



COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

# NEWS ADVISORY

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## **COUNTY ANNOUNCES NUMBER OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FATALITIES** ***5-Year Results of Domestic Violence Hotline Revealed***

**WHAT:** County officials **announce** the number of **domestic violence fatalities** and **domestic violence incidents registered** in the county in the **past five years**.

They will **make community and multi-agency recommendations** to better deal with **domestic violence issues** and **announce the 5-year impact of the Domestic Violence Hotline throughout San Diego County**.

**WHO:** **Supervisor Pam Slater-Price**, District 3, County of San Diego Board of Supervisors  
**Nick Macchione**, Director, County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency  
**Kimberly Lagotta**, Chief, Family Protection Division, District Attorney's Office  
**Danielle Lingle**, Center for Community Solutions, Domestic Violence Hotline  
**Claudia Sinkule**, Mother of Domestic Violence Fatality Victim

**WHEN:** **MONDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2008 AT 10:30 A.M.**

**WHERE:** **County Administration Center—East Plaza**  
**1600 Pacific Highway**

**WHY:** Thousands of domestic violence incidents are reported annually by County law enforcement agencies.

Domestic violence knows no social, economic, or racial class. Domestic violence affects everyone.

Research has shown that children exposed to domestic violence experience depression, anxiety, and an impacted sense of well-being. These children are also more likely to become perpetrators or victims of domestic violence.

Domestic violence is a crime where abusers use power and control against their victims.

Domestic violence victims and their family, friends, and neighbors are urged to call their local law enforcement agency or the County of San Diego Domestic Violence Hotline at (888) DV-LINKS (888) 385-4657, available 24-hrs in English and Spanish.

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