

Safe Passage's Monthly news & updates

June 2020

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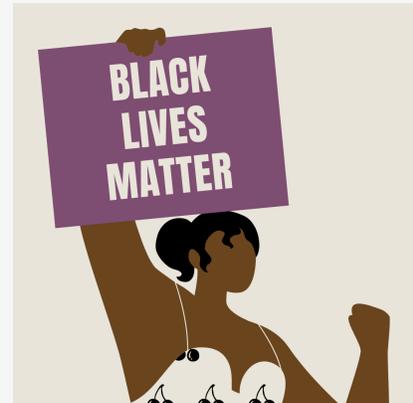
COVID Moving Forward

We are excited to begin welcoming staff, volunteers, and interns back to the office this month! Since April, many staff have been working from their home offices.

While we begin to open our doors, it is our top priority to keep our staff, clients, volunteers, and interns safe.

#BLACKLIVESMATTER

At Safe Passage, we know the work to end violence is inter-sectional, meaning our work to support survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault is inseparably tied to the work to end racial injustice and violence. We are committed to addressing and overcoming the racism in our movement.



We support the work being done by Black Lives Matter advocates and allies in our community and we believe that a future without racism and violence is possible if we all do our part.

The Future of Safe Passage



Building New Beginnings

We are excited for the future of Safe Passage. [Click here](#) and flip to pages 18-20 to hear from board member, Nancy Proesel, and Safe Passage staff as they discuss plans for the future of Safe Passage! Thank you DeKalb County Magazine for the wonderful article!

Pride

Thanks for joining #DeKalbPride!

Thank you so much to everyone who participated in our Pride Social Media contest and to those who came out to our Pride Drive Thru event on June 30! We are proud to serve the LGBTQIA+ community and know we all, no matter the sexuality or gender, deserve happy and healthy relationships! A special thank you goes to Monica from WDKB for DJing during our drive thru event!

To learn more about our pride event, [click here](#).



Community Partners



Dine to Donate

Thank you Fatty's Pub and Grill and Lincoln Inn/Faranda's for raising funds for our agency during June! We are excited to announce these two local restaurants will be continuing their Dine to Donate program through July! Stop by Fattys every Tuesday in July and Faranda's every Wednesday in July and 10% of all food sales will come back to our agency to assist survivors of violence!

(Photo: Safe Passage's Development Director, Christine Kyler, enjoys a delicious breakfast on the patio at Faranda's.)

Crisis Text Line Now Available

Text Safe Passage

We are excited to announce our new Text Crisis Line: 815.393.1995! This line can be contacted 24/7 for those in



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crisis! Like all our survivor services, this is FREE to use! We know talking on the phone can be difficult, especially in situations when an abuser is home. We hope texting us can be safer and easier!

Please know our 24/7 crisis hotline is still available and should be used for those seeking information and/or scheduling an appointment with a counselor or legal advocate. Contact our hotline at 815.756.5228.

Feed Our Families

Feed Our Families: **Support Restaurants, Support** **Survivors**

Many of us are struggling under the current COVID-19 pandemic. This is an incredibly difficult time, but also a time when our community has come together like never before! Feed Our Families is another chance to make a difference! As rates of domestic violence increase due to the pandemic, Safe Passage is providing shelter in new and different ways to keep our clients safe. This means some of our clients don't have access to kitchens or hot meals. Help provide a meal to a family in crisis while also supporting our local restaurants!



A donation to the "Feed Our Families" fund will be used to purchase meals from local restaurants that we will deliver to our clients. You're making a difference twice! First, by helping a survivor fleeing violence and second, by keeping our incredible local restaurants in business!

To make a donation to the "Feed Our Families" fund you can:

- Donate online: [click here](#).
- Send a check to Safe Passage (PO BOX 621 DeKalb IL 60115) and note "Feed Our Families" in your memo

Safe Passage Online Event

"No Visible Bruises" Book Club

No Visible Bruises, by international investigative journalist Rachel Louise Snyder, is a deep dive into the issues that surround domestic violence in America. From victims to perpetrators to service providers, Snyder examines every aspect of this issue and why it remains so embedded in our

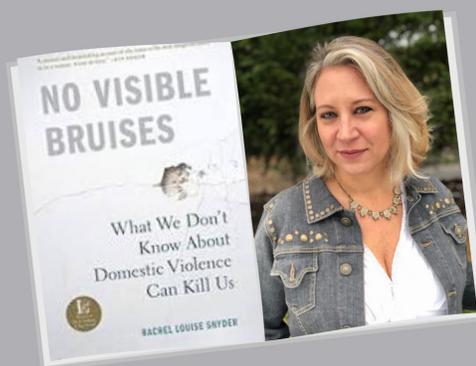
country. No Visible Bruises will challenge and educate as we see how this type of violence can and does affect each and every one of us.

Join Safe Passage in reading "No Visible Bruises" by Rachel Louise Snyder. Every week, we'll come to you live on Facebook to break down the chapters and share our thoughts with you! We'll be encouraging you to do the same through discussion questions posted every Monday, in the comments, or with each other!

Learn more by visiting our [Facebook!](#)

VIRTUAL BOOK CLUB

Every Wednesday at 1 - Facebook Live



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