

TurningPoint

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES

Confronting domestic Violence in McHenry County Since 1981.

FROM THE HEART OF 3M

It is all a matter of perspective.

As we begin a new year, January invites reflection—and resolve. At Turning Point, we enter 2026 grounded in a powerful truth: ending domestic violence is not the work of one organization alone. It is the work of an informed, engaged, and courageous community.

That is why our focus has been simple, yet transformative: Educate. Activate. Advocate.

Educate.

Domestic violence is often misunderstood. It is not defined by a single incident, visible injury, or stereotype. It is a pattern of power and control that can affect anyone—regardless of age, gender, income, culture, or background. Education is the first step in shifting perspectives. When we understand the warning signs, the barriers survivors face, and the long-term impact of trauma, we replace judgment with compassion and silence with awareness. Every conversation, classroom presentation, and shared resource helps dismantle myths and create a safer, more informed community.

Activate.

Education must move us to action. When community members are activated, they become part of the solution—checking in on a neighbor, supporting a friend, volunteering, attending an event, or sharing resources. Activation is about recognizing that small actions matter. Questioning comments that are based in shame and blame. “Challenging the dismissive why doesn’t she...” It is about choosing to show up, speak up, and step forward. At Turning Point, we see every day how collective action strengthens survivors and builds pathways to safety and healing.

Advocate.

Advocacy is where lasting change takes root. It means using our voices to challenge systems, policies, and attitudes that allow violence to persist. Advocacy happens when we support survivor-centered services, promote trauma-informed responses,



and insist that domestic violence is not a private issue—it is a community issue. Together, we can influence how institutions respond, how resources are allocated, and how survivors are treated when they seek help.

Compassion is the net result of Education and Advocacy that has been activated. Changing a community's perspective on domestic violence does not happen overnight. But it does happen—through education that informs, action that empowers, and advocacy that transforms. I am continually inspired by the individuals, partners, and supporters who stand with Turning Point in this work.

Your commitment reminds survivors that they are not alone and reminds our community that change is possible.

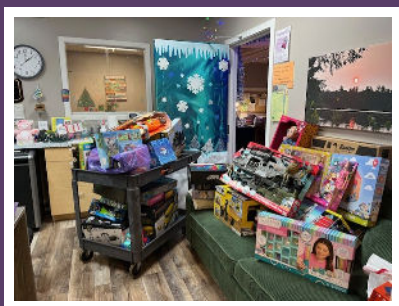
As we move forward into this new year, I invite you to join us in educating, activating, and advocating. Together, we are not only responding to domestic violence—we are reshaping the culture that surrounds it.

With gratitude and hope,

Mary Margaret Maule
Executive Director
MBA, CDVP

Spreading Holiday Joy

During the 2025 holiday season, Turning Point had **87 clients and their families** register for our Holiday Giving programs!



*A generous toy donation
courtesy of **Project I'm a
Survivor** and the **Woodstock
Harley Davidson***

We were able to assist these families with:

- 60 total meal boxes handed out, thanks to our friends at Knights of Columbus Council #1288 (McHenry)
- \$4,720 in gift cards collected from local churches, businesses, and individual supporters
- 29 families signed up with Toys for Tots through Kids in Need Secret Santa
- An abundance of toys, games, and other gifts generously donated to our gift closets

We want to give a heartfelt **thank you** to everyone who made this giving season a success for our clients and helped us ensure that everyone found some joy for the holidays.



Primrose Daycare Holiday Donation



Foodshed Co-Op Food Donations - 5 donations in the last few months!

Join Us for Our Annual Paint the Night Purple Gala!



Join us for a night of advocacy on **February 28th, 2026!**

You won't want to miss this unforgettable evening at Turning Point's Paint the Night Purple Gala, where we come together to support McHenry County's ONLY comprehensive domestic violence agency.

Every dollar raised during this special night helps survivors find safety, healing, and hope. Be a champion for change—purchase your tickets today!

TICKETS AND INFORMATION

Ways to Give - Sponsorships



PAINT THE NIGHT
PURPLE
02.28.2026 | FIARA CONVENTION CENTER
DINNER • AUCTION • ADVOCACY

2026 Sponsor Menu

PRESENTING SPONSOR: \$15,000

- Presenting Sponsor Logo prominently recognized on all digital and printed materials
- Acknowledgment on sponsorship banner
- Full page ad in event program
- Acknowledgment in all media outreach
- Premier table for 10 with 4 bottles of champagne on the table
- Recognition from the podium night of event
- Pre-recorded sponsorship message to be used as promotional outreach


HOPE GIVER: \$10,000

- Sponsor Logo recognized on all digital and printed materials
- Acknowledgment on sponsorship banner
- 1/2 page ad in event program
- Acknowledgment in all media outreach
- Premier branded table for 10 with 2 bottles of champagne on the table
- Recognition from the podium night of event

COMMUNITY BUILDER: \$5,000

- Sponsor Logo recognized on all digital materials
- Acknowledgment on sponsorship banner
- Shared 1/2 page ad in event program
- Branded Table for 10
- Recognition from the podium night of event





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ADVOCATE: \$2,500

- Branded Table for 10
- 1/4 page ad in event program

SUPPORTER: \$1,000

- 1/4 page ad in the program


COCKTAIL SPONSOR: \$4,000

- Sponsor Logo prominently recognized in program, at service locations
- Acknowledgment on sponsorship banner
- Full page ad in event program
- Recognition from the podium night of event

MYSTERY BOX SPONSOR: \$3,000

- Sponsor Logo prominently recognized in program
- Branded thank you inside mystery boxes
- Acknowledgment on sponsorship banner
- 1/4 page ad in event program

For questions, or to become a Turning Point Sponsor, please contact Mallory Breutzmann at mbreutzmann@turnpt.org or call us at 815-338-8081



Sponsors are the backbone of our incredible fundraisers.

Your generosity directly empowers us to expand our reach, enhance our services, and better support survivors and their families. Whether through a **monetary donation, sponsorship, or an auction item**, your contribution plays a critical role in helping us fulfill our mission.

In Fiscal Year 2025, thanks to sponsor and community support in raising over \$94,000 at Paint the Night Purple, we were able to:

- Serve **2,039 adults** through counseling, legal advocacy, and alternative to violence programming
- Support **5,575 nights** of emergency shelter for 93 adults and 47 children
- Assist in filing **584 Orders of Protection** at our courthouse satellite office
- Answer **2,672 hotline calls** on our 24/7 domestic violence hotline

We are inviting you to stand with us. Sponsorships offer a meaningful way for you or your organization to be recognized for your commitment to our mission to *Confront Domestic Violence in McHenry County*. All sponsors and donors will be acknowledged through social media, event signage, and printed materials, ensuring your support is visible to our entire community.

[EMAIL OUR EVENT COORDINATOR](#)

Or call us and ask for Mallory Breutzmann at 815-338-8081

Read Our Blogs

Blogs are posted the 2nd Wednesday of every month, so be sure to follow our social media and check out our website to see when they go live!

For the month of January, we are
Spreading Awareness During National Stalking Awareness Month

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January 14, 2026

January is National Stalking Awareness Month (NSAM). Stalking is considered more than one or two occurrences of repeatedly and...

When Vulnerabilities Intersect: Domestic Violence and Food Insecurity

December 10, 2025

As 2025 draws to a close, many of us will be seeking time to rest, spend time with loved...

[READ OUR BLOGS HERE](#)

Upcoming Events

People in Need Forum: Saturday January 31st 8 am to 1 pm at MCC
Paint the Night Purple Gala 2026: Saturday February 28
20-Hour PAIP Facilitator Training: March 10-12th

[SIGN UP FOR A TRAINING](#)

[Purchase Tickets to the PTNP Gala](#)

Turning Point is the only comprehensive domestic violence agency in McHenry County. Our services for survivors include a 24/7 helpline, emergency shelter, individual and group counseling, mental health therapy, children's counseling, and legal advocacy. Our survivor services are offered at no cost to the community and are available in both English and Spanish.

Our Alternatives to Violence programs include our Partner Abuse Intervention Program, Survivor's Intervention Program, and Positive Parenting Interventions program. These programs are open to the community and have sliding scale fees.

Turning Point also offers Outreach and Prevention programming to local McHenry County schools and community members.

Our holistic approach ensures that we address domestic violence at every stage—from crisis intervention to prevention—so that we're not just reacting to violence, but actively working to stop it before it begins.

Domestic and intimate partner violence can affect anyone. Turning Point serves everyone and we do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, religion, gender, or sexual orientation.

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