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WOMEN'S
SHELTER

*The bridge to empower survivors on
their journey to safety and security.*

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ANNUAL BENEFIT MOTORCYCLE ALL SET TO ROLL ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2021. MARK YOUR CALENDAR & JOIN US!

**2021 Annual
Benefit
Motorcycle Ride**

**HELP END
DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE**

**Saturday,
September 25th**

Join your fellow bikers for the annual
benefit motorcycle ride.
Led by the Punishers LEMC,
the ride will wind through Craven,
Jones, Pamlico Counties for 120-miles.



A special thanks to our sponsors, we are very grateful
for their support and participation in this event.



Registration begins @ 9:30 am at
Temple Church, 1500 Kingdom Way,
New Bern. 3/1 Cookies & Coffee Truck
will be there to kick-start your ride.
KSU @ 11:00 AM
Ends at Pamlico County Chamber
of Commerce, 10642 Hwy 55 E,
Grantsboro. Rain or shine.

Be prepared to hang out with us at
the end of the ride for music with
Big Jim & Kathy Kohler, food &
beverage, vendors, and a 50/50 raffle.

Riders \$20 Passengers \$10
Non-riders \$10

Advance Ticket Sales



SCAN ME

There will be food truck Nest Cafe, the best blues music with Big Jim and Kathy Kohler, and vendors including Salty Enterprises (paint correction, sealant, Norwex consultant), Fire & Brimstone (BBQ Sauces & Marinades), Veteran Made Tee Shirts supporting Mission 22 & Homeless Vets, Best Beads Jewelry, Pure Romance (essential oils plus more). Very special thanks to E&J Automotive for providing the chase truck.

Visit: <https://www.coastalwomensshelter.org/post/annual-benefit-motorcycle-september-2021>



Executive Director's Message



Fall is in the air! The weather has given us a glimpse at the changes coming our way. While our staff is enjoying the slow change in the temperature, we are also gearing up for more in-person events coming this Fall. We cannot wait to be back out in the community, taking all safety precautions of course. We have missed connecting with our community on a regular basis and hope we can safely begin to do so in the coming weeks.

We are continuing to track the COVID variants and are taking all necessary precautions in our offices as well as when we meet others in public. Our dedication continues to be focused on serving those seeking assistance for domestic violence and making sure everyone involved stays safe. We continue to offer multiple ways to connect with our advocate staff, such as online through email, virtual sessions and by phone. If you are unsure of which staff member is in your county, please call our main office at (252)638-4509 and our staff will be more than happy to assist in connecting you with the correct advocate.

We would like to encourage those in the community to maintain their vigilance, if you see someone who may need our assistance call our office and speak to our staff on how to safely refer someone to our agency. We cannot do the work we do without the support and assistance from our community members. We would also like to send a huge thank you to everyone who continues to check in with us regularly for our clients' needs and donating when you can. Every donation makes a world of difference to our agency and those we serve.

Client Service Statistics for August 2021



Helping Hands Boutique



GETTING READY TO MAKE ROOM FOR FALL CLOTHS

SHOP THE DISCOUNTS
ON SUMMER CLOTHS

SHOP TO END DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE
4509A NEUSE BLVD
NEW BERN, NC
MON-FRI 10 AM TO 5 PM
SAT 9AM TO 4PM
MONDAY - SENIOR CITIZEN'S
DAY 10% OFF
WEDNESDAY - MILITARY
APPRECIATION DAY 10% OFF
3RD WEEKEND IN SEPT - SPEND
\$25.00 GET 50% OFF

Good Neighbors

EPIPHANY SCHOOL STUDENTS PITCH IN TO HELP US GET OUR DONATIONS ORGANIZED.

On August 19, 2021 Epiphany School students came to volunteer, helping us with organizing a tremendous amount of donations Coastal Women's Shelter receives. This team of 10 students sorted, put items in bins and labeled them. Their help was invaluable. We are so very grateful



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Domestic Violence - Personalized Safety Planning - What all survivors should have!

Although survivors can't control an abuser's use of violence, they can plan how they will respond to future abusive or violent incidents, prepare for the possibility of an incident happening, and plan how to get to safety. It is their decision if and when they tell others that they have been abused, or they are still at risk. Friends, family, and coworkers can help with victim's safety plan if they are aware of the situation and want to help.



Survivors need to ask themselves the following questions for a safety plan:

- When I have to talk to the abuser, I can _____.
- I can make up a “code word” for my family, co-workers, friends and counselor so they know when to call for help for me. My code word is _____.
- When I feel a fight coming on, I will try to move to a place that is lowest risk for getting hurt, such as _____ (at work), _____ (at home) or _____ (in public).
- I can tell my family, co-workers, boss, counselor or a friend about my situation. I feel safe telling _____.
- I can screen my calls, texts, emails, and visitors. I have the right to not receive harassing phone calls, texts or emails. I can ask friends, family members or co-workers to help me screen my contacts. I can ask these people for help: _____.
- I can call any of the following people for assistance or support if necessary and ask them to call the police if they see the abuser harassing me.

Friend: _____ Relative: _____ Co-worker: _____ Counselor: _____ Shelter: _____

Other: _____

- When leaving work, I can _____.
- When walking, riding, or driving home, if problems occur, I can _____.
- I can attend a victim's/survivor's support group with the Domestic Violence program, like _____.

- Contact Information I Need To Have:

Police Department: _____

Domestic Violence Program: _____

Sexual Assault Program: _____

Attorney: _____

Counselor: _____

Spiritual Support/Clergy: _____

Probation Officer: _____

Other: _____

Source: National Coalition Against Domestic Violence

Coastal Women's Shelter

The Value of Your Monetary Donation



Historically, most of our funding for Coastal Women's Shelter has come from government grants or foundations; but we are seeing much of that support being cut.

Therefore, we desperately need your help to serve our clients in seeking safety. They often need help with the first month's rent and utility payment; with fees to apply for childcare assistance; with gas cards, with medical bills; and, with legal bills.

Survivors of domestic violence could be your neighbor, your co-worker, your cousin, or the person you pass on the street. Domestic violence lives in secrecy. Every person who can leave an abuser deserves the best chance possible to create a successful life.

Your monthly donation of:

- \$50.00 per month for 3 months provides 45 meals for our safe house guests.
- \$100.00 per month for 3 months provides 30 days of emergency shelter for 1 to 2 families.
- \$250.00 per month will help cover relocation costs for one family, providing its members with a safe new home and a brighter future.

There is no minimum contribution and you can change the amount or cancel the contribution at anytime.

Coastal Women's Shelter is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt, non-profit organization that serves survivors in Carven, Jones and Pamlico counties.

Please call us at 252.638.4509 for more information.

Make your check out to Coastal Women's Shelter and mail it to

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or, go to coastalwomensshelter.org/donations to make an online donation.