

## October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month



Domestic violence can affect anyone. The abuse can be physical, sexual, emotional, psychological, economic, or a combination of many types of abuse. Domestic violence is not a disagreement, a marital spat, or an anger management problem. It is a pattern of abusive, disrespectful, and controlling behaviors that one person uses to establish power over their partner in order to control that partner's actions and activities.

The mission of the Citrus Abuse Shelter Association (CASA) is to help victims and survivors of domestic violence by providing shelter, safety, intervention, and education, and to educate the community for social change.

It is our vision to end domestic violence by:

- Providing a safe, supportive environment
- Instilling confidence and self-esteem
- Supplying information and resources
- Teaching individuals and children non-violent alternatives
- Encouraging people to realize personal goals
- Acting as agents of social change

To learn about signs of domestic abuse and how it affects children in the home, follow us on Facebook.

Please help us end this cycle of violence!

THANK YOU!

## Upcoming Events

**Save the Date - Purple  
Thursday**

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and Thursday, **October 20th** is "Purple Thursday". Purple Thursday is a national day of action each October during Domestic Violence Awareness Month. It is an opportunity to raise awareness about domestic violence and an easy way for people to show their commitment to promoting healthy relationships. Please join us on **October 20th**, wear purple, be a voice, and start a conversation about domestic violence!



## Survivors Speak



"My advocate plays with us on game night and makes our home here fun!"-child survivor in shelter

"My advocate helped me realize that I am not alone and there is help and resources for my situation. I no longer feel like I am in this alone."

"My advocate is passionate about her job and is one of the best advocates!"

"My advocate is so kind and patient. She went through all the paperwork and made sure I understood everything. She is absolutely amazing at her job. She went above and beyond to help me. She is so sweet and so kind."

"My advocate is friendly, very helpful, always in an up mood and makes me feel welcomed."

"The advocates are always there to listen and help."

## We Love Our Community!!!

### Bad Golfers

The Bad Golfers Association held their Annual Charity Golf Tournament and donated the proceeds of \$2300 to CASA. We are so grateful to the golfers for supporting us and our participants.



Pictured left to right front: Dave Barber, Jim Remler, Len Ciriello, Sunshine Arnold, Larry Jones, Ed Ryan, Bruce





## Step Up For Survivors

CASA would like to thank everyone who came out to support us in our inaugural Domestic Violence Awareness walk. Over 150 people (men, women and children) showed up to walk the half-a-mile from Downtown Inverness to the Depot.

We would also like to thank the [Citrus County Chronicle](#) for coming out to our walk, being an ally to survivors, and spreading awareness about domestic violence.

View the [Chronicle Article](#)

## Ashley Furniture

CASA would like to give a big THANK YOU to Ashley Furniture Store and their [Hope to Dream](#) program for donating mattresses, frames, sheets, and comforters to our children survivors. We would also like to say thank you to those who assisted with loading the bedding into the vehicles, as well as the local agencies that came out to provide entertainment and activities for the children.



## Donors October 2022

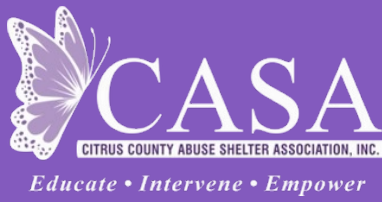
We would like to extend our sincerest thank you to our individual donors for the month of October 2022. Without your donations, we would not be able to do the work that we do in the community:

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