



TEXOMA ALLIANCE To STOP ABUSE

Working Together To End Family Violence In Our Community

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SPOTLIGHT

This quarterly spotlight is TASA board member Jon Whitsitt, who serves as Chair of the board. He is also the Assistant District Attorney and City Attorney for Vernon and Seymour.

Jon has played a vital role on the board since TASA's beginning in 2013. His background in criminal defense and passion to end family violence in our community is what makes Jon an invaluable part of TASA's team.

"It is a privilege to serve on the TASA board. As a former defense attorney and now a prosecutor, I have seen first-hand that intimate partner violence is prevalent in our area and in our nation. It is vital to have an organization like TASA in our community to provide support for victims and hold perpetrators accountable so that we can break the cycle of intimate partner violence."



HIGHLIGHTS

We now have a website: texomaalliance.org! It is an efficient way for victims seeking services to learn more about our program in a safe and convenient way.

In addition to the site, we have moved into a new office. TASA has expanded from a one room office to a multi-room office space with a waiting area. We are located at the same physical address as our previous one, but a different suite number, 500.

Lastly, TASA began the Conference on Crimes against Women Web Series on June 2nd. Members of our DVHRT have attended webinars twice a week each lasting 1.5 hours. The conference will end September 24th.

UPCOMING

October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month! Wear purple to show your support.

October is our biggest outreach and fundraising month; however, it will look different this year due to Covid-19.

Since 2013, TASA has held a DV awareness rally to commemorate the month. We are looking into virtual options for this year's rally.

One event that will be happening is TASA's Golf Scramble on Oct. 3, 2020. Tee off is 9am at Hilcrest Country Club. Please come and join!

RESOURCES & INFO

Did you know 1 in 3 women have experienced some form of physical violence by an intimate partner.

In 2018, 174 Texas women were murdered by a current/former male partner. Possessive and controlling behaviors happen gradually and intensify as the relationship grows. Many ask "why doesn't she just leave?" The truth is leaving doesn't equal

There are many barriers to escaping an abusive relationship, and leaving is the most dangerous time for victims.

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