

## Dear Fellow Supporter:

March 2014 is Sexual Assault Awareness Month in Kentucky. Sexual assault is the most under-reported crime in the world. It is an act of violence that silences its victims; forcing them into darkness. By "Breaking the Silence," we are removing the power of the darkness of sexual assault and focusing "light" onto this subject so that people can talk about it and work together to eliminate it.

We would like to ask you and your group to join us on Thursday, March 27, 2014 for our annual *Take Back the Night* event. There is an old saying: "You can't really understand another person's experience until you've walked a mile in their shoes." This is a fun opportunity for the community to march, rally, and take action to prevent sexual violence.

There is no fee for you or your group to participate in the march, but you and each participant in your group do have to read and sign the attached pledge. You can sign a pledge on your own or you can get a group together to march with you, it's that simple and rewarding!

If you would like some additional information feel free to contact:

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Join us today! Together we can *Take Back the Night*. Get a complete list of events and participating organizations at www.hopeharbor.net

Thanks in advance for your support,

Megan Talcott Community Educator, Hope Harbor, Inc. Elizabeth Madariaga SAAM Committee Co-Chair

## Take Back the Night, Bowling Green!

Take Back the Night is an annual nationwide march and rally that strives to increase community awareness about and prevention of violence against women, children, and families. Bowling Green's local march is scheduled to take place at 6pm on Thursday, March 27, 2014 at the Warren County Justice Center. The one-mile walk around downtown Bowling Green, beginning and ending at the Justice Center parking lot on Center Street, will culminate in a candlelight vigil and moment of silence to honor victims and survivors of violence in our community.

Because sexual violence affects *everyone*; area schools, churches, businesses, civic organizations, community service agencies, families, and individuals are encouraged to make a pledge to help break the cycle of violence. To show your interest in community safety and to take a stand against violence, please complete this pledge form and return it to Hope Harbor / 913 Broadway / Bowling Green, KY 42101 OR fax (270)782-5042. *(To become eligible to receive event t-shirts for your group, pledge contracts must be returned no later than March 17th, 2014 at 8am, and each participant must indicate a size preference).* Thank you for your interest in improving the safety and integrity of our community.

Please see the back of this page for additional sign	gnature lines.	
Individual or Group Affiliation:		Total Number of Pledges:
Group Contact Person:	Email: _	
Phone #:	Mailing Address: _	

We, the undersigned, pledge to take a stand against violence and to promote a safer community for ourselves, our families, our friends, and our colleagues by attending the <i>Take Back the Night</i> rally on March 27, 2014.				
Signature	Email	Phone	T-Shirt Size	