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News Release

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Family Tree to Host Workshops on Domestic Violence and Homelessness

What:

Family Tree is offering interactive and up-to-date workshops on domestic violence and homelessness. Family Tree volunteers, staff and the general public are invited to attend. Topics include:

Domestic Violence:

Resources and Safety Issues for Victims

Effects of Domestic Violence on Women and Children

The Criminal Justice System's Response to Domestic Violence

Cultural Considerations and Vicarious Trauma

The different sessions of this workshop will be held on:

Sept. 16 (9 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.), Sept. 21 (6:00 – 9:30 p.m.)

Sept. 30 (9 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.), Oct. 3 (6:00 – 9:30 p.m.)

Oct. 10 (6:00 – 9:30 p.m.)

Homelessness:

The Profile of Homelessness in Metro Denver

Family Tree Programs and Services

This workshop is 3.5 hours and will be held on: Nov. 16 (6:00 – 9:30 p.m.)

WHO:

Among the expert presenters are:

Kimberly Parsons, Victim Witness Assistant, First Judicial District, District Attorney's Office

Linda Pettit, Executive Director, AMEND (Abusive Men Exploring New Directions)

Lynne Sprague, Clinical Supervisor, Family Tree Women In Crisis

Tracey Schlafer, Children and Youth Advocacy Director, Colorado Coalition Against Domestic Violence

The Honorable Roy Olson, First Judicial District Jefferson County Judge

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WHERE:

Family Tree Administrative Offices at 3805 Marshall Street in Wheat Ridge.
Advance registration is required by September 14, for domestic violence workshops and November 12, for homelessness workshop. Cost to the general public is \$15 per person. No cost to current and potential volunteers and Family Tree staff.

CONTACT:

To register or for a more detailed schedule of sessions, please contact Mary Brook, Family Tree volunteer services at (303) 422-2133, X711.

Since 1976, Family Tree has provided services and shelter to help families and youth in crisis overcome child abuse, domestic violence and homelessness. Family Tree's mission is to help people overcome child abuse, domestic violence and homelessness to become safe, strong and self-reliant.