



## Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month 2018 Calendar

### February is National Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month

The Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) Program, in the Family and Youth Services Bureau, is proud to support this year’s public awareness campaigns, webinars, social media events, blogs, radio shows, etc. coordinated by our grantees and partners to promote healthy adolescent relationships.

**FVPSA Event Announcement:** Wear orange and join FVPSA on February 14<sup>th</sup> from 9am-11am at an information table in the Hubert H. Humphreys Building/U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (Washington, DC) to observe Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month, raise awareness of healthy relationships, and highlight the work that programs are doing across the country to address relationship abuse among teens. For more information, contact [Christina.Principe@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:Christina.Principe@acf.hhs.gov).

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February 1	<p><b>VAWnet TA Question of the Month: How can we harness the power of our own trauma histories?</b></p> <p>As founder of Priceless Incite, Annika Leonard works with Black teen girls to cultivate their leadership, survivorship and wellness to bring about deep, radical, and cultural solutions to ending violence. In this blog post released on February 1<sup>st</sup>, Annika reflects on her experience working with a new generation of anti-violence movement leaders and offers tips for adults in honoring the voices of young activists and making space for this new leadership in our work.</p>	<p><a href="https://vawnet.org/news/ta-question-month">https://vawnet.org/news/ta-question-month</a></p>
February 5-9	<p><b>NativeLove TDVAM Trainings and Awareness Activities</b></p> <p>NativeLove Staff will be in Nebraska and South Dakota, hosting 3-days of sessions for TDVAM with UMon’HOn Nation youth, University of South Dakota college students, Young Women’s Group in Sioux City, IA and more!</p>	<p><a href="http://www.niwrc.org/events">http://www.niwrc.org/events</a></p>



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February 7 3 pm ET 2 pm CT 12 pm PT	<p><b>Ask an Advocate – Live Edition</b>            Watch as loveisrespect advocates answer relationship questions in Ask an Advocate—Live Edition. If you have questions you’d like to submit for Teen DV Month 2018, send us your “ask” via <a href="#">Facebook</a>, <a href="#">Twitter</a>, <a href="#">Tumblr</a> and Instagram using Teen DV Month in the title. If you need help or have more questions on how to submit your “ask”, feel free to stop by loveisrespect’s <a href="#">Ask An Advocate</a> page!</p>	Follow <a href="#">loveisrespect</a> on Instagram to join
February 8 8pm ET 7pm CT 5pm PT	<p><b>TWITTER CHAT - #ImAnActivist</b>            As part of NRC DV’s #ImAnActivist campaign and storytelling initiative, @NationalDVAM will host a Twitter Chat to lift up and learn from young activist leaders working to advance social justice. National, state, and local partners who aspire to embrace intergenerational, intersectional approaches to social transformation can benefit from the expertise of young activists in this dialogue. This chat will lift up the voices and experiences of young activists in our movement to end gender-based violence, and highlight the importance of building intergenerational approaches to social justice work.</p>	Follow @NationalDVAM and twitter chat #ImAnActivist  Please see the <a href="#">flyer</a> , <a href="#">image</a> , and <a href="#">FB event</a> .
February 12-16	<p><b>Respect Week</b>            Respect Week is dedicated to raising awareness about healthy relationships and dating abuse. This year, through the theme “Hands Unite: Do Your Part,” loveisrespect will empower young people to build healthy relationships, as well as heal, love and share the power of their hands to create meaningful relationships, raise awareness and educate others.</p>	Download the Respect Week Guide at <a href="http://www.loveisrespect.org/resources/teendvmonth">www.loveisrespect.org/resources/teendvmonth</a>



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February 13	<p><b>National Wear Orange Day</b> Wear Orange Day is a national day of awareness where all people are encouraged to wear orange in honor of Teen DV Month. You can wear orange shirts, nail polish, ribbons, jewelry, shoes or anything else you can think of! Tell people why you are wearing orange and post pictures and updates on Instagram and Twitter using the hashtags #Orange4Love #HandsUnite and #RespectWeek2018.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.loveisrespect.org/resources/teendvmonth">www.loveisrespect.org/resources/teendvmonth</a></p>
February 13 8pm ET 7pm CT 5pm PT	<p><b>NativeLove Tweet Circle for Teen DV Month</b> TWEET CIRCLE Collaborators, NativeLove, StrongHearts Native Helpline, We R Native and That's Not Cool, will host a Tweet Circle on Twitter to celebrate Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month.</p>	<p>Details forthcoming.  Check <a href="#">NativeLove Twitter</a> for updates and use the hashtag #TDVAM</p>
February 14 9am-11am ET	<p><b>FVPSA TDVAM and Wear Orange Event</b> Wear orange and join FVPSA on February 14<sup>th</sup> from 9am-11am at an information table in the Hubert H. Humphreys Building/U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (Washington, DC) to observe Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month, raise awareness of healthy relationships, and highlight the work that programs are doing across the country to address relationship abuse among teens.</p>	<p>For more information, contact <a href="mailto:Christina.Principe@acf.hhs.gov">Christina.Principe@acf.hhs.gov</a>.</p>
February 21 3 pm ET 2 pm CT 12 pm PT	<p><b>Ask an Advocate – Live Edition</b> Watch as loveisrespect advocates answer relationship questions in Ask an Advocate—Live Edition. If you have questions you'd like to submit for Teen DV Month 2018, send us your "ask" via <a href="#">Facebook</a>, <a href="#">Twitter</a>, <a href="#">Tumblr</a> and Instagram using Teen DV Month in the title. If you need help or have more questions on how to submit your "ask", feel free to stop by loveisrespect's <a href="#">Ask An Advocate</a> page!</p>	<p>Follow <a href="#">loveisrespect</a> on Instagram to join</p>



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February 22 2-3pm ET 1-2pm CT 11-12pm PT	<p><b>WEBINAR – Rights4Girls: Advocating for the dignity and personhood of young women and girls</b></p> <p>For Teen Dating Violence Awareness &amp; Prevention Month, this webinar will highlight the work of <a href="#">Rights4Girls</a>, a human rights organization focused on gender-based violence against young women and girls in the U.S. Presenters will describe their strategies for centering the experiences of marginalized and oppressed young women and girls in their advocacy efforts to ensure that every girl may possess the right to be safe and live a life free of violence and exploitation.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.nrcdv.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/Rights4Girlswebinar.pdf">https://www.nrcdv.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/Rights4Girlswebinar.pdf</a></p>
February 22 3 p.m. ET 2 p.m. CT 12 p.m. PT	<p><b>loveisrespect Webinar – Hands Unite to End Dating Violence: A Guide to Peer-To-Peer Advocacy</b></p> <p>Learn how to get involved and lend a hand to end dating violence! This webinar is aimed at adult allies and people in the field of dating and domestic violence, including educators, parents and youth organizations. Loveisrespect will provide information and strategies for teaching young people about healthy relationships and how to support one another.</p>	<p>Register for the Webinar:  <a href="https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/1172451418447979779">https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/1172451418447979779</a></p>
February 25	<p><b>NIWRC WEAR ORANGE DAY</b></p> <p>Help <a href="#">Unite to End Violence Women's Empowerment</a>. Organize a morning run, wear orange, take a selfie with your group and post to social media using #UNitetoendviolence &amp; #NIWRCStrongHearts.</p>	
Every Monday in February	<p><b>loveisrespect Healthy Relationship Poll</b></p> <p>Questions will be up every Monday during the month of February. Look for the answers to the poll every Friday right here on the loveisrespect website. We look forward to hearing your reactions and responses!</p>	<p>View the poll questions here:  <a href="http://www.loveisrespect.org/resources/polls/">http://www.loveisrespect.org/resources/polls/</a></p>



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Every Tuesday in February	<p><b>#ImAnActivist Stories of Transformation Podcast Series</b> For Teen Dating Violence Awareness &amp; Prevention Month, NRC DV Radio's Stories of Transformation podcast station will feature the voices of young activists, advocates, organizers, and social change makers ages 12-20, describing "Why I'm an Activist." Stories will be shared highlighting the power of young activists and the unique contributions of young people in community organizing for social justice.</p>	<p>Listen to podcasts here: <a href="https://www.nrcdv.org/nrcdv-media-news/">https://www.nrcdv.org/nrcdv-media-news/</a></p>
All Month	National Latin@ Network: TDVAM factsheet infographic & PDF resource, including posting across all NLN social media platforms	<a href="http://www.nationallatinonetwork.org">www.nationallatinonetwork.org</a>
All Month	NIWRC: Valentine's Day Social Media NativeLove Digital Postcards throughout TDVAM	<a href="http://www.niwrc.org">www.niwrc.org</a>
All Month	<p><b>#ImAnActivist Social Media Campaign</b> This February, NRC DV builds on the campaign for Domestic Violence Awareness Month to highlight the unique roles and contributions of young activists in advancing social change work. For Teen Dating Violence Awareness &amp; Prevention Month, young activists, advocates, organizers, and social change makers are invited to share "Why I'm an Activist."</p>	<p>Follow <a href="https://twitter.com/NationalDVAM">@NationalDVAM</a> and join the conversation on Twitter at #teenDVmonth #ImAnActivist.</p>



### National TDVAM Campaigns

Check out these online hubs for all national activities and promotion of Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month in February. These websites offer resources for youth, adults, and communities that want to plan awareness-raising activities in February.

ORGANIZATION	CAMPAIGN	WEBSITE
loveisrespect	Respect Week 2018 Guide Hands Unite, Do Your Part	<a href="http://www.loveisrespect.org/resources/teendvmonth">www.loveisrespect.org/resources/teendvmonth</a>
Break the Cycle	Healthy Me/Healthy We Campaign	<a href="http://www.breakthecycle.org/teendvmonth">www.breakthecycle.org/teendvmonth</a>

### TDVAM Resources

TOOL	DETAILS	LINK
<b>PreventIPV: Tools for Social Change</b>	Throughout the month of February, the PreventIPV project will feature a tool each week that was developed for and/or by youth to promote healthy relationships with self and others, in recognition of Break the Cycle's theme for Teen Dating Violence Awareness & Prevention Month – <i>Healthy Me/Healthy We</i> . This collection of tools will also be highlighted in the Winter PreventIPV Newsletter, and shared via NRCDV's social media channels.	<a href="http://www.preventipv.org/">http://www.preventipv.org/</a>
<b>Awareness Highlights Blog: Healthy Me/Healthy We</b>	This post in the Domestic Violence Awareness Project's Awareness Highlights blog will explore Break the Cycle's theme for Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month – Healthy Me/Healthy We. The author will identify strategies and tools for incorporating this approach into our movement work with young people.	<a href="https://nrcdv.org/dvam/awareness-highlights">https://nrcdv.org/dvam/awareness-highlights</a>
<b>The Runaway &amp; Homeless Youth Relationship Violence Toolkit</b>	Updated in 2016, this toolkit was developed by and for advocates in the runaway and homeless youth (RHY) and domestic and sexual assault (DV/SA) field to help program better address relationship violence with runaway and homeless youth.	<a href="http://www.nrcdv.org/rhydvtoolkit/">http://www.nrcdv.org/rhydvtoolkit/</a>

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