

THE ADVOCATE

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ADDING SOME "BOCO" FLAIR

2020 was a year of "unprecedented times" as well as many, many changes. While we were quite busy addressing new ways to serve victims; we also took the time to re-evaluate our organization as a whole. One thing we noticed is that many of our callers and clients are unaware that we are a locally operated non-profit. That's right! We are a community-based organization, ran and operated right here in Beaufort County. So what better way to celebrate our community pride than to add a little "Boco" flair! We proudly introduce... our new logo!

In designing our new logo, it was important to us to showcase what we are all about. So why Purple and Orange? The color purple has been associated with the movement to end violence against women since the 1970's.



The color is meant to be a symbol of peace, courage, survival, honor and dedication to ending violence. And orange? Well, simply put, it is the awareness color for teen dating violence.

LOCAL BOAT RUN RAISES BIG \$\$ FOR SURVIVORS

Haulin' A\$\$ on the Pamlico, an annual boat run from Washington to Belhaven, known for raising money for local charities, chose Ruth's House to be the benefactor of their gracious generosity this year.

The decision in supporting our efforts in ending domestic violence stemmed from the tragic events that occurred in Aurora on January 21, 2020. 25-year-old Alisha Marie Morgan, mother and beloved family member was murdered by her 1 y.o. child's father.

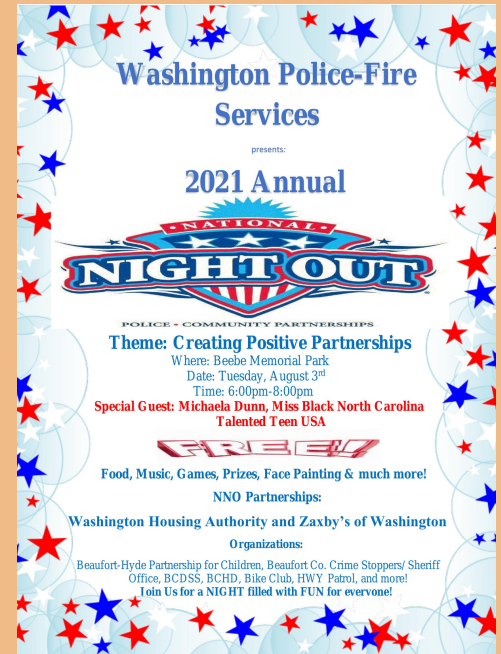
Ruth's House staff was invited to attend a reception the evening before and were able to speak with the Aunt of Ms. Alisha. The nearly \$7,000 raised will be used to directly assist survivors in escaping and living an abuse free life.

If you or anyone you know is experiencing domestic abuse, please call our 24-Hour hotline at 252-940-0007 to begin your journey to safety.

CATCH US OUT AND ABOUT!

The pandemic has had us all locked away for quite a while and we are busting at the seams to get back out into our community. Please sure to come check us out at the events below.

- **NATIONAL NIGHT OUT**
Tuesday August 3
BeeBee Memorial Park
6pm-9pm
- **The Haunted Pamlico Film Festival**
Friday, Sept. 24
Raised in a Barn
5pm-9pm
- **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH**
October
Be on the lookout for more info!



If you have an upcoming event that you would like for us to be a part of, contact us at sheltermanager@ruths-house.org.

CARNIVAL OF DARKNESS: THE HAUNTED PAMLICO FILM (AND HALLOWEEN) FESTIVAL

We are thrilled to be invited back to the Carnival of Darkness: The Haunted Pamlico Film (and Halloween) Festival this year. This is a great opportunity for us to get out, have some fun, and spread awareness about our services. Come get spooky with us during the live events at Raised in a Barn Farm, from 5-9 p.m. Sept. 24.

Attractions include crafts, dancers, singers, fire spinners, concessions, an exhibit of outsider art, horror makeup demonstrations, previews of the Nights of Fright haunted attraction, and much more. Meet actors Amber Dawn Fox, Kaleab Kurtz, Erlik the Gorelord, and loads of other special guests. Admission is \$5 at the gate.

And the spooky doesn't stop there, on Sept. 25 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at our local Turnage Theater there will be screenings and film-industry networking. You will find filmmaker Bev Horvath, organizers of the Down East Flick Fest, members of the Haunted Pamlico family, and others to be announced. Tickets to the screenings go on sale July 1 at the Carnival of Darkness page on FilmFreeway.com. For more information, visit hauntedpamlico.com or email hauntedpamlico1@gmail.com.

MID-YEAR REPORT 2021

FROM JANUARY THROUGH JUNE,

28

victims of domestic violence
received emergency shelter
from an abuser



15

court services were provided,
such as DVPO assistance
and court accompaniments

88

crisis calls were fielded
by trained staff and volunteers

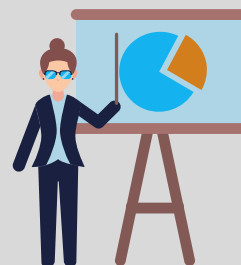


83

counseling sessions,
centered on overcoming
emotional barriers, were
conducted

21

professional training's were
attended by staff and
volunteers



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