



Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence

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Member Organizations

The Center for Family Justice
Bridgeport, CT

The Center for Empowerment & Education
Danbury, CT

Domestic Violence Program United Services
Dayville, CT

The Network
Enfield, CT

Domestic Abuse Services Greenwich YWCA
Greenwich, CT

Interval House
Hartford, CT

Chrysalis Domestic Violence Services
Meriden, CT

New Horizons
Middletown, CT

Prudence Crandall Center
New Britain, CT

The Umbrella Center for Domestic Violence Services
New Haven, CT

Safe Futures
New London County

Domestic Violence Crisis Center
Norwalk, CT

Women's Support Services
Sharon, CT

The Umbrella Center for Domestic Violence Services
Shelton, CT

Domestic Violence Crisis Center
Stamford, CT

Susan B. Anthony Project
Torrington, CT

Safe Haven
Waterbury, CT

Domestic Violence Program United Services
Willimantic, CT

Statement Regarding the Death & Injury of Bristol Police Officers

Glastonbury, CT – The following is a statement from Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence President & CEO, Meghan Scanlon, regarding the reported domestic violence incident in Bristol that resulted in the death of two police officers and the injury of a third:

"We are deeply saddened by the tragic loss of Sgt. Dustin Demonte and Officer Alex Hamzy, and the serious injury to Officer Alec Iurrato. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family, friends, and colleagues of these brave officers.

No matter the surrounding circumstances, domestic violence calls are the most dangerous calls that law enforcement respond to on a daily basis. They put their lives at risk every day to help protect victims and we are forever grateful for their commitment. Members of law enforcement are our partners in ending this public health crisis and we stand united with them today as they mourn the loss of their brothers.

Domestic violence is a community issue that impacts us all, and that has never been more clear than today. There is a role that each and every one of us can play in keeping each other and our communities safe."

Anyone who feels unsafe in their relationship is urged to call/llamada or text/texto 888.774.2900 or chat/email/correo electrónico at www.CTSafeConnect.org. Bilingual, multi-cultural staff are available 24/7. Safe Connect provides safety planning, extensive resources, and a safe connection to CCADV's 18 member organizations for ongoing support and services locally. All services provided through Safe Connect and CCADV's 18 member organizations are confidential, safe, free, and voluntary. They are provided to all victims and survivors of domestic violence regardless of age, ability, gender identity, sexual identity, racial or ethnic identity, religion, socioeconomic status, immigration status. Family, friends, professionals or anyone who suspects that someone they know is experiencing domestic violence are also encouraged to access information and resources via Safe Connect.

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Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Inc. is the state's leading voice for victims of domestic violence and those organizations that serve them. We are a membership organization of the state's 18 domestic violence organizations. Help is available to victims 24 hours a day, 7 days a week by visiting www.CTSafeConnect.org or by texting/calling (888) 774-2900. For more information about CCADV, please visit www.ctcadv.org.