

Shirt Making Sessions

The Women's Resource Centre will be hosting several shirt making sessions:

March 31st, 10–12 pm

April 6th, 1–3 pm

April 7th, 10–12 pm

Come out and create a shirt to reflect your own personal experience with violence or in memory of a woman who has been a victim of violence.

T-shirts and shirt decorating materials will be supplied during these sessions.

Please note that you do not have to be artistic to create a moving, personal tribute. Any remembrance is appropriate, whether simple or elaborate, painted or sewn.

Come back on April 13th from 10–4 pm for our Open House where you can make a shirt or view the Clothesline Project on display in recognition of the National Victims of Crime Awareness Week April 10-16th, 2011.

The shirts will remain on display until April 21st in recognition for the Prevention of Violence against Women Week, April 17-23.

If you or someone you care about is experiencing abuse there is help available.

Please call the Women's Resource Centre at 250-992-8472.



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THE CLOTHESLINE



P R O J E C T

*Bearing Witness to
Violence Against Women*

**A visual display
that bears
witness to
violence against
women.**

What is the Clothesline Project?

The Clothesline Project is a visual display that bears witness to violence against women. A clothesline is hung with shirts that have been decorated to represent a particular woman's experience, by the survivor herself or by someone who cares about her.

The original Clothesline Project began in 1990 in Hyannis, Massachusetts and since that time have occurred in communities all across the world.

The purpose of the project is four-fold:

- ◆ To bear witness to the survivors as well as the victims of the war against women.
- ◆ To help with the healing process for people who have lost a loved one or are survivors of this violence.
- ◆ To educate, document, and raise society's awareness of the extent of the problem of violence against women.
- ◆ To provide a nationwide network of support, encouragement and information for other communities starting their own Clothesline Projects.

*Never doubt
that a small group
of thoughtful,
committed citizens
can change the world;
indeed,
it's the only thing
that ever has.*

- Margaret Mead



Some Facts About Violence Against Women:

- ◆ One out of every three women will be a victim of violence in her lifetime .
- ◆ One to two women are murdered by a partner or ex-partner in Canada every week.
- ◆ In Canada, an act of male violence against women occurs every six minutes.
- ◆ Each year, women's shelters take in between 90 000 to 100 000 women who have experienced violence.
- ◆ In Quesnel, our transition house shelters over 200 women annually.
- ◆ The Women's Resource Centre serves approximately 2,000 women annually.