



Third Party Event

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Thank you for Hosting a Third Party Event!

The concept of a third party event is to expose people to the mission of HAVEN through private and public gatherings hosted by local organizations, businesses and community members. Third party events also offer you an opportunity to increase your own outreach and recognition in the community.

The idea is for supporters to host an event and invite their friends, colleagues and neighbors to spend time during the party discussing the issues of domestic and sexual violence and engaging others to find ways to get involved in making a difference. With your help and support, it is possible to raise awareness, necessary funds, and to end domestic and sexual violence in our community!

Included in your host pack:

- ◆ Host Talking Points
- ◆ HAVEN Brochures and Fact Sheets
- ◆ 7 Minute DVD
- ◆ A Host Gift
- ◆ “How You Can Help” Cards

Preparing for your Event

Contact the Development office at HAVEN to discuss your ideas.

HAVEN relies on community support to meet the needs of our clients and third party events are a great way to show your support and involve others in our mission. HAVEN must also carefully consider where and when our name and logo is used. For this reason, all events must be approved by the Development department. Additionally, HAVEN cannot provide funding to support a third party event. You can reach the Development department at 248-334-1284. HAVEN has a Speaker's Bureau made up of survivors willing to share their stories, If you wish to have a speaker at your event, we can arrange this given enough notice.

Invite your guests.

E-vites or printed invitations can work just fine. Just make sure you track your RSVPs. Follow-up by phone or in person.

Put together information for your guests.

Included in your packet are brochures, fact sheets, “how you can help” cards and awareness ribbons for each guest.

Make sure the DVD works, and get it ready to play.



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Party Time

Presentation

When all your guests have arrived and have had time to eat, drink and socialize take a moment to talk about the purpose of the party. Talk about HAVEN, ending domestic and sexual violence and how your guests can help. Show the DVD and express why YOU got involved and why HAVEN's mission is important to you. Talking points are enclosed.

Answer questions that your guests might have - if you can. If you don't know the answer, that's okay! Just say: "I don't know the answer to that - but I can help you find out." Refer people to their packet of materials and to HAVEN's website. Anyone, at any time, is welcome to call HAVEN for more information.

Invite your friends to spread the word about ending domestic violence. Invite them to get involved with HAVEN, sign up for the newsletter and join the e-mail list for monthly updates. We never share or sell their contact information.

After Your Party

Send in your guest information request forms to HAVEN: P.O. Box 431045, Pontiac, MI 48343
Attn: Development.

Follow up with any interested guests, and refer them to HAVEN staff. Everyone has fears and concerns - domestic and sexual violence are painful issues, but you can help quell concerns by sharing your own positive experiences.

Document your party Share your experience and photos taken during your party with HAVEN. If you'd like to write a testimonial or letter documenting the event, we'd love to read it!

**Contact us anytime for assistance with planning your event:
HAVEN Development Department
248-334-1284**

Holly Thomas, Development ext. 341 or hthomas@haven-oakland.org



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Third Party Event Sample Ideas

- Jeans Day – Arrange to have all employees wear jeans on a single Friday, but in order to get in the door, they need to pay \$1 for the privilege of wearing jeans. This is a great way to boost morale, get people involved with a cause you believe in, and best of all everyone who wants to can wear jeans to work!
- Hold a garage sale. Ask friends and family to donate items.
- Stage a silent auction. Ask stores to donate, such as \$10 worth of dry cleaning, a book of five car washes, free sandwiches or drinks, or free coffee. Set minimum pledge limits.
- Hold a dinner party or wine tasting with a special theme for 10 friends. Donations could be \$50 per person. Spend no more than \$20 per person on food and you'll have more than \$300.
- Put collection boxes out around your office. HAVEN also recycles old cell phones – an easy way for you to help support us and promote our work and give others a meaningful use for their old phones.
- Donate a percentage of your sales to HAVEN. Great months to do this are April – Sexual Assault Awareness Month and October – Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Third Party Event Restrictions

HAVEN cannot provide staffing for third-party event, we will however attempt to provide representation for the day of the event if requested. We can provide staff member or a survivor from our speaker's bureau.

Use of HAVEN's logo and promotional materials are available by request for approved third party events only. HAVEN reserves the right to decline third party events. Use of logo and promotional materials must be used in their original format and according to HAVEN's branding guidelines.

100% of proceeds for approved events must be submitted to HAVEN, along with individual donor information, within 30 days of the event.

Sponsors that are asked to support a third party event that has been approved by HAVEN must be approved by HAVEN staff.

Third party organizers will be responsible for all needed contracts, licenses and be in compliance with all State charitable guidelines.



Third Party Event Talking Points

HAVEN Talking Points

- ◆ HAVEN is a recognized leader in preventing and treating the trauma of domestic violence and sexual assault. It is the only organization in Oakland County that provides treatment and prevention services focused exclusively on the issues of domestic violence and sexual assault.
- ◆ HAVEN was founded in 1975 as Oakland County's first and only sexual assault counseling center. In 1977, HAVEN broadened its services to include domestic violence.
- ◆ HAVEN is not part of any government agency. Funding is provided by a number of public and private organizations, including the Domestic Violence Prevention and Treatment Board of the State of Michigan, United Way, Victims of Crime Act, Federal Emergency Management Act, Salvation Army, Community Development Block Grant funds and other governmental sources, charitable foundations, individual contributions, and fundraising events and activities.
- ◆ HAVEN's programs educate the community and empower survivors.
- ◆ Abuse is wrong; it is happening every day; it affects you; it must be stopped.
- ◆ 49% of HAVEN's funding comes from community support.

- ◆ **VISION:** HAVEN is a nationally recognized non-profit leader in Oakland County and surrounding communities providing comprehensive solutions and innovative programs that promote violence-free homes and communities.
- ◆ **MISSION:** To eliminate domestic violence and sexual assault through treatment and prevention services across Oakland County and surrounding communities.
- ◆ **GOALS:** Provide direct services to child and adult victims and families experiencing domestic violence and sexual assault.

Provide direct intervention services to perpetrators of domestic violence and sexual assault in order to prevent future occurrences.

Work toward eliminating domestic violence and sexual assault through prevention education services.

Serve as a systems change agent for community efforts related to domestic violence and sexual assault.



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FAQs

Crisis and Support Line

Q: What does the Crisis Line do?

A: Offers support and information about both community resources and HAVEN's programming, 24 hours a day seven days a week. It is also the way individuals access our shelter.

Q: Who can call the Crisis and Support Line?

A: Anyone can call the support line, even family and friends needing immediate crisis intervention or information.

Q: When can someone call the Crisis Line?

A: 24 hours a day - seven days a week. It is confidential. There is a toll free number for crisis and support : 877-922-1274. TTY Line: 248-334-1290.

Residential

Q: How long is the stay?

A: The average length of stay is approximately 30 days. However, it may be longer or shorter based on an individual's goals and resources.

Q: What do HAVEN's Residential counselors do?

A: Counselors offer support for all survivors. Counselors supply information to help survivors assess options and make choices for their future. Information is provided regarding safety planning, housing, outside financial assistance, and group and individual counseling that is available. Advocacy is offered to assist survivors with financial issues and other needs through outside agencies.

Q: Can survivors in the shelter stay out over night?

A: For safety purposes clients are asked to return to shelter by midnight. Counselors will evaluate each person's situation to assess the need of over night stays.

Q: How much does it cost?

A: There is no cost to stay in the shelter. Most needs are met, including daily meals and respite.

Q: Who is allowed to come to the shelter?

A: Survivors and their dependent children can come to the shelter that have been assessed to be in a dangerous situation due to domestic or sexual violence.

Intervention In Battering (IIB)

Q: How successful is this program in changing abusive behavior?

A: It is very difficult to assess whether or not someone is continuing to use abusive behavior. What does appear to be true from looking at all this information is that the physical abuse tends to stop almost immediately after court intervention and typically this tends to continue throughout the program.

Q: Is HAVEN's program an anger management program?

A: No, our program is an accountability-based program for those individuals who have used power and control tactics in their intimate relationships. People who exhibit violence in an intimate relationship for the purpose of gaining or maintaining power and control, contrary to popular belief, do not need anger management. Anger management is about generalized anger - mainly everything from road rage to yelling at one's boss.



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FAQs continued

- Q: Why is the program so long?
A: Because, at its core, abusive behavior is ingrained in one's values and beliefs. In order to stop using abuse altogether, one must examine and begin to change their beliefs which support the use of power and control tactics. This is a long process.
- Q: Does HAVEN have separate programs for those who have used physical assault versus those who have not?
A: No. We have one program for individuals who have used power and control tactics in their intimate relationships for the purpose of gaining or maintaining power and control. No matter what tactics that individual is using, they are using them for the same purpose.
- Q: Does HAVEN have this program for women?
A: Because we do not have a large enough population of women who are using tactics in their intimate relationships for the purpose of gaining or maintaining power and control, we will see those women individually rather than in a group setting. However, the issues addressed would be the same.
- Q: Is there a fee for service?
A: Yes. There is an intake/history process that takes place prior to group services. The cost for this is \$50.00. This fee must be paid at the time of service and this process must be completed before they are eligible to start the group. Group fees are assessed on a sliding scale that is based upon income.
- Q: I thought HAVEN was a non-profit and therefore cannot collect fees.
A: We are a non-profit organization which means that we do not profit from the fees which are collected. Instead, those fees are absorbed into the cost of maintaining our shelter and other operating costs. Currently, none of our funding will support batterer services. The funds must be used for survivors and their dependent children.

START Program

- Q: Do you screen for sexually transmitted diseases?
A: No. The patient is provided guidelines for follow-up care with her/his family physician, or the health department. Approximately 4 weeks after the assault the patient should see her/his physician to be tested for venereal diseases and the presence of HIV.
- Q: Do you screen for drugs?
A: No. However, with the patient's permission we do collect a blood specimen and urine specimen that is then sent to the Michigan State Crime Lab in Lansing for a toxicology screen. This is of particular importance if the patient reports having memory problems regarding the incident, as she/he may have been exposed to date rape drugs.
- Q: How much does this cost?
A: There is never a cost associated with our services to the patient.
- Q: What kind of medications do you have? Any tranquilizers?
A: We can provide antibiotics for possible exposure to sexually transmitted diseases; however, this does not take the place of the patient following up with her/his own physician. We can also provide mild, over-the-counter pain relievers (Tylenol and Motrin). We do not have access to tranquilizers.
- Q: Can START nurses tell when someone is still a virgin?
A: No. We do not perform exams to verify virginity.



Common Statistics and Sources

- ◆ **1 out of 4 women will be abused by a current/former partner at one point in their lives**
Tjaden, P. & Thoennes, N., National Institute of Justice and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, "Extent, Nature, and Consequences of Intimate Partner Violence." (2000)
- ◆ **More than 1 million people report a violent assault by a partner every year in the U.S.**
U. S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, (2000). Intimate Partner Violence. NCJ 178247.
- ◆ **National healthcare costs for DV are approximately \$4.1 billion**
U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control. March, 2003. *Costs of Intimate Partner Violence Against Women in the United States*. Atlanta, GA: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
- ◆ **Among women admitted to the emergency room, 37% were abused by an intimate partner**
Rand, M., U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, "Violence-Related Injuries Treated in Hospital Emergency Room Departments" (1997)
Biroscak, B.J., Smith, P.K., "Intimate Partner Violence Against Women in Michigan: Findings from Emergency Department Surveillance, 1999-2000". Lansing, MI: Michigan Department of Community Health: August 2003
- ◆ **Over 100 DV-related homicides occur in Michigan each year**
Michigan Uniform Crime Report: http://www.michigan.gov/msp/0,1607,7-123-1645_3501_4621--,00.html
- ◆ **1 in 3 Michigan families experience DV**
Michigan Family Independence Agency, Domestic Violence Treatment and Prevention Board, 1996, statewide survey of women aged 18 – 69)
- ◆ **Approximately 98% of batterers are male in the U.S.**
Callie Marie Rennison (2001). *Intimate Partner Violence and Age of Victim, 1993-1999*. Bureau of Justice Statistics Special Report. Washington DC: U.S. Department of Justice. NCJ #187635.
- ◆ **50% of homelessness among women and children can be attributed to DV**
Workplace Violence Institute
- ◆ **Women are victims in 85% - 95% of all reported DV**
U.S. Dept. of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics. February, 2003. *Intimate Partner Violence, 1993–2001*. NCJ 197838, p. 1.



**You're Invited to A Party to
Honor HAVEN!**

Have Fun with Friends and Help Make a Difference!

Hosted By _____

At _____

Address _____

Date and Time _____

Phone _____

Learn about HAVEN, domestic and sexual violence and what you can do in your community to help. Please join us to learn and get inspired. Our goal is to raise awareness,bring hope to others and have fun! No sales pitch, no pressure.

Please call me with questions and to R.S.V.P.





Information Request Form

Yes, I Would Like to Make a Difference!

Name: _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email Address _____

I would like:

_____ to receive HAVEN's monthly electronic Newsblast _____ to make a donation

_____ to learn more about Planned Giving _____ to receive information about upcoming events

_____ to participate in responding to legislative initiative _____ participate in HAVEN's Speakers' Bureau

_____ to receive HAVEN's periodic Newsletter _____ information on volunteering

_____ information on how my workplace can be involved:

Other:

Please join us to learn and get inspired. Learn about HAVEN, domestic and sexual violence and what you can do in your community to help.

**Please return to:
HAVEN
Development Department
P.O. Box 431045
Pontiac, MI 48343-1045
Or FAX to 248-334-3161**

