



FALL 2021 NEWSLETTER

**ORANGE THE WORLD:
FUND, RESPOND,
PREVENT, COLLECT!**

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Fall is here and although it continues to be an unusual year, now with heavy rains and floods, we continue to work hard as always to move domestic violence to DOMESTIC PEACE. In this, our introductory newsletter at the beginning of "16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence", you'll find a client story, a story of remembrance, and more!

ROSE'S STORY

I remember clearly the day that I met 6-year old Rose and her mother who had just come to Joy's Place Transition House fleeing a horrific domestic scene and an unhealthy family home. Rose was terrified. Although it wasn't safe, she had never truly left home, she'd been isolated all her life. Her mom tried to console her but she too had been beaten and was hurting and scared... scared that her partner would make good on his threats to harm them should they leave. Despite the danger, Rose's mom couldn't endure the cruelty any longer.

We are so grateful they found their way to us.

The very sad truth is that we see this all too often, women and children fleeing their homes. I'm certain you will agree that children should be allowed to be children, free from violence and fear. Can you imagine? Rose had never known or experienced a healthy relationship, never felt safe, or how to trust anyone.

We listened to Rose and her mom. Rose's mom was conflicted – she still loved her partner despite the pain, hurt and scarring he had caused; but could not, would not stand to see her daughter exposed to ongoing violence. We cared for each of them; I know that you would too.

One of the most profound gifts we can give is a greater sense of self-compassion. Let me explain; often, women blame themselves for the abuse they suffer, for staying, for continuing to love him, like Rose's mom. But the truth is so many women who are abused as adults grew up in abusive homes themselves.

That is why it is so important to turn domestic violence into DOMESTIC PEACE, to break the cycle of abuse. It takes time to rebuild resiliency for every woman and child to reclaim their sense of self, and find the courage to set their life on a new path.

Today, Rose and her mom are living a new life. They are no longer scared, they have learned to trust.

MOVING FROM DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TO DOMESTIC PEACE

Move from Domestic Violence to Domestic Peace is Tri-City Transitions commitment to a community and a world free from violence for all women and girls in our community and beyond. The 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence (NOVEMBER 25 TO DECEMBER 10) is an organizing strategy by individuals and organizations worldwide to call for the prevention and elimination of VIOLENCE against WOMEN and GIRLS. Orange your world as never before. Let's actively prevent violence against women and girls globally by mobilizing resources specifically for this issue.



COMMUNITY-BASED VICTIM ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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Our Community-Based Victim Assistance program offers services to women, children, youth, and men victimized and impacted by domestic violence, which has become a criminal matter. Our victim support workers assist clients with court support and accompaniment, emotional support, and referrals. To resources to help clients with other issues, such as legal aid, family law matters relating to parenting time and guardianship, peace bonds, restraining order and housing resources.





For Ways to Help

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We encourage those experiencing family violence and abuse to reach out – whether you are a victim, friends or family looking to support someone, or a man looking for help. Call our 24-Hour Family Violence Helpline: **604-492-1700** or **info@tricitytransitions.com**. If you are in danger, call **811**.

Our workers will respond to emails: **info@tricitytransitions.com**, or **604 941 7111**. If you are in danger, call **911**

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