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October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

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Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM) first began in 1981 by the [**National Coalition Against Domestic Violence**](#) as a national day of unity to unite advocates across the nation. Congress officially designated October as National Domestic Violence Awareness Month in 1989.

The Chicago Housing Authority is committed to serving residents and assisting them through traumatic events. Residents who experienced a traumatic event deserve professional services that are designed to assist the household. Services include crisis counseling, assistance creating a safety plan and appropriate referrals for legal advocacy/counseling. To learn more about how CHA helps Domestic Violence victims please reach out to the Victim Assistance-Resident Service Team. [**Find the Victim Assistance Information webpage here.**](#)

Stand with CHA to break the cycle of domestic violence.