

Special and Affiliate Programs

- **Teens Promoting Awareness (TPA):** The TPA program is dedicated to teens by teens working together on projects to help prevent teen dating violence through education and heightened awareness.
- **Community Coordinating Council (CCC):** The mission of the CCC is to work in partnerships to improve the well being of children, families and individuals in the four counties of The Northern Neck and the county of Essex. The CCC does this by increasing community awareness and establishing effective and consistent prevention policies and programs which hold batterers and perpetrators accountable thereby decreasing incidents of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking.
 - **The Child Assault Prevention (CAP) Project:** CAP seeks to end the victimization of children through the education of elementary school children and adults in their communities. Recognizing children's vulnerability to assault, CAP focuses on children's problem-solving abilities to help them to identify and defuse potentially dangerous situations. Through role-plays and discussion, children learn assertiveness, peer support and communication skills. Through workshops, the CAP program offers teachers, school staff/administrators, and parents the vocabulary and strategies necessary to address and respond effectively to these issues. CAP works to ensure the rights of all children to be safe, strong and free.
 - **Fatality Review Team:** A variety of representatives from the law enforcement community as well as direct service agencies make up the team. The mission of the team is to prevent domestic violence cases from escalating into the murder of adults and/or children, by constructively examining the circumstances of past and future deaths by domestic violence, by making recommendations arising out of these death reviews, and by increasing coordination and communication between agencies and systems. Thus the goal of this Team is not to place blame but rather to better understand the dynamics of domestic violence deaths and diminish the possibility of future fatalities.
 - **Break the Cycle Program:** This class offers parents a chance to better understand the effects of domestic violence on their children. Parents can learn better ways to talk to and listen to their children about their experience of domestic violence while learning how domestic violence has affected them as parents. The class can also help parents work on a safe, nonviolent relationship with each other and offer assistance in finding support and counseling if needed.

- **Men Can Stop Violence Against Women (MCSVAW):** We live in a society which can lead men to believe aggression and violence against women is acceptable. Young boys are encouraged to demonstrate strength and dominance while socializing processes teach men to equate masculinity with power and the ability to control others. Some men express their masculinity by using verbal or physical violence against women. MCSVAW creates a safe place for an interactive discussion to challenge ourselves, as men, to confront attitudes, assumptions, actions, and language in our everyday lives, that dehumanizes women and makes violence more likely.
- **Healthy Dating Relationships Program:** Focuses on the elements of a healthy dating relationship for young adults in schools or other youth programs.

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