

**WOODBIDGE TOWNSHIP
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESPONSE TEAM**
Remember Their Name
Stephanie Parze Foundation

On July 23, 2025, the Sayreville Domestic Violence Response Team Room was rededicated after major renovation. The project was organized and completed by the Stephanie Parze Foundation www.spfoundation.org. The intent is to provide a room at Police Stations where a victim or survivor can meet with a Domestic Violence Advocate to relate their personal story in a caring, comfortable and soothing environment.

Stephanie Nicole Parze was a beautiful, caring, 25-year old woman from Freehold, NJ. She was a student athlete, a talented artist, and a compassionate, loyal friend to everyone she met. Her natural born talent as an artist brought her much joy as a make-up artist. She also loved children and enjoyed spending time on the beach, on the river, or on the ocean. After she was killed by her abusive ex- boyfriend in 2019, it would take 87 days to find her. This Foundation was created in her name, to prevent and help families cope with situations like Stephanie's.

DVRT Advocates are there as confidential first responders to the victim providing crisis-intervention, education, advocacy and resource information of where they can get the help that they need, from housing assistance, therapy and counseling, legal resources and court preparation should they want and need a restraining order against their abuser. The Domestic Violence Response Team advocates are all volunteers who have completed a State mandated 40+ hour course and continue annual training to ensure they are up to date on the current issues.

Woodbridge's DVRT room is slated to undergo a rededication within the next few months as was Sayreville, again through the generosity and dedication of the Stephanie Parze Foundation. Our mission is to break the cycle of violence and prevent domestic violence wherever possible through education to the public, advocacy and presence at Township events. This is not possible without the efforts of the outstanding Woodbridge Police Department Officers, the support of the Mayor's Office and Town Council as well as partnerships with other Woodbridge Township organizations.

The month of October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month; Woodbridge will be hosting our third annual Candlelight Vigil with the display of Silent Witness Silhouettes honoring those Women and Men victims who lost their lives to Domestic Violence. In Woodbridge, NJ and Middlesex County there are several strong organizations offering domestic violence awareness, support, and advocacy. Here are some key resources:

Local Support & Advocacy

Woodbridge Township Domestic Violence Response Team (DVRT)

1 Main St, Woodbridge, NJ 07095 (732) 634-4500 x2802

A volunteer-driven nonprofit offering crisis intervention, education, and advocacy. They also host awareness events and provide resources for victims and families. There will be a new Volunteer class commencing in early September 2025.

Women Aware – Middlesex County

250 Livingston Avenue, New Brunswick, NJ 08901

24/7 Hotline: 732-249-4504

Offers emergency shelter, legal advocacy, counseling, and creative arts therapy. All services are free and confidential.

Education & Policy

NJ Coalition to End Domestic Violence (NJCEDV)

A statewide organization focused on training, public awareness, and policy reform. They offer resources for survivors, professionals, and community members.

As always if you are in danger, Dial 911 immediately.

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