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2011 WALK A MILE IN HER SHOES BENEFITS YWCA'S BECKY'S HOUSE

The YWCA is encouraging San Diegans to gather together and create a united front against the issue of domestic violence by participating in the 2011 Walk a Mile in Her Shoes event Oct. 20 at 6 p.m.

Walk a Mile in Her Shoes is a fun, community event where men and women put on a pair of high-heeled shoes (encouraged, but not required) and walk through the streets of downtown San Diego in a light-hearted attempt to build awareness of the very serious issue of domestic violence and its impact to the San Diego community.

Registration is currently underway for individuals, as well as teams from companies and community groups, large and small. Children and school groups are welcome.

Many teams have already been assembled and have committed to bringing awareness of, and fighting against, the issue of domestic violence. Several local businesses are already registered and showing their support, including Northrop Grumman, General Dynamics NASSCO, Solar Turbines Incorporated, American Association of University Women (AAUW) Poway, and European Wax Center.

Build your own team by inviting your family and friends to raise pledges and walk with you, just like Team Gary Lynn & Team Becky's Beauties.

Each participant who registers will be entered into a raffle for the chance to win two 4-day passes to Comic-Con International 2012 to be held on July 12-15, 2012 at the San Diego Convention Center. An additional entry into the raffle will be entered for every \$100 raised in pledges.

Proceeds from Walk a Mile in Her Shoes will benefit the YWCA's Becky's House Domestic Violence Program.

All of the services provided by Becky's House support the individual's journey from victim to survivor to achiever. The program includes a 30-60 day domestic violence emergency shelter, a 24-hour emergency hotline, and two 18-24-month transitional housing communities for survivors of domestic violence and their families.

Becky's House serves more than 3,000 women and children each year, including answering nearly 2,500 hotline calls.

Event registration is \$35 which includes entry into the Post Event Party hosted by Hotel Solamar's Lounge Six, following the walk at 7 p.m.

Participants can sign up as a team or individual online or find more information about the event at www.ywcasandiego.org, and are encouraged to raise pledges from family and friends. For more information about sponsoring this event, please call 619-239-0355 ext. 218 or email carolann@ywcasandiego.com

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