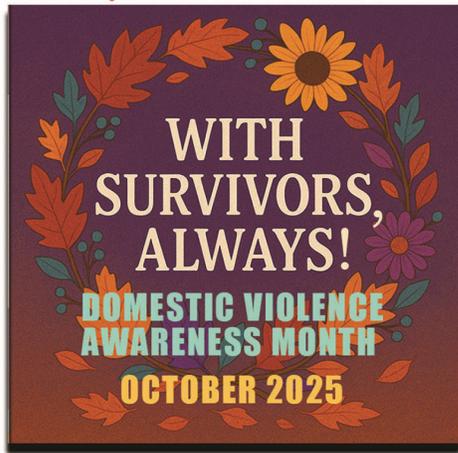


OCTOBER IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH (DVAM)



With Survivors, Always.

Con sobrevivientes. Siempre.

This year's Domestic Violence Awareness Month theme, **With Survivors, Always**, calls us to stand alongside survivors in support, safety, and healing.

How to Participate in DVAM 2025

UPCOMING DVAM EVENTS

- **October 9 | Community Works Domestic violence Awareness Month Event** - Join us at noon in Alba Park, Medford. Hear from voices of those involved in the movement as we stand united to shatter silence and stop violence.
- **October 16 | Ambassadors Gathering** – Meet us at a local vineyard to learn more about domestic violence, ways to support survivors, and connect with others who share this passion.
- **November 1, 2, 15 & 16 | Community Training** – Free public training sessions to deepen your understanding of domestic violence.

HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT SURVIVORS

- Listen without judgment.
- Validate their feelings and remind them it's not their fault.
- Reach out for help for yourself or them. Call our 24/7 HelpLine 541.779.4357
- Learn more by joining us at our events this month.
- Start the conversation with friends and family to shatter the silence.

For more information or to register for any event, please contact us at: 541.779.2393

A Message from Barbara Johnson, Executive Director



Dear Friends,

With survivors, always. This national theme for October's Domestic Violence Awareness Month reminds us and provides an opportunity for us to share one mission: walk alongside survivors. It calls on us to reflect on what that partnership means. Standing with survivors on their path to safety, offering support in moments of need, and showing up with compassion and resolve.

I am inspired daily by the staff and volunteers of Community Works who embody this commitment. They stand with survivors as they strengthen their stability, rebuild their confidence, and reclaim their independence. Together, they support survivors in laying a foundation of resilience and possibility—one strong enough to support safety, healing, and hope for the future.

And our community is with survivors, always. From our Annual Toy Drive to the Eagle Riders Chili Cook-Off to a benefit rock concert, we see time and again how neighbors come together in solidarity. Each event sends a clear message: you are never alone. Because of you, survivors can look back on their journey and see a community cheering them on—lifting them higher than they ever imagined.

This Domestic Violence Awareness Month, to all survivors, we see you, we hear you, and we stand with you - always.

With Gratitude,
Barbara Johnson



A Message from Debbie McQueen, Board Chair

As we enter the fall season, I find myself reflecting on the incredible resilience of survivors and the power of a community that stands beside them. At Community Works, we are united by one message: With Survivors, Always! This may be what our clients at Community Works could be feeling as they are finally able to move away from survival mode and move towards dreaming about their and their children's future.

Having served on the Board of Directors since 2019, I have watched the Community Works leadership and staff, the Board, volunteers and donors all work to carry out the mission of our organization, "Community Works is here to bring HOPE, SUPPORT, and EMPOWERMENT to those impacted by violence." That work changes lives.



By us working together to change lives, our families can now begin to rebuild their lives. They can begin to dream of things like breaking free of constraints, a sense of freedom and empowerment, and finding joy as a child again, thanks to a community that cares and is willing to invest in services that help families along the way. Thank you for standing with survivors. Your help and support matters.

Warmly,
Debbie McQueen

Would you like to become an Ambassador for Community Works?

The Community Works Ambassadors are a dedicated group of volunteers who meet monthly to support our mission and uplift survivors of domestic and sexual violence, stalking, and trafficking. We invite you to join us on October 15th for our next gathering. For more information or RSVP contact:

emcewen@community-works.org





SEXUAL ASSAULT SERVICES

For survivors of sexual assault, the world can feel overwhelming. Community Works is here with compassionate, confidential support. We are here for survivors. We are here in partnership. We are here educating.

HOSPITAL RESPONSE

We are here at hospitals. If you have been sexually assaulted, we respond every hour of every day at hospitals. We provide emotional support, supply fresh clothing and shoes, connect you to our safe shelter, and support you for as long as you need.

STATEWIDE TRAINING

We are here training. We train across the state and right here at home. This summer, our Advocacy Services Director, Erin Martin-Fournier, led a workshop at the statewide Oregon Attorney General’s Sexual Assault Task Force entitled “Come Together – Navigating Confidentiality in Multi-Disciplinary Spaces.” Through education, conversation, and collaboration, we amplify survivors’ voices and work to reduce sexual violence.

CAMPUS SUPPORT

We are here at colleges. Community Works is here for students at Southern Oregon University and Rogue Community College. Our campus advocate, Hannah, is on campuses to listen to you, provide court assistance, support with professors and housing, and navigate school reporting. Hannah is often the only confidential confidante on college campuses where students can disclose what has happened to them without it being reported.

“I wish my job didn't [have to] exist,” Hannah shares. “The constant demand for these services shows just how deeply people are in need.”

You don’t need an appointment to connect with Hannah. She is at SOU on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons in the Dean of Students Office at the Stevenson Union, Room 321. She is at RCC in Medford on Monday and Wednesday afternoons.

**Call or text Hannah at 541.951.3406 or email: hneudorfer@community-works.org.
For immediate assistance, call our 24/7 HelpLine at 541.779.4357.**

If you know someone who has been sexually assaulted, call our 24/7 HelpLine for free, confidential support: **541.779.4357**. Confidential interpreters are available anytime free of charge for over 200 languages.

COMMUNITY WORKS UPCOMING EVENTS



NOV 3 - DEC 15 | 18TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY TOY DRIVE

Join us in spreading holiday joy! Sponsored by Les Schwab Tires and KOBIS, the Toy Drive runs Nov. 3–Dec. 15. All donations stay local, bringing smiles to children in Southern Oregon.



NOVEMBER | ADOPT-A-FAMILY PROGRAM

Make the holidays brighter by adopting a family. You’ll receive their story and a wish list to help families who have survived abuse create new holiday memories. The joy of giving is shared by both donor and receiver.



MAY 9, 2026 | COMMUNITY WORKS GALA

“Winds In The East, Mist Coming In, Something Is Brewin, About to Begin.” Community Works 2026 Gala Save-the-Date and stay tuned for more information coming your way! Sponsorships and tickets available at 541.779.2393 x228 or visit: www.community-Works.org/2026-gala



THANK YOU, Builders Association of Southern Oregon and KOGAP

The BASO Golf Rodeo held September 5th at Stone Ridge Golf Course was a wonderful event for Community Works. We were fortunate to be able to talk to many community business owners and share about the work we do! What a great day meeting so many!



THANK YOU, EAGLE RIDERS!

For four years, the Eagle Riders have lifted up survivors of human trafficking in our community through their annual Poker Chip Ride & Chili Cook-off. Their growing support—tens of thousands raised—shows survivors they are never alone, and we are deeply grateful for their partnership.



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EPIC ERA – ROCK 'N' ROLL UNHINGED
A Benefit Concert for Community Works

Get ready to crank up the volume for a night you'll never forget! **Travis Snyder's EPIC ERA Band**, will light up the stage with the legendary hits that defined the '80s. From electrifying guitar solos to powerhouse vocals, this high-energy show promises to take you straight back to rock's most unforgettable era.

But this night is more than music—it's rock 'n' roll with a mission. Every ticket sold fuels the life-changing work of Community Works, providing survivors of domestic and sexual violence with the safety, healing, and hope they deserve.

Event Details:

- Saturday, November 1, 2025 | 7:00 – 9:30 PM
- Location: Bigham Knoll Campus, Jacksonville, OR
- \$75 per person – All proceeds benefit Community Works
- Sponsorships & Tickets available: **541.779.2393** or **visit: community-works.org/epic-era-concert**

