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BRONX DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE WILL HOLD VIRTUAL 5K RUN/WALK/ROLL TO END DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Participants Can Take Part in the Annual Event Anytime, Anywhere Between Oct. 3-10, 2020 to Raise Awareness

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that her Office, along with the Mayor's Office to End Domestic and Gender-Based Violence, will hold a virtual Run/Walk/Roll to raise awareness and prevent domestic violence from October 3-10, 2020.

District Attorney Clark said, "October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. We have held this community event the past two years, and although the COVID-19 pandemic prevents us from doing the 5K on the Grand Concourse together, you can still help focus attention on this issue whether you run in your neighborhood or on a treadmill, take a walk or roll in a park."

"I remind all Bronx residents that our Domestic Violence Bureau holds accountable those who commit such crimes. We are currently prosecuting over 2,100 DV Misdemeanor cases and 300 felony DV cases. All victims are contacted by Advocates from the EVE program (Early Victim Engagement) post-arraignment, regardless of willingness to cooperate, and our Crime Victims' Assistance Unit helps survivors deal with their trauma and refers them to the Family Justice Center for services. We have not stopped throughout the pandemic."

Commissioner Cecile Noel of the Mayor's Office to End Domestic and Gender-Based Violence said, "We thank the Bronx District Attorney's Office for this opportunity to help tell survivors they are not alone. Survivors need us now more than ever in these extraordinary times. COVID-19 puts into sharp focus the vulnerabilities that many people in our city face every day, especially gender-based violence survivors; and it highlights the barriers and challenges that we know keep people from seeking help and finding safety. Our partnership with the Bronx District Attorney's Office is vital to assisting survivors, and their event gives New Yorkers another way to show their support for survivors."

Those wishing to participate in the 5K can register for <u>free online</u>, and will then be emailed their individual race bib. Participants can pick a time and place that works for them between October 3-10, 2020 and run, walk or roll wearing purple—the color of Domestic Violence



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Awareness Month. Participants can also record their finish time using fitness apps such as Strava or RunKeeper.

If you are a victim of domestic violence you can call the Office of the Bronx District Attorney's Crime Victims Assistance Unit at (718) 590-2115.





Commissioner
Cecile Noel

HELP FOR INTIMATE PARTNER & DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

The Bronx District Attorney's Office

The Crime Victims Assistance Unit provides referrals and information; crisis intervention; criminal justice advocacy; therapy; and relocation assistance to victims of crime.

Call (718) 590-2115

Family Justice Centers

The Family Justice Centers provide safety planning, advocacy, and referrals; family, matrimonial, immigration, and housing legal advice; counseling for survivors and their children and other specialized services and information regarding public benefits, shelters, and housing resources.

Bronx (718) 508-1220; Manhattan (212) 602-2800; Queens (718) 575-4545; Brooklyn (718) 250-5113; Staten Island (718) 657-4300

NYC HOPE

<u>City's online portal</u> that connects survivors with information, education, and resources about domestic violence and gender-based violence.

SAFE HORIZON Domestic Violence Hotline

FREE 24/7 DV hotline. Provides crisis counseling; safety planning; referral to resources; and assistance with finding domestic violence shelters.

Call (800) 621-HOPE (4673)

National Domestic Violence Hotline

FREE 24/7 DV hotline supporting survivors of domestic violence.

Call (800) 787-3224 or Text LOVEIS to 22522

NYC Anti-Violence Project (LGBTQ)

FREE 24/7 hotline supporting survivors of violence in the LGBTQ community.

Call (212) 714-1141

National Human Trafficking Hotline

FREE 24/7 hotline supporting survivors of human trafficking.

Call (888) 373-7888 or Text at 223-733

Confidential Domestic Violence Shelter

Call (800) 621-HOPE (4673)

For Families with children 20 & under

Contact PATH, the Prevention Assistance and Temporary Housing at (718) 503-6400 or visit their location at 151 East 151st Street, Bronx, NY 10451.

For Families with children 21 & older

Visit the Adult Family Intake Center at 400-430 East 30th Street, New York City, NY 10016.

For Single Women

Visit the Franklin Shelter at 1122 Franklin Avenue (near 166th Street), Bronx, NY 10456.

Visit the HELP Women's Shelter at 116 William Avenue (between Liberty Ave & Glenmore Ave), Brooklyn, NY 11207.

For Single Men

Visit the Intake Center at 400-430 East 30th Street, New York City, NY 10016.

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