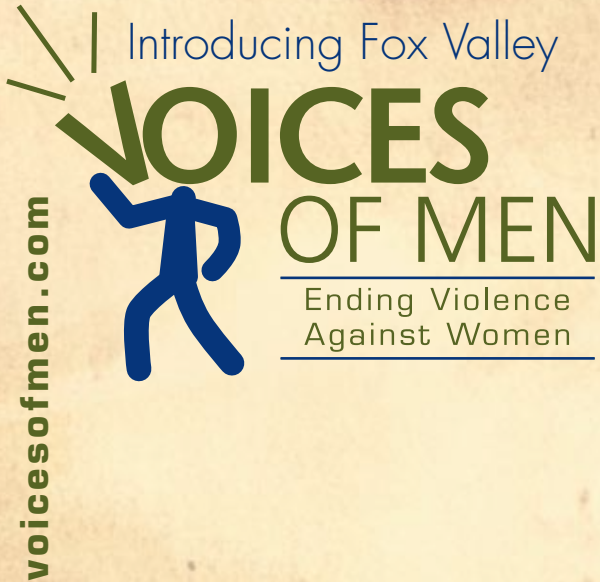


A Call to Fox Valley Men!

STEP UP. ADD YOUR VOICE!

Help end violence against women.





Fox Valley Voices of Men is a diverse group of community residents who want to see the growing trend of violence against women end. We are dedicated to preventing the abuse of women and girls by working to raise awareness of the issues and getting other men on board with our cause. Want to get involved? There are plenty of ways you can:

- Mentoring programs for boys and men
- Hosting a video discussion or speaker at your workplace
- Taking part in a simulation workshop
- Presenting a video or discussion at a sports team practice
- Participating in community presentations at churches, clubs or other events
- Linking support agencies with your workplace
- And many more ... visit our project Web site at voicesofmen.com

OUR MISSION: *Voices of Men is a group of Fox Valley men dedicated to ending violence in our community and preventing the abuse of girls and women through education, role modeling and mentoring of boys and men.*

**WE WILL NOT REMAIN
SILENT**

DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE
injuries account
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to emergency
rooms annually

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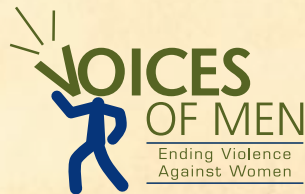
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CONVERSATIONS ARE A PRIORITY OF VOICES OF MEN

The Startling Reality

- In 2009, **46 domestic violence incidents** ended in the **deaths of 59 women and children** in Wisconsin alone
- **29,769 incidents of domestic violence** were reported to the police in 2008 in Wisconsin – and these are only the cases that were **reported to the police AND referred to the DA's office**
- From **2000 to 2008** in Winnebago, Outagamie and Calumet counties there were **13 domestic violence homicides**
- In some communities, the first sexual encounter of up to **67 percent of teen parents** was not **consensual**, with 23 percent becoming pregnant by their assailant
- Area high schools are experiencing the **highest teen pregnancy** rates in over **10 years**



**ARE YOU READY TO STEP UP? ... Contact any of our four partnering organizations: Christine Ann Domestic Abuse Services 920-235-5998
Harbor House Domestic Abuse Programs 920-832-1667 | Reach Counseling Services 920-722-8150 | Sexual Assault Crisis Center 920-733-8119**

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1 in 6
CHILDREN
will experience
some form of
sexual abuse
before
age 18

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COACHING IS A PRIORITY OF VOICES OF MEN



IT IS OUR ISSUE. AS MEN, WE MUST STEP UP.

Common Myth: Violence Against Women is Rare.

The Reality: It's always shocking to read about domestic violence in the headlines, but the scary truth is that this kind of abuse is happening inside every community, every day. In fact, numbers show that:

- Each year, an estimated **1.3 million women are physically assaulted** by an **intimate partner** with 1,200 of these incidents resulting in death
- Up to **75 percent** of domestic violence and sexual assault cases **go unreported**
- **Men's violence** is the **leading cause of injury to women**
- **Violence against women knows no boundaries**, affecting all socio-economic classes, ages and ethnicity

Common Myth: Violence Against Women isn't a Problem in My Community.

The Reality: Assuming that domestic violence and sexual abuse is only a problem elsewhere is easy to do, but this idea is far from true. The two shelters serving the Fox Valley – Harbor House and the Christine Ann Center – are consistently running at capacity, and there is a severe shortage of funding to meet the demands. In 2008, statistics show a 30 percent increase in victims served over the last five years and other numbers reveal:

- Both shelters serving **a combined total of 2,962 women and children**
- **24,000 calls** to women's shelter crisis lines logged
- The Sexual Assault Crisis Center and Reach Counseling Services totalled **3,556** sexual assault client contacts

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70% OF
MEN who
batter their
partners either
sexually or
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children

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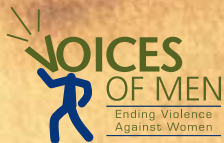
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MENTORING IS A PRIORITY OF VOICES OF MEN

WHEN THE TIME COMES, WILL YOU SPEAK?

For a listing of events
and activities during our
four-month initiative and
the remainder of 2010,
visit our Web site
voicesofmen.com



TAKE THE PLEDGE!

**“I pledge never to commit, condone or remain silent
about men’s violence against women and girls.”**

Recruiting More Men for Our Mission

Why should you become a member of Fox Valley Voices of Men? It’s about taking a stand for all of the girls and women in our lives and preventing all forms of abuse. There are so many easy ways to get involved through education, role modeling and mentoring. Help do your part in putting an end to violence by doing something simple – join our movement by adding your name and voice to our pledge online at voicesofmen.com.

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