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**A Woman’s Place will Paint the Towns Purple**

**this October**

(Doylestown, PA) Quakertown, Doylestown, and Bristol will have a pop of purple pizazz this October as A Woman’s Place (AWP) proudly Paints the Towns Purple to promote National Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

This is the first year that AWP will Paint the Towns Purple – an initiative that is part of AWP’s milestone 40th Anniversary celebration. “AWP is thrilled to have the opportunity to raise awareness for domestic violence throughout Bucks County,” said Ifeoma Aduba, Executive Director. “This year, over 3,200 clients have benefitted from our 24/7 hotline, counseling services, shelter, support groups, and legal assistance programs. Additionally, over 7,000 children in Bucks County’s schools have received domestic violence prevention education. We hope that this awareness campaign will not only be a resource to those who may need AWP’s services, but help prevent domestic violence in the future.”

Purple ribbons will grace the lampposts and signage will hang in the shop and restaurant windows in all three boroughs in an effort to raise awareness for domestic violence. “As great as our community is, it's strength rests on the work of organizations like A Woman's Place that provide for a safe environment where all people can flourish,” said Mayor Ron Strouse of Doylestown Borough. Betty Rodriguez, Vice President of Bristol Borough Council added, “AWP offers services that help such a large group of people, of all ages, and it’s important to support places like this.” The support of these community partners is integral to AWP’s vision of a society where all individuals are safe in their relationships and can flourish.

For more information on how to get involved with Paint the Towns Purple, please contact Jaimie Geddes at 215.343.9241 x103 or jgeddes@awomansplace.org.

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A Woman’s Place is the only domestic violence community benefit organization in Bucks County, Pennsylvania. A Woman’s Place has provided free, private, confidential, and comprehensive shelter, service, support, advocacy, outreach, training, and education to victims of domestic violence, their children, and the community for 40 years. The free, private, and confidential hotline (1-800-220-8116) is available 24-hours a day. Information about A Woman’s Place, domestic violence, and how to get involved with the organization can be found at www.awomansplace.org.