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**Together We Will Move to Action to Create Change:
Commemorating Sexual Assault Awareness Month in Angelina County**

Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) calls attention to the fact that sexual violence is widespread and impacts every person in this community. The goal of SAAM 2015 is to get everyone involved in creating a safer community. The campaign helps the entire community learn how to take action to prevent sexual assault. The Family Crisis Center of East Texas in partnership with the Angelina County S.A.V.E. Coalition will raise public awareness about Sexual Assault by holding public activities and events in the area. This year's theme is "I Will Move to Action to Create Change," which encourages community members to take a stand against sexual assault.

The Family Crisis Center and the Angelina County S.A.V.E. Coalition will kick off the month by holding a free Movie Night open to the public. Join us for the showing of Hunger Games: Mockingjay Part 1, Friday, April 17th at the Pines Theater in Lufkin. We will begin the event at 6:30 p.m. Donations will be accepted in lieu of admission.

In addition, this year, the Family Crisis Center and the Angelina County S.A.V.E. Coalition is holding "Prevention in the Park" on Friday, April 24th at Louis Bronaugh Park, across from Lufkin City Hall, from 12:00 p.m. until 1:00 p.m. To commemorate Sexual Assault Awareness Month, 326 balloons will be released to represent the victims of sexual assault the Family Crisis Center served in 2014. Guests will enjoy a free lunch, a short program by community members, and a special award presentation of the inaugural Prevention Visionary Voice Award.

You can also show your support for Sexual Assault Awareness Month by purchasing the official, "I Will" t-shirt at www.fcet.com. The shirts are \$5 and can be purchased starting April 1st. Special thanks to Dolphin Printing in Nacogdoches who generously donated a portion of the cost of the t-shirts.

The S.A.V.E. Coalition of Angelina County continues to advance its mission of committing to investigate the root causes of sexual violence within the community. The S.A.V.E. Coalition seeks to provide training and/or education to its team members and the community, in addition to facilitating communication forums around the topic of sexual violence prevention.

The Family Crisis Center of East Texas continues to advance its mission of enhancing the safety of women, children and men by providing crisis intervention and advocacy services to reduce and prevent the occurrence of family violence and sexual assault through education and community awareness. The agency provides numerous services, and last year alone provided 1,214 residential and non-residential clients with over 109,000 essential services.

For more information regarding Sexual Assault Awareness Month activities occurring in the area, or to find out how you can assist the agency, visit our website, www.fcet.com, or contact Susan Robertson at the Family Crisis Center of East Texas at (936) 639-1681 or srobertsonwset@suddenlinkmail.com.

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