

KWRCC Spokeswoman Breaks the Silence

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If it were up to Angela Bowling, people everywhere would start talking about domestic violence. The outreach coordinator for the Kodiak Women's Resource and Crisis Center wants to break the silence with education and dialogue. October is domestic violence awareness month and Bowling is taking every opportunity to spread the word.

KMXT's Diana Gish spoke with her about the issue that affects one out of every four women.

This Friday KWRCC is conducting a domestic violence awareness vigil at 5:30 p.m. at Saint James Episcopal Church at 421 Thorsheim.

The Kodiak Women's Resource and Crisis Center 24 Hour Crisis Line:

486-3625 or toll-free: 888-486-3625 In case of emergency DIAL 911

Domestic Violence is a pattern of abusive behavior, occurring over time, and becoming more frequent and severe. The purpose of the abuse is power and control, domination or coercion. Such behaviors may include verbal abuse and threats, physical, psychological, and sexual abuse; and destruction of property and pets. The abuser is an intimate partner-current or former spouse, boyfriend/girlfriend or other family member. One out of every four women will be a victim of domestic violence. Each year, an estimated 1.3 million women are victims of physical assault by an intimate partner. Domestic violence affects both men and women regardless of culture or economic circumstances.