



SURVIVORS INC

30 Years and Counting

A proud member of the *Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence*, the *Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape*, and the *National Coalition Against Domestic Violence*.

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All of our Founding
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Thoughts from the CEO

April is an exciting month for us at Survivors, Inc.! April is Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month, which we actively commemorate with our dedicated community partners - please see the related article for a listing of events. The theme for this year is an apt one... "We're talking about it." We also move forward in that spirit to participate in two other campaigns in April that directly relate to our Vision and our Mission; National Child Abuse Prevention Month and National Crime Victims' Rights Week (which is the week of April 21-27, 2013).

With all these recognized events, we are continuing to focus on social change. We are continuing to focus on empowering those in our communities, and everywhere, to recognize that the best prevention is to ensure that not another person- whether that be a child, a woman, a man- be victimized. This approach also dovetails neatly into Survivors, Inc.'s vision of ending domestic violence and sexual assault. We need each person to actively participate. To work with us to learn what you can do as a bystander, a parent, a relative, a loved one, a friend; to help 'reset' our culture.

Many outrages and obstacles have happened since our last bi-annual newsletter... The Sandusky trial and sentencing that has brought many survivors of childhood sexual assault into care at Rape Crisis Centers like ours statewide... The Steubenville, Ohio, rape that plunged a small town into the national news,



and more disturbingly, focused a spotlight on the rape culture, silence, and victim blaming that continues to exist there, and worldwide... Sandy Hook... The murder of Reeva Steenkamp by Oscar Pistorius in South Africa, and his subsequent bail... The rapes (and deaths) in India of women riding public transportation... Some of the simply mind-bogglingly incorrect and victim blaming statements of public officials, legislators, and public figures...

The failure of the previous Congress to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act, allowing this essential piece of legislation to die for the first time since 1994. VAWA provides resources to ensure that communities have adequate resources, training, and protocols/ best practices to ensure the investigation of these crimes, prosecution of the perpetrators, and support of victims- including those who are most vulnerable. The Sequester that was allowed to happen... that will impact many, many essential services, including domestic violence and sexual assault services. Locally, STOP funding was decreased to victim services providers by over \$17,000, and VOCA was decreased to the County by over \$9,000 a year, and Survivors, Inc. took an additional 10% (\$10,000) cut per year above that. This is in addition to the nearly \$50,000 in cuts Survivors, Inc. sustained from state and federal sources for FY 2012-2013. The list goes on and on. Like we said at the first 'One Billion Rising' and Gettysburg College's Vagina *Continued on pg 2*

THOUGHTS FROM THE CEO *from pg 1*

Monologues this year... WE ARE OVER IT!

It is tempting to shrug one's shoulders and wonder – with a problem as prevalent as this, what can I do?

The short answer... Plenty! It will take each person to commit to being active and engaged. To partner with those who have made it their missions, like Survivors, Inc., to combat sexual and domestic violence... To end it. Contained within this mailing are exciting ways to learn about protecting our children from being groomed by predators and sexually assaulted such as the 'Where We Live' Program that we are offering through the generosity of the Hanover Exchange Club and the Financial Consulate. We strongly feel that we should be able to work to protect our children, not put the responsibility on the child... or any victim. Call our Community Education Department to find out more about SAAM events- and join us at them. Call us to learn about prevention activities, trainings, professional in-services, and expertise/materials we can provide. Call our hotline to get information on how to help someone you suspect is being harmed through domestic or sexual assault. Call us if you are experiencing domestic violence or sexual assault yourself. Sign up to volunteer for Survivors, Inc.

And finally, join us on April 26, 2013 at the Eisenhower Hotel and Conference Center. Last 30, Next 30... Survivors' First 30 and Counting is an opportunity for you to partner with us as we work to end interpersonal violence in the next 30 years. You will have the opportunity to learn about our plans (like adding holistic legal representation/attorney services, adding a scattered site Transitional Program), and some of the exciting programs we are working on currently (such as the Texting Outreach Line).

We can make a difference. One person at a time. Will you join us? ♥

Celebrating Service

National Volunteer Week, April 21-27, is about taking action and encouraging individuals and their respective communities to be at the center of social change – discovering and actively demonstrating their collective power to foster positive transformation.

Survivors, Inc. joins our community partners in celebrating the selfless service offered by the volunteers who actively contribute to the work we do in our community. As we celebrate our 30 year anniversary as a social change community organization, we look forward to our next 30 years during which time we envision an end to domestic violence and sexual assault in our Adams County community. We will not accomplish this without our dedicated volunteers who partner with us to support our mission and achieve our vision.

We are grateful to those of you who currently volunteer with us and encourage those of you who have thought about doing so to contact us and learn more about the variety of opportunities available to our volunteers. We know that we cannot do this work and serve our community without you.

Please contact Angela Keen Badjie at angela@survivorsservices.org or 717-334-0589 to learn more about volunteer opportunities and how you can get involved.

Volunteer Training Class

In March, we completed our Spring 2013 Volunteer Class. We would like to thank each and every person that dedicated their time and energies to working towards earning their Counselor/Advocate Certificate.

Volunteers with our agency participate in 60-hour training. Survivors, Inc. staff provide this training twice each year – February/March and September/October. The training consists of in-person classes, individual readings, observation/practicum hours and online courses. There is no cost for this training, only the request of your time and commitment for at minimum one year after completing the training.

Fall 2013 training will be held at Gettysburg College starting in September. Partner with us to make our vision – an end to domestic violence and sexual assault – reality. Contact Angela Keen Badjie at angela@survivorsservices.org or 717-334-0589 for more information or complete an application online at www.adamscountysurvivors.com, and click on the Survivors' Volunteer Link.

Please keep an eye on our social networking pages and our website for more details.

Internships *A True In-Kind Collaboration*

Survivors, Inc. would like to offer special thank you to the Women Studies Department at Gettysburg College and Dr. Jan Powers for allowing Survivors, Inc. to participate as a site for internships.

We are honored to have: **Paige I. Ruland** who is working with us as our In-Kind Volunteer Coordinator and **Kaleigh E. Sosa** who is responsible for assisting us develop a Social Networking Communication Plan.

Community Education: WHERE WE LIVE

Where We Live is an innovative program to stop Child Sexual Abuse. For years, all of us in victim and community education were doing it wrong. We were placing the focus in places- such as schools and programs- that served children. Those collaborations are essential and absolutely should continue, but we were missing critical people in the child's life... The parents. We were focused on identifying abuse after it occurred, training the child to protect themselves ("no, go, tell" and other similar programs) and how to respond after the abuse happened and was disclosed by the child.

But in 2010-2011, a new way to mobilize adults to protect children was introduced, and the approach resonated with us. The Sandusky child sexual abuse scandal had raised awareness of predators and of how they not only 'groom' the children they intend to victimize, but also everyone else around that child... *Where We Live* gives those who parent children the skills that, we believe, can prevent abuse. *Where We Live* is a primary prevention initiative that strives to not only raise parents' awareness, but also to build their skill for proactive behaviors. Developing varied strategies and skills like identifying potential perpetrators, recognizing the behaviors that comprise the perpetrator's grooming process, and having the ability to stop the invasion of children's personal space by adults. Being able to work with their child to set the child's boundaries while empowering him or her to say no to touch, hugs, or other contact. All while the adult parenting the child is able to discuss with other adults what is appropriate in their interaction with their child, or any child. The persons completing this program will have the ability to question an adult concerning their interaction with children in an assertive and nonthreatening manner, and all while promoting that every adult has a responsibility to protect and intervene on behalf of any child- making the child's community a safer environment.

Survivors, Inc. is offering *Where We Live* in a four-session educational/skill-building format designed to: Give opportunities to refresh or bolster previously learned skills, to use varied learning methods and styles, has take-home/applied components that can be taken home/shared with family members and members of their communities, and opportunities to put the skills into practice during the workshops and beyond.

We are able to offer this program through the generosity of the Hanover Exchange Club, and also through the support of the Financial Consulate. We could not do this without them.

To learn more about *Where We Live*, give Angela Keen Badjie or Terri L. Hamrick a call at 717-334-0589. We can end Child Sexual Abuse... with your support and participation. Join us!

Day of Transformation

One of our founding mothers, Jennifer Weaver, who was an advocate in the truest sense, was taken from her family, friends and community too soon. Jennifer was the former Executive Director of the YWCA Gettysburg & Adams County and more recently, Dean of the HACC-Gettysburg Campus. Her daughter, Brooke Barrett, honoring her mother's philanthropic spirit, collaborated with many local organizations, including Survivors, Inc. to present a Day of Transformation for women March 11, 2013, from 1pm to 7 p.m. at HACC-Gettysburg.

Women that participated in this event received free career clothing and accessories, hair and makeup tips, advice on resume writing and interviewing, and more. Donations of professional and business casual women's clothing, handbags, shoes, jewelry and accessories were accepted from the community in preparation for this event. We are grateful to the planning committee, Ms. Barrett, and all those who donated and volunteered to ensure this event was a success.



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Last 30, Next 30 Commemoration

On April 26, 2013 from 5pm-7pm, Survivors, Inc. will commemorate 30 years of providing sexual assault, stalking and domestic violence services for the community. This event will take place at the Eisenhower Hotel and Conference Center. Join us as we celebrate our successes, and we share opportunities for everyone to join in our plans to end domestic violence, dating violence, stalking and sexual assault in the next 30 years. There will be unique items for a silent auction and a limited live auction with a featured item... stay informed by liking us on Facebook!

Dinner is provided, and while a donation of \$20 would be appreciated, there is no fee to attend this event.

For more information about the event or partnership/sponsor opportunities, or to make a reservation, please call 717-334-0589. Seats are limited, so call early!



A special *Thank You* to:

Adams County Community Foundation *Holiday Shopping Spree and Video*

A special thank you to the Adams County Community Foundation, President Barbara Ernico, the event sponsors and donors, and the planning committee. This was the second year for the Holiday Shopping Spree, an event modeled on the concept of the Heifer International and Oxfam, and Survivors, Inc. was once again honored to be part of such a successful event! If you missed the event but would still like a Gift Book, please contact the



Foundation at 337-0060. You can give the gift that honors the person with philanthropy to their favorite charity all

year long.

In addition to the donations we received that night, and meeting new folks, each participating agency was able to film an ad spot. You can view ours at: <http://vimeo.com/53457277>

We are grateful to the Adams County Community Foundation, the Thomas L. Cline Foundation, Community Media, Fred Snyder, and all the staff and actors that made our video possible.

One Billion Rising *Gettysburg College*

There are roughly 7 billion people on this planet today. When you consider that approximately ½ are women, and one out of three will be raped or beaten in her lifetime... that is over one billion women.

That is an ATROCITY.



On Valentine's Day 2013, Gettysburg College hosted the first annual One Billion Rising, a worldwide dance strike



event. On V-Day's 15th Anniversary, over 200 students and faculty gathered in the Café Junction. Fourteen years ago when Eve Ensler and the V-Day foundation began- they had the "outrageous idea that we could end the violence against women. And though there have been many victories over the years, violence against women and girls is still prevalent."

One Billion Rising was describes as an appreciation, amplification, and an

escalation. We rose with a purpose that day- to show the world we want to end the violence against women and girls. It is a call to men and women to refuse to participate in the status quo until rape and rape culture ends.

Survivors, Inc. would like to thank Gettysburg College, the Women's Center, Dr. Stephanie Sellers, Kara VanBlargan (our organizer) and all that participated, attended, danced, and worked to make One Billion Rising a success!

To learn more, visit <http://onebillionrising.org>. You can view the official One Billion Rising video here: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g12AO-7Vlzk>

Trigger warning - this video can be disturbing and triggering if you have experienced domestic violence, sexual assault, human trafficking or female genital mutilation, or you are close to someone that has.

Vagina Monologues *Gettysburg College*

Survivors, Inc. was honored to participate in, and be the local beneficiary of Gettysburg College's Women's Center Vagina Monologues/ V-Day 2013 activities.

V-Day is a global activist movement to end violence against women and girls. V-Day is a catalyst that promotes creative events to increase awareness, *Continued on pg 5*



raise money, and revitalize the spirit of existing anti-violence organizations. V-Day generates broader attention for the fight to stop violence against women and girls, including rape, battery, incest, female genital mutilation (FGM), and sex slavery.

Through V-Day campaigns, local volunteers and college students produce annual benefit performances of The Vagina Monologues to raise awareness and funds for anti-violence groups within their own communities. In 2012, over 5,800 V-Day benefit events took place



produced by volunteer activists in the U.S. and around the world, educating millions of people about the reality of violence against women and girls. Many thanks to everyone that worked so hard to ensure that the Vagina Monologues were a success. We were surrounded by amazing folks! A big thanks to Gettysburg College and the Women's Center, Dr. Stephanie Sellers, Grace Myers, Emily Zeller, Emily Lindhom and Sarah Fodero, the cast, and the staff and volunteers that participated. To learn more, visit <http://www.vday.org/about> ♥

~~~~ Wish List ~~~~

We would gladly accept:

- Gift cards to Giant or Walmart
- Disinfectant wipes
- Toilet paper
- Paper towels
- Tissues
- Unopened, non-expired, nonperishable food items
- Toiletries (no travel size ones please) such as shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, etc.
- Unopened/new office supplies
- Lightly used or new housewares such as dish sets, glassware, kitchen utensils, pots and pans, silverware, children's plate and utensil sets and (new) baby bottles/sippie-cups
- Like new or gently worn twin-sized linens, sheets or blankets (no stains or holes please)
- Plug in alarm clocks
- New mattress sets- please call first, storage capacity is limited
- Baby clothing, 3T and under, like new, no stains or holes please
- Like new strollers
- Like new/very gently used small kitchen appliances
- Dish soap or laundry soap, stain treatments and softener
- New towels and washcloths
- Tea cups and coffee cups
- Monetary donations
- Your time! Join our group of dedicated volunteers!

We will have to regretfully decline:

- Like new, gently used or used stuffed animals
- Left over items from Garage, Yard, Rummage, Estate or Tag sales
- Expired (or close to expiring food) items
- Hotel or travel sized toiletries
- Used suitcases
- Opened or used toiletries
- Clothing and shoes
- Large appliances
- Sofa beds
- Cribs
- Most furniture
- Decorating items
- Used baby bottles
- Used children's games, toys or puzzles
- Exercise equipment
- Damaged books
- VHS tapes and cassettes
- Used or stained Tupperware-type containers
- Items dropped off outside of acceptance procedures
- Anything that Survivors, Inc. would be expected to pick up
- Used electronics and computer equipment

Please call ahead to make arrangements to donate. The best times are usually weekdays during business hours. If you have a question, please give us a call!

April is **SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH**

The month of April has been designated Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) in the United States. The goal of SAAM is to raise public awareness about sexual violence and to educate communities and individuals on how to prevent sexual violence. Each year since 2001, the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape (PCAR) and the National Sexual Violence Resource Center (NSVRC) have officially observed



IT'S TIME... TO TALK ABOUT IT!
Talk early, talk often. Prevent sexual violence.

April as National Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM). "SAAM is a way to bring all of our community together to begin this essential dialogue. Sexual assault is not just the victims' or the advocates' issue, it impacts everyone. Silence, misinformation and shame often provide the space for rape culture to flourish- but we can make a difference. It is time to stop focusing on the victim and place the accountability where it belongs, with the perpetrator," says Terri Hamrick, President/CEO of Survivors, Inc. "I am tired of talking to folks about how not to be a victim. It is time to talk about how not to victimize someone. It is about developing a foundation of respect in relationships," Terri adds.

The 2013 Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) campaign focuses on healthy sexuality and child sexual abuse prevention. This April, join the conversation; start talking about healthy childhood development to prevent child sexual abuse. This campaign provides tools and information on healthy childhood sexual development for adults to use in approaching our responsibility to protect children.

Adults who learn about healthy childhood sexual development can promote positive characteristics, skills and behaviors in the lives of the children who are important to them. These tools support parents, communities and organizations in identifying risk factors, supporting healthy boundaries and challenging negative messages. These tools help keep our children safe.

Please contact Angela Keen Badjie at 717-334-0589 to join the conversation about child sexual abuse prevention and healthy sexuality to sponsor an educational program for your school or community group.

Calendar of Events

Programs

Tuesday April 2, 2013

Pinwheel Gardens available from Adams County Children's Advocacy Center- each pinwheel represents a child victim of abuse. Help raise awareness! Contact the ACCAC at 717-337-9888



Wednesday April 3, 2013 @ 9am

Sexual Assault Awareness Month & Child Abuse Awareness Month Proclamations

County Commissioners Meeting - Adams County Courthouse – All are welcome to attend!

Thursday April 4, 2013 @ 11am

Sexual Assault Discussion Panel

Gettysburg College
Contact Beth Coutts at Survivors, Inc.
beth@survivorsservices.org or 717-334-9777

Tuesday April 16, 2013

Child Abuse Conference

Contact the ACCAC at 717-337-9888

Wednesday April 17, 2013 @ 9am

Crime Victims' Rights Week Proclamation

County Commissioners Meeting- Adams County Courthouse
All are welcome to attend!

Monday April 21, 2013

Crime Victims' Rights Rally

PA State Capitol, Harrisburg
Contact Cindy Keeney at Adams County Victim Witness Program for more information 717-337-9844

Wednesday April 24, 2013

Denim Day

Gettysburg Merchants/Shops
Contact Beth Coutts
beth@survivorsservices.org or
717-334-9777





Wednesday April 24, 2013 @ 6-8pm
Take Back the Night March and Rally

Streets of Gettysburg
Contact Angela Keen Badjie
angela@survivorsservices.org or 717-334-0589

Friday April 26, 2013 @ 5-7pm
Last 30, Next 30... Survivors' 30 Years & Counting

Eisenhower Hotel and Conference Center
Contact & RSVP to Terri Hamrick
terri@survivorsservices.org or 717-334-0589 ext. 104

Saturday April 27, 2013
YWCA's Race Against Racism

Contact Ashley Andyshack-Hayes
aahayes@ywcagettsburg.org or 717-334-9171 ext. 113

Educational Forums

HACC-Gettysburg
Campus-wide educational program

Date, times, details and registration information to be announced - check www.adamscountysurvivors.com for additional information or contact Angela Keen Badjie at 717-334-0589 or angela@survivorsservices.org

Gettysburg Hospital
Brown Bag Lunch Discussions

Audience: Parents/Adults
Focus/Topic: Healthy Sexuality & Child Sexual Abuse Prevention
Dates, times, details and registration information to be announced- check www.adamscountysurvivors.com for additional information or contact Angela Keen Badjie at 717-334-0589 or angela@survivorsservices.org

Table Events/Displays

Adams County Library SAAM Book Display

Details and title information to be announced- check www.adamscountysurvivors.com for additional information or contact Angela Keen Badjie at 717-334-0589 or angela@survivorsservices.org

First Friday Information Table

Survivors, Inc. & Adams County Victim Witness Program & Adams County Children's Advocacy Center

Tentative date of 4/5/2013
Details and additional information to be announced - check www.adamscountysurvivors.com for additional information or contact Angela Keen Badjie at 717-334-0589 or angela@survivorsservices.org

Local Farmers Market Information Table

Details and additional information to be announced- check www.adamscountysurvivors.com for additional information or contact Angela Keen Badjie at 717-334-0589 or angela@survivorsservices.org

Shoe Project or Clothesline Project at YWCA Month of April

Details and additional information to be announced- check www.adamscountysurvivors.com for additional information or contact Angela Keen Badjie at 717-334-0589 or angela@survivorsservices.org or contact Ashley Andyshack-Hayes at aahayes@ywcagettsburg.org or 717-334-9171 ext. 113



**Wear a
TEAL RIBBON**

(designated as a visual to represent awareness about sexual violence nationwide)

Be ready to "join the conversation" with Survivors, Inc. and our community partners who are talking early and often to prevent sexual violence in our Adams County community. Please contact Angela Keen Badjie at 717-334-0589 to join the conversation and participate in SAAM events scheduled throughout April.



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The Vision of Survivors, Inc.

*An end to domestic violence and
sexual assault.*

The Mission of Survivors, Inc.

*Domestic violence and sexual assault
violate the sanctity and the safety of
our relationships, homes, and
communities. We provide comprehensive
services and advocacy to those seeking
lives free of violence.*

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Please let us know by calling our Administrative Office at 717-334-0589.

Thank you for your help!

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Would you like to donate faster than mailing it in? You can call our Administrative Office at 717-334-0589 extension 102 and we can take your payment right over the phone, or you can visit our website, click on the 'Donate Now' button using JustGive.org.