

## Fifth Annual Woodinville Purple Light Nights

### Did You Know?

Domestic violence has a violent impact on women, children and men in our community each and every day. Eighty-five percent of victims are women.

Boys who witness DV are 2x more likely to abuse future partners and their own children.

One in twelve women and one in forty-five men have been stalked in their lifetime.

Almost one third of female homicide victims nationwide were killed by an intimate partner.

Intimate partner violence results in 18.5 million mental health care visits each year.

The cost of DV exceeds \$5.8 billion each year (\$4.1 billion for medical and mental health services).

Victims of DV lost almost 8 million days of paid work due to domestic violence. This loss is equivalent to more than 32,000 full time jobs and almost 5.6 million days of household productivity as a result of violence. (NCADV DV stats)

To raise awareness and encourage action, the City of Woodinville is participating in the Domestic Violence Event Purple Light Nights. The event is designed to increase the awareness of domestic violence issues and its effects on children and families, as well as providing education on building healthy relationships.

Purple is recognized as the international color symbolic of domestic violence. Businesses and private citizens can show their support by displaying purple colored lights on their property (purple colored bulbs in their porch lights or purple colored light strings on shrubs or buildings) from October 1st through October 31st.

