

POINTS OF INTEREST

- Get your WCSO raffle tickets now! \$25 a ticket for a chance to win \$5000
- Save The Date!! 14th Annual WCSO is on Thursday, March 12, 2009

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The Battered Women's Program

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Welcome to the 1st eNewsletter: Moving Forward, Looking Back

Welcome to this first edition electronic newsletter! We are excited about this new format and hope that all of our loyal readers and supporters embrace the new changes. You probably noticed that the electronic format is not the only change to this newsletter...we have a "new" name! Well, actually, the name is not new at all.

As we were working on this edition of the newsletter, we wanted to learn a little more about the history of "The Advocate." What we learned is that many years ago, a newsletter called "On Call" was produced for the crisis line volunteers.

CAFVIC staff soon realized that it was not only crisis line volunteers who needed to be informed about what our agency was doing. CAFVIC staff decided that a newsletter would be produced to inform the community about CAFVIC and our mission of ending domestic violence in the Capital Area.

It was decided that the name of the CAFVIC newsletter would be "The Woman's Advocate." Somehow, through the years, the "Woman's" was dropped from the name and the newsletter became "The Advocate."

We feel that it is important to bring the "Woman" back and to embrace our roots of advocating for all women in our community. So, as we move forward by embracing new technology, we also keep firmly attached to our mission of being *Women's Advocates* as we work to meet our mission of **ending domestic violence in our community.**

CAFVIC Awarded
Louisiana Seal of Excellence Nonprofit Organizations

The Capital Area Family Violence Intervention Center, Inc., (CAFVIC) known as the Battered Women's Program, is pleased to announce that it has been awarded the **Louisiana Standards for Excellence Seal of Excellence**. CAFVIC is one of six Louisiana organizations who received this recognition in November 2008, bringing the number of Louisiana Seal of Excellence Nonprofit Organizations to 53. The Louisiana Association for Nonprofit Organizations (LANO), is the sponsor of the certification process, and has more than 1,000 nonprofit organization members in Louisiana. CAFVIC is appreciative of the quality of work provided by the employees, volunteers, and board members who provide the leadership and quality services that helped CAFVIC achieve this status.

The **LANO Seal of Excellence** is a tribute to the leadership by our volunteer Board of Directors that accepts responsibility to oversee the organization's mission, policies, programs, human and financial resources. It is recognition of the level of nonprofit management which identifies organizations that have evaluation systems in place to measure the effectiveness of their programs, and adhere to sound financial management policies.

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SPACE NEEDED!!

Due to the growth of the outreach office in Gonzales and to damage from Hurricane Gustav, we are looking for a new office in Gonzales. If you have space or know someone who has space that they are willing to donate or rent at a reduced rate, please contact Vikki or Kim at 389-3001 or 644-4916

Major Funders



Message from Executive Director Martha G. Forbes, M.P.A., LCSW

Forecast for 2009

This forecast is more a list of hopes for the Capital Area during the next twelve months. As each year is a prelude to the next, there is hope for continued positive motion towards a more positive forecast each year.

Forecast: A safe community, where women, children, and men can go about their everyday business without fear of someone stalking them, or abusing them behind closed doors, or threatening harm to their loved ones. Last year CAFVIC provided services to more than 2500 survivors of domestic violence, and we expect, based on our available resources to be again to continue those services. CAFVIC can extend services to the community because of the generosity and support of citizens and organizations who believe in our mission to end domestic violence.

Forecast: Each community will come together to develop a safety net for victims of domestic violence, to hold perpetrators accountable, and to work towards an end to domestic violence. CAFVIC does not act alone. Services for survivors of domestic violence are an important part of our mission, but we must also provide public education and social change activities as well. A community network is needed to keep a community safe – even with something as illusive as domestic violence appears to be. Our agency works each day with the Clerks of Courts, the law enforcement agencies, the schools, the medical community, the neighborhood leaders, the churches, and any other system that can address those signs of domestic abuse in our community. The Coordinated Community Response Teams (CCRT) in Ascension, East and West Feliciana, Iberville, and Pointe Coupee parishes are very effective in developing a safety net for victims of domestic violence, and we will see them develop even further capacity this year. We expect to add a CCRT in East Baton Rouge in 2009.

Forecast: Law enforcement agencies will still experience a high number of calls that are directly related to domestic abuse. We expect this year that more victims and neighbors and family members will call law enforcement more often because they know a crime is being committed.

Forecast: Victims of the crime of domestic abuse will become more comfortable with acknowledging the abuse, and will understand that she did not cause the abuse to happen. More survivors of domestic abuse will call our crisis line, or talk with a close and trusted friend, in order to begin that journey to safety – because they will know that they are not alone, there is help in our community.

Forecast: There will be no murders caused by domestic abuse this year. In 2008 there were at least six women and five children murdered in the Capital Area as a result of domestic violence. In 2007 there were as many as seventeen murders in the capital area. This year we want the number to be zero: domestic violence is too costly to our family and our communities.

Forecast: Together we can meet our mission to end domestic violence in the Capital Area through quality services to victims of family violence, educating the public about family violence, and eliminating economic, social and cultural conditions and attitudes that contribute to domestic violence.

Thank you for your continued support as work
to meet of mission of
ENDING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

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We Need Your Voice: Get Involved in the Political Process

Loyal supporters, we need your help. Due to budget shortfalls, Governor Jindal is cutting over 341 million dollars from the State budget. While most of the budget cuts will be in health care and higher education, we want to make sure that domestic violence programs in Louisiana do not receive any further cuts. For the 2008-2009 fiscal year, the budget for domestic violence programs was cut and the twenty state programs received \$300,000 less funding from the State than in previous years. These funds are vital for the operation of the Shelter and for offering services in the rural parishes. To ensure that we are able to continue offering services to survivors of domestic violence, WE NEED YOUR HELP! With our current funding situation, our ability to provide additional needed services is very limited.

Write to your local Senator and Representative and let them know that you support full funding of domestic violence programs and educate them about the important services these programs offer. You can find the contact information for your congressional representative in the left margin or at www.legis.state.la.us

You can also write to Governor Jindal and let him know that you do **not** support budget cuts for domestic violence programs. Governor Jindal can be reached through www.gov.state.la.us. Let the Governor know that providing domestic violence services is at the core of the state's responsibility to provide safety and security to its citizens.

You can also lend your voice to support domestic violence programs at the national level. You can write to Rep. Cassidy at www.house.org and to Senators Landrieu & Vitter at www.senate.org and let them know that you support the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) and full funding for VAWA. Newly elected Vice President Joe Biden was one of the original authors of VAWA and we are hopeful that full funding of VAWA will be a priority of the new administration.

Let your voice be heard! Encourage support of programs for battered women and their children.

LANO Seal of Excellence (continued from Page 1)

The LANO Seal of Excellence also assures that organizations have information available to the public, provide truthful responsible stewardship of all donations, and provide a voice for their constituents. And, because of these assurances, the Seal is a symbol for trust through its dedication to obey the laws governing its operations and activities, but to also proceed in an ethical manner as it approaches its mission and responsibility to the public.

CAFVIC is proud of this achievement, and is grateful for the continued support of individuals, families, organizations, businesses, foundations, and government entities that help us provide the vital services to survivors of domestic violence in the Capital Area. We are committed to meeting our mission to end domestic violence through quality services, education of the public, and social change within our community. Please know that we will continue to strive to provide quality services and to keep you informed about our program. We make this commitment in honor of the many survivors throughout our communities who show by example everyday that we need a safer community, and by their experiences and their strength, let all of us know that we must keep working together to make every community a safe community.

Donor Recognition

\$1000-\$3000

St. Patrick Catholic Church*
Honorable Kitty Kimball
Here Today, Gone Tomorrow
Kean Miller & Associates
Spanish Town Ladies Auxiliary
Exxon Mobil Foundation (Felix Cole)
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Ernest Eldred
First Christian Church
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Melissa Higgins
Steven Wagner
Stoma's Furniture
U Frame Shop

* These groups, organizations and companies collected donations from individual members and made a donation. Many of these groups collected donations from individuals in lieu of exchanging Holiday gifts and/or having Holiday parties. We are appreciative to all of the individuals from these groups who made donations.

We thank all of the generous community members, organizations and businesses who support our organization and the work that we do on behalf of women and children in our community.

\$100-\$499

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\$1-\$99

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Wava Wray
Candy Wright
YWCA

Due to unexpected computer problems, we were not able to include all individuals, groups, organizations, and companies who made donations in December. We will recognize these generous donors in our February Newsletter. We thank you for your understanding and appreciate your support.

Christmas Angels & Elves: Sharing the Spirit of the Holidays with Those in Need

As I sit (finally) at my computer and try to organize my thoughts, I am overwhelmed at the generosity and love shown to our families and children throughout the holiday season. I feel blessed to be the messenger of hope to the moms and the deliverer of gifts, gift cards and packages. If the look of surprise has ever been brighter, I cannot imagine the situation. Some of the moms were speechless and called back later to say thanks, "and are you sure this is all for us? It's so much!" Or "My children have never had this many presents before!" "This will be our best Christmas ever!" "I can't believe someone cared enough to do this for us!" "You mean someone is just helping me pay my rent for no reason???" Some moms just cried... and couldn't talk. Of course, we teared up right along with them.

Our incredible staff deserves a standing ovation for keeping it together during the holidays, continuing to smile through their exhaustion, providing support to moms who were very emotional during the holiday season, and keeping up with paperwork in the midst of the busiest time of the year. Our child advocates, Shonn and Lakeisha, are awesome, our residential advocates, Rita, Yaskia and Jennipher, are troopers and our Non-Residential team, Sandra and DeAnna, are the masters of the phone. This group supported by our Outreach staff, Kim, Angela and Cindy, make up our quintet of shining staff for Non-Residential. While the advocates were hustling to stay afloat of paperwork, the RAs, Maxie, Renae, Michelle, Anna, Lavita, Lenora and Donald were stabilizing the Zonta House with the ever mindful attention to detail, supply donations and chores. Miss Pat kept the kettle cooking with delicious meals and treats for the families. Support from our Administrative Staff was crucial during the hectic days of giving. Kathy, Amy, and Sheena skillfully answered hundreds of phone calls while Summer was coordinating special activities with the Children's Dept. Alicia was meeting tons of new patrons, while Martha C and Martha F were trying to prepare for next year in the midst of taking photos and thanking donors. It truly does take the team to pull this feat off successfully. But in the end, all of our children had received their gifts in a quiet, peaceful place, had the opportunity to celebrate with their moms and siblings together without fear, and to participate in a variety of activities. Who knew that having fun could be so exhausting!!??!!

So, from our hearts to yours, we send the deepest of thanks and appreciation for helping the families and children that we serve to have a memorable, peaceful Christmas! Just know that you made a huge difference in the lives of all you touched....and that is the Christmas spirit at its best!

Special Thanks to the Following Elves:

Roxanne Gonzales –Mary Kay Director from Gonzales who provided special gifts for all of the moms and the teens.

The Baton Rouge Evening Lions Club led by the fearless Governor George Baker and his wife, Rhonda, held an exciting auction to benefit the purchase of Christmas wishes for the children....Rhonda, George and Janet went shopping to make those wishes come true. Many, many thanks for their tireless efforts!

Stacy Singletary and her brother, **Perry Lambert**, organized their family members to take up a collection to help DV survivors with their rent, purchase of tires/car repair and bunk beds for women starting over. Their efforts have made it possible to help make Merry memories for many of our moms and children.

Healing Place Church, one of our community collaborative partners, provided pajamas for our children so that everyone had new pj's and gowns for the holidays. That coupled with a copy of the book, Polar Express, made a wonderful gift for the families. Thanks **Cheryl** for coordinating that effort!

A new family project for **Zulay** and her extended family included making cookies and stockings for the children. The stockings were filled with age appropriate items from baby toys to flash lights for the teens. Thanks to you for your time and for sharing your cookie tradition with us!

Women's Council of Greater Baton Rouge for their donation of personal care items and gifts to the moms.

Direct General Insurance employees, coordinated by **Jennifer and Daisy**, new elves this year who generously provided donations of toys galore for our survivors and their children. We welcome them to the elf club!

Borders Book Store collected books and gifts from patrons and supplied them for our children and families. We love to encourage reading...so many, many thanks to them for their support!

Other outstanding new elves this year were **Aaron and Celeste** who spearheaded **BJ's Brewhouse**, **Michelle at Cheesecake Bistro** (who raised over 1000 pounds of food for the Shelter), **Jason L.**, **Erin at Red Door Interiors**, **Allison L.**, and **LA Healthcare Review**. The elves at **OLOL Day Surgery Center** were led by **Trina**, while **Carmen** took on the challenge at **Starbucks on Essen Lane**. **Avant Garde** adopted a huge family and made their wishes come true. **Misty** led the forces at **Greenbriar Elementary School** while **Andrea** organized the elves at **Talbot's**.

Children participated in helping other children through the **Girl Scouts Organization** making bracelets for the children and moms.

Many Blessings,
Vikki Peay, LCSW- Director of Direct Services



Santa, Troy Landry, and other elves get ready for the Holiday Party.

Volunteer Training Schedule

January 20th- 12pm-1:30pm

January 24th- 9am-5pm

January 31st- 9am-5pm

February 7th- 9am-5pm

All trainings will be at the Shelter and lunch will be provided for Saturday Trainings.

Contact Us

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Baton Rouge, La
70892

24 Hour Crisis Line

225-389-3001
1-800-541-9706
1-888-411-1333
(statewide)

Volunteer LSU Holiday Party

On Saturday, December 6th, Santa and almost 50 volunteers from LSU visited the Shelter to host a party for the children. Chief Elf, **Stella O'Rourke**, did an amazing job of working for months to get this great event planned. She coordinated with *Volunteer LSU: Youth Programs, CH2M Hill, AKA Sorority, Tri Delta Sorority, Delta Zeta sorority, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Middleton Library, African American Cultural Center, LSU Theater Department, 459 Commons, Office of Campus Life, NAACP, Sociology Club, Sociology Department, Wal-Mart, and the LSU Athletic Department*, to make sure that the children at the Shelter would have a Christmas to remember. Stella and her elves got over **300 toys** donated for our children. The group also managed to schedule a very busy **Santa** to come to the Shelter to hand out the gifts. In addition to gifts and Santa, the LSU volunteers also transformed the solarium into a winter wonderland filled with snow, a Christmas Tree, decorations and Holiday Cheer. **Many thanks to all of the wonderful Elves from LSU!**

14th Annual Women Chefs' Show Off

Baton Rouge, LA – Capital Area Family Violence Intervention Center- Battered Women's Program will be presenting their **14th Annual Women Chefs' Show Off** to be held March 12, 2009, 6:00-9:00 pm at the Sheraton Hotel Convention Center –Atrium. The Annual Chef Show Off is the major fundraising activity for the Battered Women's Program. **Chef Coordinator, Jeanette Eisworth** with **Don's Seafood & Steakhouse** is working toward creating a memorable event that will tantalize the taste buds with the variety of dishes that will be served. This year will feature many new and returning restaurants and chefs preparing mouth watering dishes for the event goes to taste. Come and taste mouthwatering dishes prepared by Juban's, The Silver Spoon, Sharing Shores, Mestizo's, Don's Seafood, Sweet Impressions Cakes & Desserts, the Louisiana Egg Commission, Copeland's Cheesecake Bistro and many others. Last year's event over 600 gathered to taste the dishes prepared by Mansur's Restaurant, Ruffino's, The Little Village Restaurant, Serop's Café, DiGiulio Brothers Italian Café, Chef Don Bergeron, Portobello's Grill, just to name a few, and they are expected to return again this year to tempt your palette.

During the evenings event participants will be able to bid on many unique and exciting silent auction items and someone will leave with a **1st Prize of \$5000**. A \$25 Raffle Ticket will put you in the running to take home the 1st Prize; only 1000 tickets have been printed and your chances to win are great. You can purchase a **Raffle Ticket** by calling the Battered Women's Program at 225-389-3001 or contact any Board of Directors member.

This year's event will prove to be another **Chef Show Off** to remember with musical entertainment, great food and beverage, wonderful and unique silent auction items, and great friends to share it with. Tickets for the event are **\$65** per person. Tables of 10 can be purchased for **\$600** and Sponsorship Opportunities begin at **\$1000**. Tickets and Sponsorship information can be obtained by calling the Capital Area Family Violence Intervention Center- Battered Women's Program at 225-389-3001 or going to www.Blacktie-Louisiana.com.

On any given day, over 5000 women in our community will be beaten by their current or former intimate partner. www.stopdv.org

BWP Gallery



BASF Staff members and CAFIC Staff members take part in the **BASF** Golf Tournament Check Presentation.

BASF
Golf
Tournament
Check
Presentation
Dec. 10, 2008



Mike Cohen, Senior Vice President and General Manager of **BASF's** Geismar site, presents \$20,000 check to Martha Forbes, Executive Director of CAFVIC



Mr. J.G. Guillory and his wife **Vivian** (not pictured) present a check to CAFVIC ED Martha Forbes and Board Member Sylvia Duke.



Members of the **Louisiana Medical Alliance** present donation to CAFVIC who gives them a certificate at annual brunch.



Community members meet as they make donations for the Holiday's



Employees from **Bath and Body Works** Adopt -A-Family



Vikki Peay accepts donation from local **Daisy Scout Troup**.

Volunteer LSU Holiday Party: The elves are busy getting set up!



No gift is too small to make a difference: www.stopdv.org \$5 buys a meal, \$10 buys diapers, \$20 buys a week-long bus pass. www.stopdv.org

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Donate Now!

You can make a donation by clicking on the link to our website or to the Black Tie website. Donations are used to provide services to survivors and to educate the community about domestic violence.

www.stopdv.org

www.blacktielouisiana.com

WISH LIST

Due to the overwhelming generosity of the community during the Holiday's we have many of the items that are on our agency wish list. Many thanks to all of you who spread the Holiday spirit by making donations. Though we received many items on our wish list, we still have some wishes that need to be filled. If you are interested in helping with one of the wishes listed below, please call us at 389-3001.

Kitchen Items- Due to health concerns, we use disposable eating utensils, plates, bowls and cups at the shelter. When we are at capacity in the Shelter, we can go through over 200 of each disposable item a day. **Need: plastic utensils, plates, bowls, cups & saucers.**

Refrigerator Compressor- We have a large walk-in cooler at the Shelter that stores all of the perishable items that we serve. During the Holiday's, the compressor went out and the estimate to repair/replace the compressor is **\$1,500. Need: Financial donations to cover the cost of repair/replacement.**

Storage Shed- We receive many calls from community members who want to make donations to our agency, but we can only accept a small portion of the donations because we lack the storage space. We are looking for community groups, organizations, churches, and/or businesses who are willing to purchase and/or build a storage shed on our grounds that can be used for donation storage. The additional storage will allow us to better meet the needs of the women and children that we work with. **Need: Storage shed or financial donations to be used toward the purchase of the shed and/or building supplies.**

Financial Assistance- Many of the women we work with need a little extra help in securing safe and independent living. These survivors need help with rent, car maintenance and repairs, utility bills and other emergency expenses. **Need: Financial donations that can be used to help cover these costs.**

Without your support, we would not be able to offer life-saving services to the women and children we serve!

Our Mission

**OUR MISSION
TO END DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
THROUGH:**

- * SERVING THE VICTIMS OF FAMILY VIOLENCE
- * EDUCATING THE PUBLIC ABOUT FAMILY VIOLENCE
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**REMEMBER!
WE COLLECT USED CELL
PHONES—FOR 911 AND FOR
RECYCLING**



In- Kind Donations

Mike	Julian
Jessica	Anderson
Jan	Boydstun
Kim	Cabullero
Annette	Cotton
Roxanne	Cranfield
Gerald & Julie	Daigle
Taylor	Dicharry
John	Fabre
Charles & Martha	Forbes
Faye	Franklin
Charlotte	Galloway
Bryon	Garrety
Kirby	Gladden
Roxanne	Gonzales
Kendall	Hebert
Rachel	Higgenbotham
Angela	Hubbard
Gwen	Jenkins
Bonnie	Jones
Kimberly	Jones
Rick & Armetta	Wright
Patsy	Peritt
Elizabeth	Walker

Alecia & Greg	Kleinpeter
Allison	Lang
Ada	Lewis
Carla	Lewis
Nina	Mendoza
Amy	Oliver
Ben	Ortego
Jonathan	Parker
Vikki	Peay
Amy	Piercy
Cindy	Rome
Pete	Rusoma
Robert	Seiver
Kristina	Shapiro
Peggy	Smith
Virginia	Snedeker
Charles & Carolyn	Stutts
Charlie	Thames
Mary	Wells
Heath	Woods
Pam	Wylie
Sylvia	Duke
Jean	Barrett

In addition to the all of the donations that we received during the Holiday's, we also had many groups who can to the Shelter to spread some Holiday cheer. We would like to thank all of those groups: Delta Gems of Delta Sigma Theta, Shaw Employees, LSU Brass Ensemble lead by Jeanette Little, MOKA Cheer, University Baptist Church Quartet and many others.

Additional Elves

- * Louisiana Workers Compensation Employees
- * Women's Council of Greater Baton Rouge
- * Victoria's Secret @ Cortana Mall.
- * University of Phoenix
- * Victoria's Secret Fragrance Store
- * Graybar Electric Employees

Baton Rouge Sigma Alumnae Chapter Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Public Sero Cox Communications Exide Technologies First Unity Church Gables Academy KeepSafe, Inc. Unitarian Church of Baton Rouge St. Luke's United Methodist Church Southern Living at Home St. John Baptist Church National Association of Letter Carriers Auxiliary #2210	Baton Rouge Gallery Acadian Frames Women's Council of Greater Baton Rouge LA Maison Day Care Pierre Part Christian Church Sentinel Marketing Group (Starlite Foundation) Camelot College Garrety and Associates, CPAs LLC Victoria's Secret Pink Mary Kay Postlewaite & Netterville St. Isidore Mothers Bowlers
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Domestic violence prevention continues to be a grass roots effort. The work continues only through the support of dedicated people in our local communities. Without your help, there are few options in our community for women and children caught in this terrible cycle.

Every \$25 donation ensures that one caller will receive hotline counseling, emergency planning and emotional support any time, night or day.

Every \$50 provides one woman or child with emergency food, a safe place to stay and transition assistance.

Every \$100 provides training and educational material for 50 young people in our community.

Every \$500 pays for legal advocacy for a woman and children to remain safely in their own home.

Every \$1000 provides for a week stay for a family of 4 at the Shelter.

Every \$5500 provides a day's operating expenses for the agency (CAFVIC).

With your gift, we are able to provide:

- 24-hour, 7-day a week hotline services
- Emergency shelter services
- Children's programming
- Legal advocacy
- Prevention, education and outreach

Donor Categories

Meal Sponsor.....	up to \$149
Children's Sponsor.....	\$150 - \$499
Protective Order Sponsor	\$500 - \$1499
Crisis Line Sponsor	\$1500 - \$2499
Shelter Sponsor	\$2500 - \$4999
Program Sponsor	\$5000 and over

HELP Us Make a Difference in OUR COMMUNITY!!!

HELP Break the Cycle!!!

HELP Keep Families Safe in their Own Homes!!!



We need your help to continue our mission to end Domestic Violence in the 10 parish Capital Area. Please help the Capital Area Family Violence Intervention Center/Battered Women's Program provide needed services to as many women and children as possible by making your tax-deductible gift today. Please return this form to: **CAFVIC/Battered Women's Program; P.O. Box 52809; Baton Rouge, LA 70892.** To charge your gift by phone, please call (225) 389-3001 or you may donate online at www.stopdv.org or www.blacktielouisiana.com

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Check \$_____ Payable to: **CAFVIC/Battered Women's Program**

Please charge my (circle one): Visa MasterCard American Express Discover

\$ _____ Card # _____ Exp. Date _____ Security # _____

I would like this donation to be made in Honor of _____ or in the Memory of _____.

Please send acknowledgement of my in Honor/Memory of gift to:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

No gift is too small to make a difference: www.stopdv.org \$5 buys a meal, \$10 buys diapers, \$20 buys a week-long bus pass. www.stopdv.org