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Not On My Watch

Fort Worth, TX – In 2024, Domestic Violence cases accounted for the second highest type of case filed in the Tarrant County District Attorney's Office. Holding offenders accountable for abusing their partners and family members has traditionally presented challenges to law enforcement and prosecutors because of complicated relationship dynamics.

In our office, we work closely with our community partners and police to fill in those long-standing gaps and take domestic violence serious to thwart future abuse and potentially homicide. In October, we recognize those efforts and honor victims of abuse with the "Not on My Watch" campaign.

"Domestic or family violence will not be tolerated here – not on my watch," District Attorney Phil Sorrells said.

October is Domestic Violence Awareness month nationwide and we show our solidarity on social media and in the community to amplify awareness and encourage community engagement.

As part of our efforts, we will present our 2024 Fatality Review findings, along with Safehaven of Tarrant County, to the Commissioners Court on Tuesday, October 14. This report describes the statistics of those who lost their lives in Tarrant County to intimate partner violence last year.

Each year, through this review and our other efforts, we seek to improve our approach to combatting domestic violence and raising awareness because we recognize that interacting with law enforcement, the District Attorney's Office, a hospital, or a service provider can save someone's life through victim resources and accountability of offenders.

We recognize that anyone can be a victim of domestic violence, regardless of race, gender, socio-economic status, or sexual orientation and our commitment extends to all citizens of Tarrant County.

"We seek justice for all victims in Tarrant County," Sorrells said. "No one is alone in this fight."

To report a suspected incident of Intimate Partner Violence, call your local police department. If you are experiencing domestic violence, resources are available. Contact SafeHaven's 24-hour hotline at 1-877-701-7233 for help.

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