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Airdrie RCMP raise awareness for Family Violence Prevention month

Airdrie, Alta - November is Family Violence Prevention Month in Alberta. It is a time to increase awareness of the resources and supports available so we can work together to end family violence and build healthier relationships in our communities. Alberta has the third highest rate of self-reported spousal violence among Canadian provinces, yet family violence is preventable.

Domestic violence or family violence is a systematic pattern of mistreatment and/or neglect that occurs within a relationship that is characterized by trust, intimacy or dependency, and where the mistreatment and/or neglect is used to gain and maintain power and control over the abused person.

Domestic violence presents in different forms, including emotional, psychological, sexual, physical, financial and spiritual abuse. Within these forms, abuse manifests itself in various ways and some forms can be quite subtle and difficult to identify.

On Nov. 30, 2020 at 5:00 p.m, City Hall will be having "Light the Night". Community residents are invited to join us at City Hall for Family Violence Prevention Month. A vigil walk will be held in honour of those who have been impacted by Family Violence.

As well, throughout the month of November, a display of resources and information will be available at Airdrie Public Library.

Show your support this month by wearing purple and using #GoPurpleAB or #WhereToTurn to share your pictures on social media!

Wear purple masks! Wear purple ribbons! Light your porch with purple lights!