

**WELCOME TO OUR** 

# Fall Newsletter ne're so glad you're here.



## Holiday Toy Drive

The holiday season is just around the corner and The Women's Center of Columbia/Montour Counties is in need of new toys for children who receive services at our center.

Every year we put together a toy drive to collect brand new toys. Local businesses/organizations offer space to host a toy box for collecting on our behalf. The donations we receive from the community make the holidays bright for many children.

If you would like to find out how you can participate or donate, please call (570) 784-6631 for additional information.

## Holiday Meal Help

We are looking for meal help for Thanksgiving and Christmas! Items we are in need of include ham, turkey, potatoes, stuffing, corn, etc. If you would like to find out more information or to donate, please call (570)-784-6631.



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### Volunteers

We are always looking for volunteers to assist with outreach events, clerical work, hotline coverage, and much more! To learn more about our volunteer opportunities and to fill out an application, please visit our volunteer page at <a href="https://www.thewomenscenterinc.org/volunteer-internship-opportunities">https://www.thewomenscenterinc.org/volunteer-internship-opportunities</a>

## **Upcoming Events:**

- October- Domestic Violence Awareness Month
- October 1st to 31st- Lottery Fundraiser
- October 21st- Outfest, Bloomsburg
- November 8th to 12th-Forensic Nurses Week





## We Are Hiring!

- First Shift Shelter Advocate
- Healthcare Outreach Advocate
- Child Outreach Advocate
- 3rd Shift Shelter Advocate

#### Visit

<u>https://www.thewomenscenterinc.org/employment-opportunities</u> to learn more about our open positions.

Visit Indeed.com to apply today!

## Mandated Reporter Certified Training

The Women's Center offers the Mandated Reporting of Suspected Child Abuse certified training. Interested organizations, businesses, etc. can call our Education Department at (570)-784-6632 to schedule a training!



## Legal Advocacy Program

Did you know our Legal Advocacy Program assists in the filing of Protection from Abuse (PFA) and Sexual Violence Protection Orders (SVPO)? The Women's Center also retains an attorney that will represent our clients at their PFA hearing at no cost to them. Anyone looking to file a PFA or SVPO can call our 24-hour hotline at (570)-784-6631.





Thank you to N4Cs and For the Cause Teen Center for your recent donations!

## Donor Spotlight

The Women's Center, Inc. would like to thank the following donors for their incredible support of our mission and programs. We could not serve our community without your generosity!

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## October- Domestic Violence Awareness Month

## Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM) starts in less than 30 days!

Join The Women's Center, Inc. this October for a month of events and activities to engage our community in open dialogue about domestic violence, raise awareness about the impact of domestic violence, and show our unwavering support for survivors.

**#EverylKnowsSome1 impacted by domestic violence.** One in three women, one in four men, and nearly half of LGBTQ+ people will experience domestic violence in their lifetime.

High rates of domestic violence are not private, individual problems; they require community solutions. By acknowledging this reality, we can collectively work towards ending domestic violence and creating safe, healthy communities for everyone.

Everyone can join the movement this DVAM - mark your calendar and get involved!

- **Social Media Campaign:** Engage with us on social media using the hashtag #EverylKnowsSomel as we share stories, resources, and messages of hope, spreading the word and creating a united front against domestic violence.
- **Purple Thursday:** On Thursday, October 19, wear purple to show your support of domestic violence survivors and your commitment to ending abuse! Take a selfie in your purple and share it on social media with #PurpleThursday #DVAM #EverylKnowsSome.
- **GiveForDV:** Visit <a href="https://www.thewomenscenterinc.org/donation-information">https://www.thewomenscenterinc.org/donation-information</a> to make a gift on the official GiveForDV Day of Giving on Thursday, October 26. Every gift makes a difference for survivors as they rebuild their lives free from abuse.

Stay tuned for updates as we draw closer to October. Thank you for your ongoing support, and let's make this year's DVAM the most impactful yet!



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