



MISSOURI SHORES DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CENTER

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Dear Supporter:

Once again it is time for our annual membership drive! Each year in October, Missouri Shores Domestic Violence Center actively looks for past and future supporters, family, friends, and community members to help us continue our services by renewing their membership or becoming a member.

For a minimum of \$40, you can help the yearly average of 700 men, women, and children who seek our services. Many of the individuals we help come to us with little or no hope of overcoming such life-changing events as domestic violence, sexual assault, or human trafficking. Our non-profit agency helps survivors navigate a healthy path toward healing and brings that light – known to many of us as **hope** – back into their lives. There is no universal response to domestic violence, sexual assault, or human trafficking. People handle crisis in their own way. Victims and survivors do the best they can at the time and Missouri Shores staff and volunteers are educated on how to offer judgment-free services.

We hope you recognize the importance of your support for our services. By standing with Missouri Shores and becoming a member, each person being abused right here at home will know abuse is not okay. By being supportive to a family member or friend, helping them make the call, driving them to our office, helping them find the support they need to live a life free of violence, we will show everyone **this community does not stand for abuse!**

Some reasons to make a contribution to Missouri Shores Domestic Violence Center would be:

- You have never needed our services;
- You know someone who has received our services;
- You hope everyday that someone you love gets out of an unhealthy relationship;
- You know someone who has died because of domestic violence;
- You know someone who has been raped or sexually abused;
- You want to be part of the **hope** we instill in all persons seeking our assistance;
- Your yearly membership is about to expire;
- Because you can!

With the status of our largest fundraiser, Hollywood Tonight, uncertain, becoming a member in 2020 is more important than ever before. Thank you for your past, present, and future contributions!

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MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please sign me up for an annual membership. My payment in the amount of \$40 (or more) is enclosed.

Name: _____

Address: _____

*If you would like to donate via credit card, please call 605-224-0256

In remembrance of someone special in your life, please consider a donation to Missouri Shores Domestic Violence Center in their memory or honor.

In memory/honor of: _____

By: _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM WITH YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO

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Donations of any amount are gratefully accepted and tax deductible



Your support allows Missouri Shores Domestic Violence Center to provide services at no charge to 700 men, women, and children each year. Last year, we answered 354 crisis calls, provided 4,218 shelter nights, gave emergency financial assistance 540 times, and assisted with obtaining 57 protection orders. Unfortunately, due to funding restrictions or other barriers, we were unable to provide emergency shelter to 7 individuals. Your contribution allows us to help more victims and survivors and increases our capacity for helping those in need.

Your contribution allows us to continue providing:

- 24-hour confidential crisis line and immediate crisis intervention
- Crisis counseling
- Emergency shelter
- Assistance with filling out protection and stalking orders
- Support groups for adult and child survivors of domestic violence, sexual, and human trafficking
- Assistance with acquiring housing, employment, and child care