October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month!

A month is never long enough to bring all the issues surrounding domestic violence to light but it is an opportunity to engage with our community and light the way for them to *speak up for victims, speak out for justice and to become agents for change!* We know it’s a big ask, but we also know that our supporters are up to the challenge!!

Follow Starting Point on social media for engaging articles and insights, and for action steps to help support the work of empowering victims/survivors and their families!

**Oct 7, 7pm** - Candle Light Vigil at Schouler Park in North Conway.

**Oct 12, 6-9pm** - Volunteer Training Orientation open to all to learn more about Starting Point.

**Oct 14** - Gift Card Drop! Gift Cards are a way of providing anonymity and empowerment to clients. If you are able to contribute a Gift Card for Hannaford's, Shaws or Walmart, or a gas card please stop by our office at 30 Pleasant St. in Conway to drop them off and get a warm thanks from our staff. If mailing gift cards is easier our address is: Starting Point PO Box 1972 Conway, NH 03818.

**Oct 12, 13, 14, 18, 19, 20 & 28, 6pm** - Volunteer Training at
Oct 21 - Ribbon Cutting and Open House 12pm. In order to protect our guests and staff we are scheduling 1/2 hour tours in small groups for the new office starting at 1pm. The Ribbon Cutting will be celebrated outdoors, rain or shine and all are welcome! Call 603-901-2237 or email raetha@startingpointnh.org to RSVP for a tour.

Volunteer Training Schedule

Starting Point was built by volunteers and continues to depend on our committed team of volunteer advocates to help us empower those in need.

Volunteer opportunities include office support, help at fundraisers and outreach events, prevention work, and of course direct service. To learn more please join us October 12th at 6pm for an overview of the agency's work.

October 12, 6-8pm - Orientation. This is an opportunity for anyone interested in Starting Point to get a general overview...
of the agency and services offered. You do not have to commit to volunteer training to participate.

October 13, 14, 18, 19, 20 & 28 from 6-9pm will be dedicated to volunteer training.

Starting Point’s training is mandated by NH-RSA and requires a commitment of 20 hours in person and 10 hours of directed online training.

For more information call Raetha 603-901-2237 or email raetha@StartingPointNH.org.

Our friends at Eastern Slope Dental were missing Boots 'n Bling and the chance to make a contribution to Starting Point so they invited our Outreach & Prevention Specialist, Raetha Stoddard over to receive a LARGE check!! We sure are kicking up our boots over that bling! Thank you!

We are also very grateful to Jess Gleason who has been "Streaming for a
Reason" Jess's online gaming platform has raised more than $3000 in the past year and she's at it again for the entire month of October!!

Library Corner: The Four Agreements
By Don Miguel Ruiz

Some time ago the Starting Point staff adopted the edict of the Four Agreements by Don Miguel Ruiz as an ideal for advocating and as a self-care guide. Not making assumptions or taking things personally is a helpful reminder to be true to our word and to do our best.

Shedding 'agreements' that society/culture or our families thrust upon us is one way of freeing up our egos and allowing us to see ourselves as ever evolving and to help others see for themselves that who they are does not have to be decided by others.

If you would like to borrow a copy or participate in a book discussion of the Four Agreements please email raetha@StartingPointNH.org.

Now Hiring
Starting Point currently has two openings:
Development Assistant
a part time position
&
Shelter Advocate a full
time position

For more information
call Deb Weinstein at
603-901-2227
or email
deb@StartingPointNH.org

Only 247 days until Boots ’n Bling 2022!

It's been a while and it's still a little while longer to wait for our
10th Annual Boots ‘n Bling, in event planning time it's right
around the corner. If you would like to volunteer or help
sponsor our annual fundraiser please contact us at
raetha@StartingPointNH.org or call 603-901-2237.

Save the date for our 10th Annual Boots ‘n Bling Fundraiser!
June 9, 2022 at the Wentworth Inn in Jackson!
Try email marketing for free today!