-8:00 PM
Redwood Area Community Center in Redwood Falls

Join us for an evening of honoring survivors, remember those we lost, and raising awareness. **Can't make it to the event and still want to participate in the online auction?** You can do that! Bidding runs from Oct. 16th - 23rd. Visit <https://www.32auctions.com/6thAnnualBidsAgainstAbuse>

Tickets available at www.32auctions.com/6thAnnualBidsAgainstAbuse/
We're seeking sponsors, auction donations, and volunteers!

OUR GOAL: RAISE \$25,000 IN OCTOBER!
Help us meet this goal so we can continue offering advocacy, housing, and prevention programs in our rural communities.

LEARN MORE ABOUT ANY OF THE ABOVE EVENTS & GET INVOLVED
www.letswrap.com → Click "Events" → Click "Bids Against Abuse"
Contact: Brooklyn@letswrap.com | 507-828-6086



- **HOPE Coalition 35th Anniversary Gala from 5:30-8:30pm at the St. James Hotel in Red Wing**



HOPE Coalition
35th anniversary gala

Join us as we honor 35 years of impact in the community and support the continued work of HOPE Coalition.

October 23rd, 2025
St. James Hotel, Summit Room
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*Silent Auction, Buffet-style Dinner,
Legacy Awards, Raffle Games & more!*



October 28th

- Women's Advocates ["Create with Us" DVAM event](#) at the Minnesota Museum of American Art from 6-9pm

