



Community leaders unite against a community-wide crime

Domestic Violence Awareness Month launch highlights support for survivors

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., (10/1/2026)- As the Duval County Domestic Violence Fatality Review Report is released, it comes with a clear indication of the scope of domestic violence: there was at least one lethal case of domestic violence in every police district across the county in 2025. While domestic violence is often considered a private, isolated matter, the reality is that thousands of people suffer in all local zip codes each year.

To underscore how widespread domestic violence is, Hubbard House has launched a Domestic Violence Awareness Month social media campaign, #WhereYouAre.

“Your friends, family, colleagues, neighbors- someone you know has experienced domestic violence. Someone you know may be living in abuse right now. Domestic violence is #WhereYouAre, and we need your help to reach survivors,” says Hubbard House President & CEO Dr. Gail Patin.

While domestic violence is committed #WhereYouAre, help is also available #WhereYouAre. Regional law enforcement, city leaders, and other key partners joined in this event to show a unified front supporting survivors and raising awareness of the help that’s available.

“#WhereYou Are is a charge to our community to acknowledge that domestic violence survivors and their advocates are here and everywhere. This call acknowledges that a survivor’s journey is a shared one, one in which community members partner. Each and every one of us can and should play a vital role in a survivor’s story,” says Jacksonville Sheriff T.K. Waters.

These partners are also committed to ending lethal domestic violence, and with that goal comes the release of the annual Fatality Report, which examines trends in lethal cases of domestic violence, to try to determine how to enhance the services and support available to survivors while promoting abuser accountability.

In 2025, there were 16 homicide cases in Duval County connected to domestic violence, resulting in 21 deaths, including three perpetrators who died by suicide. Of the

domestic violence cases, 10 were intimate partner violence and six were family violence- a marked increase in family violence cases.

The Report makes several findings and recommendations, noting that in 2025 there were mental health risk factors in a significant number of cases.

“While homicides overall are declining, domestic violence—and domestic homicides—will always remain a serious concern. With partners like Hubbard House, we can support victims as they seek safety and justice,” says State Attorney Melissa Nelson. “In 2025, our prosecutors secured guilty verdicts in 100% of the felony domestic violence cases they took to trial. We will continue to prosecute these cases with the urgency and resolve they demand.”

The Report examines several other trends and risk factors, including the presence of firearms and the victim leaving the abusive relationship. Recommendations relating to these findings can be found in [the full Report online](#).

To address this community-wide problem, Domestic Violence Awareness Month offers opportunities for the community to come together to create positive change. At Hubbard House’s annual Barbara Ann Campbell Memorial Breakfast on October 21st, Hubbard House will recognize and launch its 50th anniversary. ***At the event, Hubbard House will unveil its new logo, share information about a celebratory Gala, and much more.*** Join Hubbard House at the Breakfast to be the first to see this new look. More information is available [on the Breakfast event webpage](#).

Opportunities to get involved during Domestic Violence Awareness Month:

- Join Hubbard House’s efforts to engage positive men in this mission. We are hosting a community meeting on October 7th. More information is available on [Hubbard House’s events webpage](#).
- Share Hubbard House’s #WhereYouAre social media campaign on Facebook (@HubbardHouseInc), Instagram (@hubbard_house), and LinkedIn (Company/HubbardHouse).
- Spend time in personal reflection outside of the Duval County Courthouse, where 6,447 purple flags will be will remain on the lawn through October. The flags represent each injunction for protection filed in Duval County in 2025.
- Attend Hubbard House’s Barbara Ann Campbell Memorial Breakfast on October 21st. More information about this event can be found [on the event website](#).
 - At this annual event, Hubbard House will launch our 50th anniversary year, including a fresh look and Gala celebration.
- Host a donation drive to help stock the Hubbard House pantry and support the 120 survivors and children in emergency shelter each day. See a list of the most-needed items on [Hubbard House’s website](#).

- Invite a representative from Hubbard House to your business, social club, or other groups to provide information about domestic violence and resources. Learn more about this free opportunity on [Hubbard House's website](#).

Survivors of domestic violence can access help through the 24/7 Hubbard House Hotline at (904) 354-3114 or Textline at (904) 210-3698. Survivors can also make an appointment or walk into the Hubbard House Outreach Center at 6629 Beach Blvd, Monday-Friday from 10AM-2PM. All Hubbard House services are free and confidential.

View the full Domestic Violence Fatality Review Report: www.hubbardhouse.org/press

About Hubbard House:

Hubbard House is the certified domestic violence center serving Duval and Baker counties in Northeast Florida. Hubbard House offers free, confidential shelter and services, including counseling, employment support, housing help, and related areas for survivors of domestic violence and their children. Speak with a trained advocate any time through Hubbard House's 24/7 Hotline at (904) 354-3114 or Textline at (904) 210-3698