

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE GETS OLD



In the month of September, the Bexar County community will have an opportunity to come together with several partner agencies to promote awareness, healing and recovery for victims of elder abuse. Intimate partner violence can start in old age or can be a carry-over from a long-standing marriage, coupled with abuse. The best national estimate is that approximately 550,000 people aged 60 years or older experience abuse or neglect, or both, in domestic settings. Therefore, recognizing the problem of domestic violence against older women, and how to respond to these women's needs is the issue at hand. Researchers, as well as health care practitioners, gerontologists, and community-based providers often overlook older women in the area of domestic violence. For example, an assumption made by researchers is that domestic violence decreases with age and is not a critical issue for older adults. Until recently, it has become evident that domestic violence does exist for older women and will continue to grow with an aging population. *(Brandyl & Cook-Daniels, 2002; Hightower, Smith, & Hightower, 2001).*



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ELDER CONFERENCE

**Hosted by the Task Force
Against Elder Domestic Violence**
Friday, September 9, 2011
St. Anthony de Padua
Catholic Church
102 Lorenz Road
San Antonio, TX 78209
Contact Concepcion
(210) 207-7310 for Details

**HOW TO BUILD A COORDINATED
COMMUNITY RESPONSE TO ELDER ABUSE**

**Hosted by Bexar County and Local Safety
Alliance for Elders Project Team**
Thursday, September 15, 2011
San Antonio Public Library Auditorium
600 Soledad
San Antonio, TX 78205
Contact Crystal
(210) 335-3708 for Details

FJC MONTHLY TRAINING

**THE BEXAR COUNTY
FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER
PRESENTS
CENTER FOR HEALTHCARE
SERVICES CRISIS UNIT**

**LAURA M. SOLORZANO, MS,
QMHP-SS, CLINICAL TRAINER,
WILL DISCUSS THE CRISIS UNIT,
CRISIS LINE, AND MCOT
SERVICES.**

**SEPTEMBER 23RD, 2011
11:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.**

**THIS TRAINING IS FOR
ALL STAFF AND PARTNERS OF
THE FJC.**

**FJC BOARD ROOM
903 W. MARTIN
BUILDING C, 2ND FLOOR
UHS - ROBERT B.
GREEN CAMPUS**

LO BELLO DE SAN ANTONIO



To promote healthy family relationships and reading literacy during the 2011-12 school year, the Family Justice Center provided 50 child witnesses of domestic violence with school supply bags. Along with these supplies, each child received a book that promotes healthy habits, fostering healthy environments, and supports personal growth. By providing these school supplies, the Center was able to help parents dealing with economic hardships related to being a victim of domestic violence. This was made possible through a very generous grant from **Lo Bello de San Antonio!**

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PRESENTS TO MEDICAL
PROVIDERS, CRTS, DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE ADVOCATES...**

**WEDNESDAY,
NOVEMBER 2ND, 2011
LOCATION TBA**