



# Shining a **light** on violence

## Community Education

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**Prevention is a key component to ending violence in our community.** Violence - in its multiple forms is prevalent in far too many homes, schools, workplaces, and communities. It results in death, injury, trauma, and fear, stifles worker productivity and academic achievement, contributes to the deterioration of families, and carries a heavy financial burden.

The Community Education Department strives to raise awareness and challenge social norms in order to prevent violence. Our work addresses multiple forms of violence (e.g. bullying, family, intimate partner, sexual) and acknowledges the relationships from which they stem.

Innovative, thought-provoking programs are provided to youth, pre-school through college level in Oneida, Herkimer and Hamilton Counties. Professional trainings are provided to law enforcement, medical personnel, clergy, human service providers, for-profit businesses, and civic organizations.

### 2007 achievements:

**Community Education** served 17,372 individuals in Oneida, Herkimer and Hamilton Counties

- Partnered with the Mohawk Valley Resource Center for Refugees to provide domestic violence prevention workshops to Burmese and Karen refugees.
- Created a new curriculum targeting the business community, entitled "Domestic Violence in the Workplace"
- Partnered with the CNY Labor Agency to provide training on workplace violence