



*Take
back
the night!*

October 21, 1999

6:30 PM TO 7:30 PM

Jacksonville Landing

Sponsored By:

YWCA

Jacksonville Sheriff's Office

Women's Center of Jacksonville

Sexual Assault Response Center

Hubbard House

Jacksonville Urban League

Quigley House

FCCJ Women's Center

State Attorney's Office

UNF Women's Center

Jacksonville Area Legal Aid

Jacksonville Urban League

NAS Jacksonville Victim Services

City of Jacksonville, Victim Services Division

Take Back The Night Confronting Violence Against Women Program

Welcome Charlene Taylor -Hill

Musical Performance Robin Bach

Survivor's Speak Out

Keynote Speaker Nancy Hogshead

Meditation Rev. Gretchen Van Aiken
Chaplain

Closing Remarks Gayle Alston
Program Coordinator
Mayor's Domestic Violence Implementation Team &
The Sexual Assault Advisory Council

Closing Music J.A.N.E.
(Teri Noble Robertson, Brenda David, & Be Be Bonati)

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Year to Date, The Jacksonville Sheriff's Office has documented 825 cases of forcible rape and other forcible sex offenses. According to the National Victim Center, only 16% of such cases are ever reported, therefore, the actual number of occurrences in Duval County may have been as high as 3,275.

The Sheriff's Office has also documented 8491 reported cases of domestic violence. Considering that only one out of three women who are battered actually report it, the actual number is estimated at 25,473.

Remember that these are not just numbers, they represent women and families that are torn apart by violence!

For Emergency Assistance:

(The following numbers may be called to gain access to information/referral services, counseling services, & Advocacy services)

Domestic Violence

Hubbard House (Duval County)	354-3114
Quigley House (Clay County)	284-0061
Betty Griffin House (St. John's County)	824-1555
Statewide Domestic Violence Hotline	1-800-500-1119
Victim Services Center	630-6300

Sexual Assault

Rape Hotline	549-RAPE (7273)
Sexual Assault Response Center	549-4600
Women's Center of Jacksonville, Rape Recovery Team	356-3300
Victim Services Center	630-6300



The Clothesline Project

The T-shirts that are hanging at the rally are part of an on-going project of Hubbard House and Quigley House. The project gives women an opportunity to break the silence about violence. The shirts represent individual women and their families expressing their own experiences with violence. The shirts hang on a clothesline shoulder to shoulder to represent women standing together against violence.

There are counselors wearing green t-shirts who are available if you need to talk to someone.

Shirt Color Codes:

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| ➤ White | Women Killed |
| ➤ Yellow | Women Battered |
| ➤ Red | Women Raped |
| ➤ Blue | Women Sexually Abused |
| ➤ Purple | Women Victimized for Being Lesbians |
| ➤ Black | Women Permanently Disabled by Violence |

A Message For Women

Women do not ask for, cause, invite or deserve to be assaulted. Women and men sometimes exercise poor judgement about safety, but that does not make them responsible for an assault. Attackers are responsible for their attacks and their use of violence to overpower, control and abuse another person.

If you or someone you know is in danger, call:

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National Coalition Against Domestic Violence	1-303-839-1852

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R.A.I.N.N. (National)	1-800-656-4673

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Women can't stop violence alone. We need to support one another and work with men who care about us. Together we can create a safer future for women, children and men.

An Invitation To Men

We know most of you would never beat or rape your wife, your lover, a date, your child, or a stranger. We live and work with you. We love and respect you. You are our fathers, uncles, husbands, brothers, companions, friends, and lovers.

But there are men who are violent. Children learn about fear, brutality, and humiliation from them. These men destroy individuals and families.

The next time you hear a man say he's going to show her who's boss...

Tell him that hitting, slapping, and shoving are wrong. Tell him that you handle your anger and aggression differently. You talk things out when you disagree with your partner.

Tell him that women don't ask to be raped. Tell him you never force sex no matter how much money you spent or how long you've been dating. Tell him that "yes" means "yes," and everything else means "no."

The next time you see or hear one of us in trouble, pay attention! As one rape survivor noted, "Rape is a Soul Murder." We can't stop the violence by ourselves.

Please, Join us!