



# NEWSGRAM SPRING 2017

## DID YOU KNOW?

- ❖ Center for Domestic Peace (C4DP) has responded to the needs of more than **181,000 individuals affected by domestic violence**, as well as more than 29,000 men who have been violent over the past 40 years.
- ❖ In 1981, MAWS began **one of the nation's first Men's Programs** to educate men to stop their violent behavior and activated a men's hotline to deter men from engaging in violence. It still operates today!
- ❖ In 1983, MAWS purchased a 10-unit complex to establish **one of the nation's first transitional housing programs** for survivor women and their children. We now have a total of 21 units.

### In fiscal year 2015-2016, Center for Domestic Peace assisted 4,531 individuals impacted by domestic violence:

- ❖ Answered **3,125 hotline calls** (in both English and Spanish), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. We provided crisis intervention, safety planning, emotional support, referrals, and information.
- ❖ Provided **emergency shelter and transitional housing to 151 women and 206 children** for a total of 28,218 bed nights, along with personal and economic empowerment activities, food, clothing, transportation, accompaniment, group therapy, childcare, art classes, and help securing permanent housing.
- ❖ Provided **advocacy within the civil and criminal justice system to 454 individuals** through 3,609 sessions, improving victims' ability to achieve effective results with restraining orders, police reports, and more.
- ❖ Through Marin Youth Services, provided age appropriate services **to 90 youth, teens, and young adults**.
- ❖ Provided **"In This Together" child/parent therapy to 154 children and non-abusing parents** to heal the trauma caused by witnessing domestic violence and to build family unity.
- ❖ Provided **support groups to 133 participants**.
- ❖ Educated **116 men** through ManKind **and 26 women** through WomanKind to teach them skills **to stop their violent behavior**.
- ❖ Trained **3,711** professionals, community members, youth service providers, and prevention specialists.
- ❖ **101 volunteers** donated **30,377 hours** of their time, the equivalent of **14 full-time staff**.



## C4DP to Celebrate 40 Years of Transforming Lives!

Mark your calendars for C4DP's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration "Journey" which will be held at the Terrapin Crossroads, San Rafael, on **October 21<sup>st</sup> from 6-10 PM**. Journey with us as we look back at our work over the past 40 years of transforming lives; celebrate the individuals, community members, and milestones along the way. The evening will consist of a short program and launch into an all-out party with delicious food, great music, and inspiring conversation with new and old friends. Information will be posted soon about tickets, sponsorship opportunities, and more at [www.c4dp.org/events](http://www.c4dp.org/events).

## C4DP DEEPENS ITS WORK AT THE COLLEGE LEVEL

C4DP has a long history of working with Marin’s schools and colleges. Recently, with momentum of the Children, Youth, and Community Prevention Division building, C4DP has signed formal Memoranda of Understanding with College of Marin (COM) and Dominican University to more actively partner with the campuses to provide intervention and prevention programming.

The goal of these integrated partnerships is to create culture change, not only with administration but also with the students, who will take responsibility for violence, hold themselves accountable, and support survivors. Included in the agreements are annual trainings for staff and students on identifying possible victims, bystander intervention, processes and protocols to file a complaint, and how to report a crime. C4DP also provides onsite crisis intervention, support, and referrals by a trained domestic violence advocate, and mentors a student-led committee that conducts outreach and prevention initiatives.

In honor of Sexual Assault Awareness Month, the Marin Against Youth Abuse (MAYA) committee chose to show the documentary *The Hunting Grounds*, carried a mattress around campus to stand in solidarity with survivors of sexual assault, engaged students in making their own Clothes Line t-shirts with messages against sexual assault, educated their peers on teen dating violence, and more. With the new agreements in place, C4DP and the MAYA committee have deepened relationships with these partners to create improved collaboration, feedback mechanisms for incidents on campus, and strategies to prevent abuse in the future.

C4DP has also increased our presence at COM, supporting survivors and conducting prevention work. For example, in October students hosted a Day of the Dead altar in honor of Domestic Violence Awareness Month. A growing number of interns from COM are serving on the MAYA committee to create semester-long prevention programs on campus.

- 21% of college students report having experienced dating violence by a current partner.
- 9 in 10 victims of rape and sexual assault on college campuses knew their offender.



### Marin Youth Services Launching New Text Line

C4DP’s youth advocacy program (Marin Youth Services) is launching a new text line in summer 2017 so young people in Marin can reach a trained healthy relationship advocate and counselor via text, a feature that youth have requested. This line will serve as a confidential point of contact for relationship questions and will be responded to Monday to Friday, 9 AM to 5 PM.

Relationships exist on a spectrum – from healthy, to unhealthy, to abusive, to everywhere in between. It can be hard to determine where a relationship falls, especially if you haven’t dated a lot.

#### C4DP’s Marin Youth Services can help young people:

- Figure out if what’s going on in a relationship (whether talking, hanging out, or hooking up) is healthy or not.
- Connect with others who are dealing with similar issues.
- Make a safety plan and talk about options.
- Get emergency shelter and/or legal protection.

#### C4DP’S 24-HOUR HOTLINES

English . . . . . 415-924-6616  
Spanish . . . . . 415-924-3456  
Mankind . . . . . 415-924-1070  
Marin Youth Services . . . . . 415-526-2557  
9 AM - 5 PM, Monday - Friday