



Purple Light Nights™ Fact Sheet

Join Someplace Safe Inc. as we light up Trumbull County during the month of October to raise awareness of the critical issue of domestic violence. Someplace Safe Inc. is sponsoring Purple Light Nights™, a campaign designed to shine a light on a problem that is often associated with silence and shame. Domestic violence extends far beyond physical abuse. It is a growing problem that can be battled through awareness. Help us ensure the safety of our community's women, children, and teens during Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Here's how you can be a part of this important effort.

Individuals: Individuals can shine a light in their window or on the front porch of their home throughout October – an easy, low-cost way to start the conversation about domestic violence prevention.

Business and Community Partners: Participate by distributing campaign materials, shining a purple light and by finding other creative ways to advance the campaign. As a result of formally becoming a community partner, the company or organization's name will be listed on all campaign and press materials.

Other Participation: Someplace Safe Inc. also encourages colleges and universities, hospitals, city halls, libraries and other such venues to shine a light, set up a display, distribute materials, offer a training or presentation, hold a purple luminary night or find other ways to publicize the campaign.

Remembrance and Support: Purple Light Nights™ is a way to remember domestic violence homicide victims; to celebrate the courage of those who have survived; and to provide hope, information and services to those who are still living with violence and abuse.

History: Purple Light Nights™ was first launched in King County, Washington in October 2007 by the Covington Domestic Violence Task Force. In 2008, Domestic Violence Center, Cleveland brought the campaign to Ohio. Residents, Local businesses, and public institutions shined a purple light in their window or on their porch from October 1st - 31st, during Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The color purple is specifically used because it has long been recognized as the international color symbolic of domestic violence. In 2009, eight counties, along with the Ohio Domestic Violence Network and Jewish Family Services of Columbus join the campaign taking it statewide.

Sponsored by: Someplace Safe Inc., Trumbull County's only domestic violence shelter, seeks to reduce and prevent domestic violence and improve the quality of life for victims of domestic violence. As a dynamic community leader, Someplace Safe Inc. creates solutions and partnerships to address abuse and provide services to those impacted by domestic violence.

Someplace Safe Inc. operates a 24-hour Helpline, provides a safe shelter for women and children, youth programs, community support groups, crisis intervention, safety planning, justice system advocacy, and Community Education.

Bulbs are \$5 each

Designated Location: Someplace Safe Inc., 1540 Tod Ave NW, Warren OH 44485
M-F from 8 am – 4 pm

For questions, more info, or to obtain a light bulb, contact: 330.393.3003
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