



*Nu's News



* Nu is the Vietnamese birth name for "Girl"

Sexual Assault & Violence Intervention Services of Halton March 2007

SAVIS In Your Community



SAVIS Incredibowl 2007

On February 17, 2007 all of Halton came out to bowl their way to a violence free community. Participants came dressed in their hippest 70s threads for SAVIS' first bowlathon and were treated to an afternoon of cosmic bowling under the mirror ball, food and prizes and lots of laughter!

Now that all the lanes are cleared & the shoes are packed away for another year, we are pleased to announce that we raised over \$19,000!!!



Thank you to all our sponsors, volunteers, team captains and participants. Thank-you for taking the time to raise pledges & come out and bowl in support of SAVIS.

Interested in seeing pictures from event? Check the SAVIS website where pictures will be posted (www.savisofhalton.org)

If you are interested in being part of the planning committee for next year, contact Eunice at SAVIS at 905-825-3622

See you at Incredibowl '08!!!

Volunteer Training

- College/university student looking for front line experience?
- Looking to develop new skills?

SAVIS is **STILL** accepting applicants for the following areas:

- 24 hour crisis line
- Office assistance
- Community booths
- Public Education

All volunteers receive **FREE** extensive training.

Volunteer Orientation:

March 6, 2006

Training Begins March 13, 2007

Contact SAVIS for more information



Things To Think About...

Victims of Violent Crimes in Canada, by type of crime, 2004

Category	Females		Males		Females as a % of all victims
	Total	%	Total	%	%
Sexual Assaults – All Levels	11 738	12.8	1 900	2.2	86.1
Other Sexual Offences	1 273	1.4	356	0.4	78.1
Criminal Harassment	9 145	10	2 838	3.2	76.3

Source: Statistics Canada, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics

Annual Crime Rates 2005 Per 100 000 Population



Type of Crime	Canada	Ontario	Halton Region
Homicide	2.0	1.7	0.7
Attempted Murder	2.4	1.7	0.2
Sexual Assault	72.2	62.2	41
Other Sexual Offences	8.5	4.8	2.6
Robbery	88.8	79.1	32
Breaking and Entering	804.2	545.0	386
Motor Vehicle Theft	496.1	314.8	196
Theft over \$5 000	54.2	46.3	30
Theft \$5 000 and under	1 985.5	1 523.5	1 094
Possession of Stolen Goods	104.9	100.8	26
Fraud	292.7	277.4	223
Other Criminal Code Offences	3 080.7	2 224.2	1 279

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Source: Halton Regional Police Service, Annual Report, 2005 & Statistics Canada



In The News...

STEP IT UP! Campaign

www.stepitupontario.ca

10 Steps To End Violence Against Women

1. Understand that violence against women is an equality rights issues.
2. Recognize that male power is upheld by rape and sexual harassment.
3. Stop racism/oppression; make Ontario accessible.
4. End poverty – NOW!
5. Create and maintain housing, non-profit childcare, training – NOW!
6. Provide fair access to justice for women.
7. Hold violent men accountable for their actions.
8. Stop criminalizing and psychiatrizing women.
9. Demand secure funding for women’s organizations.
10. Listen to survivors and women’s advocates – they are the experts!



Take Back The Night —September 11, 2007

To celebrate “Take Back The Night “2007 SAVIS and its community partners are planning Halton’s 1st Anti-Violence Concert entitled: **“Dare to Dream: Ending Violence Through The Arts.”** This concert will highlight artists from diverse communities , including poets, musicians, spoken word artists and dancers. SAVIS is pleased to have the support of many local community partners including:

- Community Living Burlington
- Halton District School Board
- Halton Organization for Pride & Education (HOPE)
- Halton Regional Police Services
- Halton Women’s Place
- Nina’s Place

MORE TBTN Support Needed!!!

TBTN Support is Needed For:

- Planning Committee
- Advertising
- Sponsorship/Donations
- Talent!!

For more information, contact, Zehra at 905-825-3622 or at education@savisofhalton.org



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Upcoming Events

March:

March 6– SAVIS Volunteer Orientation
March 8—International Women’s Day
March 13—SAVIS Volunteer Training Begins

May:

Sexual Assault Awareness Month

June:

Pride Month
1st Week: Sexual Harassment Awareness Week
For further information, contact Eunice at 905-825-3622.

Food For Thought

“It is clear that the way to heal society of its violence... and lack of love is to replace the pyramid of domination with the circle of equality and respect”.
~Manitonquat



Committee Volunteer Opportunity for SAVIS Members

The SAVIS board has recently completed an audit and revision of the committees that the SAVIS board operates in conjunction with. We have opened three committees up to staff, volunteers and membership to move closer to an inclusive nature at board level. The committees available to make a 2 year commitment to are: fundraising, community awareness and policy and procedures (email based).

The fundraising committee’s purpose is to plan & coordinate fundraising events. The community awareness committee’s purpose is to educate the residents of Halton about the existence and mandate of SAVIS including its commitment to anti-oppression and social action. The purpose of the policy and procedures committee is to update Policies & Procedures and Bylaws manuals as necessary as well as bring to the Board any credible recommendations received to update specific policy.

For committee terms of reference, as well as information about joining a committee please contact administration@savisofhalton.org

