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With Allah's Name, The Merciful Benefactor, The Merciful Redeemer

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As-Salaam Alaikum:

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Unfortunately, even in 2023 family violence affects many of our Muslim sisters (one in three according to current statistics, PFP 2022), even though we know it is not condoned in Islam.

The best way for us to confront this oppression is to increase awareness through our hands, words, and deeds.

We are asking each of you, in partnership with the Peaceful Families Project, to recognize Domestic Violence victims and survivors during the month of October in the following ways:

1. Have you and your masjid acknowledged Domestic Violence in Muslim communities during the National FIRST FRIDAY FOR FAMILIES on October 6th by wearing your purple hijabs, overgarments, and ribbons to give voice to the voiceless. Khutbas and educational materials related to positive Islamic models of marriage are encouraged. Remember to send us the pictures of your events as they will go into a national collage of Muslims Making a Difference ISA.
2. Our Muslim Brothers can take a moment to endorse the Peaceful Partner Pledge on the PFP website telling the world that to be the head of your household you do not need to be oppressive or violent.
3. Sponsor a fundraiser for PFP or a local Domestic Violence service in your own community to remind the world that Islam protects all people, especially believing women and children.

Whoever among you sees evil, let him change it with his hand. If he cannot do so, then with his tongue. If he cannot do so, then with his heart, which is the weakest level of faith (Sahih Muslim 49).

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