STEPS THAT SCHOOLS CAN TAKE

- 1. Be sure your school district is following the Lindsay Ann Burke Act:
 - a. Teach about healthy vs. unhealthy relationships (dating violence) in health classes each year from grades 7 thru 12
 - b. Provide dating violence training to all administrators, teachers, nurses, and mental health staff at middle and high schools
 - c. Develop a district policy to address episodes of teen dating violence at school and include this in the student handbook.
 - d. Hold TDV awareness trainings for middle and high school parents
- 2. Teach about TDV across the curriculum.
- 3. Make it clear that it is acceptable to talk about dating violence at school.
- 4. Raise awareness about teen dating violence in your school
 - a. poster contests
 - b. fundraising for domestic violence organizations
 - c. Silent Witness assemblies, plays, events as part of community service

COMMUNITY RESOURCES FOR RHODE ISLAND

National DV Hotline 1-800-799-SAFE

National Coalition Against Domestic Violence www.ncadv.org

National Teen Dating Violence Helpline www.loveisrespect.org 1-866-331-9474

Rhode Island Coalition Against Domestic Violence and SOAR (Sisters Overcoming Abusive Relationships)

24 hour helpline 1-800-494-8100 www.ricadv.org www.soarinri.org

Women's Center of Rhode Island

Greater Providence Area 861-2760

Sojourner House

Northern Rhode Island Area 861-6191 658-4334 765-3232

Blackstone Shelter

Blackstone Valley Area 723-3057

Elizabeth Buffum Chace House

Kent County Area 738-9700

Domestic Violence Resource Center of South County

782-3990 322-6010

Women's Resource Center of Newport/Bristol Counties

847-2533 625-1144 247-2070

Sexual Assault and Trauma Center/Day One

Formerly Rape Crisis Center 421-4100 (call collect) www.dayoneri.org

The Silent Witnesses of Rhode Island

25 Fairfield Drive

North Kingstown, R.I. 02852 741-7694

Katie Brown Education Program

139 South Main St. First Floor Fall River, Mass. 02721 1-508-678-4466

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