

# San Francisco Domestic Violence Awareness Month

## Calendar of Events

October, 2014

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(This is a work in progress...please let us know if you have any upcoming events!)

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**Domestic Violence Awareness Month History** - Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM) evolved from the "Day of Unity" in October 1981 conceived by the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence. The intent was to connect advocates across the nation who were working to end violence against women and their children. The Day of Unity soon became an entire week devoted to a range of activities conducted at the local, state, and national levels.

The activities conducted were as varied and diverse as the program sponsors but had common themes: mourning those who have died because of domestic violence, celebrating those who have survived, and connecting those who work to end violence.

In October 1987, the first Domestic Violence Awareness Month was observed. That same year marks the initiation of the first national domestic violence toll-free hotline. In 1989 the U.S. Congress passed Public Law 101-112 designating October of that year as National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Such legislation has passed every year since with NCADV providing key leadership in this effort. Each year, the Day of Unity is celebrated the first Monday of Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

### *Here's what's happening in San Francisco!*

#### **OCTOBER 1<sup>st</sup>**

**AM** - District Attorney George Gascón is inviting you to a press conference to kick off Domestic Violence Awareness month.

*The DA, along with community partners, will unveil an ad to promote awareness of the office's victim services for domestic violence victims and survivors. The ad will be displayed on the inside of Muni buses all over the city for the month of October.*

*The press conference will be held:*

*Wednesday, October 1<sup>st</sup> - 10:30am to 11am □ District Attorney's Office Library □ 850 Bryant Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor □ (please arrive at 10:15am) Please RSVP to [stephanie.ong.stillman@sfgov.org](mailto:stephanie.ong.stillman@sfgov.org)*

**PM** – Please join Mayor Ed Lee, Department on the Status of Women and the San Francisco Domestic Violence Consortium, and many other City Leaders at the 2014 Domestic Violence Awareness Month Launch

"Shine a Light on Domestic Violence"

Celebrating the release of the Final Evaluation of the Justice & Courage Oversight Panel on Domestic Violence Policy Reform in San Francisco

Wednesday, October 1, 2014

6 - 7 p.m.

City Hall, Van Ness Step (please note change from Polk St.)

*DVC reception to follow: 7:00 – 8:00 at Soluna Restaurant ([Beverly@dvcpartners.org](mailto:Beverly@dvcpartners.org) to RSVP)*

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**October 2<sup>nd</sup> - La Casa's "Hot Party" Fundraiser – "Stepping Out Against Domestic Violence"**

Join us on Thursday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> as we roll out the red carpet and **Step Out Against Domestic Violence!** This year's redHOT\* party will kick off National Domestic Violence Awareness Month with an unforgettable cocktail party at 111 Minna Gallery. Wear a dash of red and join us in our mission to upend abuse. The lively evening will feature musical entertainment, delicious hors d'oeuvres, live and silent auctions, and the critical impact of La Casa's intervention and prevention services on the lives of local survivors.

111 Minna

6:00 – 9:00pm

<http://www.lacasa.org/events/2014/redhot-2014/>

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**October 3<sup>rd</sup> - WOMAN Inc, & SFWAR Fundraiser – "Surviving and Thriving"**

Raise your glass, get your groove on and give back in honor of the Phenomenal women in our lives and the courageous survivors who survive and thrive among us!

Lot 21 Studio

933 20<sup>th</sup> St. (A great new space in Dogpatch)

[https://www.facebook.com/events/511827178949516/?ref\\_newsfeed\\_story\\_type=regular](https://www.facebook.com/events/511827178949516/?ref_newsfeed_story_type=regular)

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**October 3<sup>rd</sup> – Mary Elizabeth Inn's 100 Year Anniversary Fundraiser**  
*Changing Women's Lives at the Mark Hopkins Hotel. Please join us!*

<http://www.meinn.org/article.php/gala2>

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**October 9<sup>th</sup>**

DVC Community Meeting – Special Guest, Fabiola Kramsky Gascon

Media tips for advocates!!!

Community United Against Violence

427 SOUTH VAN NESS (BETWEEN 15th & 16th Street)

10:30 – 12:30

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**October 9<sup>th</sup>**

*Please join HBO, Futures Without Violence and the SF DV Consortium for the screening of "Private Violence", a film by Cynthia Hill that explores the lives of two women, advocating for justice and safety and survival.*

**Kabuki Sundance Theater – 6:00 reception / 7:00 screening**

**Please RSVP for this event at:**

**<http://www.homeboxoffice.com/email/PrivateViolence/privateviolencesfvipevite.html>**

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**10.11 – Si Se Puede Event**  
**St. Mary's Cathedral**

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## October 17<sup>th</sup> - APILO 39<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event

St. Mary's Cathedral

*Please join us as we celebrate 39 years of providing vital legal and social services. With your support, we have been able to provide critical services to the most underserved segments of our community since 1975, including:*

- *Those suffering from domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, and sexual assault including women, children, and members of the LGBT community;*
- *Seniors being physically and financially abused;*
- *Youth enduring dating violence and sexual harassment; and*
- *Women and children who are trafficked into slavery.*

<http://www.apilegaloutreach.org/39thAnniversary.html>

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10.18 – Ayesha Louis and Glide will join forces for a day of learning and talking about domestic violence and healthy relationships. (More details to follow)

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Oct. 23 – Brennan Award Dinner / A Benefit for the Riley Center

Please join the St. Vincent de Paul Society of the San Francisco for dinner as we present the The Frank Brennan Award to the 2014 Honorees, Yvonne and Angelo Sangiacomo and Family

Hilton Hotel, Union Sq. - 333 O'Farrell St.

Reception – 6:00

Dinner & Program – 7:00

For more information call: 415 977-1270 x3015

Or click: <http://svdp-sf.org/get-involved/events/2014-brennan-award/>

**Does your organization have an event to add to San Francisco's DV Awareness Month? Just let us know! [Beverly@dvcpartners.org](mailto:Beverly@dvcpartners.org)**