April is National Sexual Assault Awareness Month

We invite you to participate in local events and activities

Throughout the month, look for banners, coasters, java jackets, and bookmarks at various county locations.

April 4 **Call to Artists: Artwork for CPVAW poster and other projects.** cpvaw@cityofsantacruz.com

April 9 **Film Series presented by Media Watch and Walnut Avenue Women's Center 7:30 pm**
On Mondays, for 7 weeks. Contact Media Watch at 831-423-6355 http://www.mediawatch.com

April 10 **GIRLS, TEEN, & WOMEN'S SELF-DEFENSE CLASSES begin.**
Call Santa Cruz City Parks and Recreation at 831-420-5270 for full schedule. www.santacruzparksandrec.com

April 12 **INTIMACY ABUSE SUPPORT GROUP. Walnut Avenue Women's Center 6:30-8 pm**
To register and/or for more information, call 831-426-3062 ext 214. www.wawc.org

April 16 **FLAG DAY Downtown Santa Cruz and UC College 9/10 11 am – 1 pm**
Local agency staff and volunteers will place flags in these locations in Santa Cruz to raise awareness regarding the issue of sexual assault. Each flag represents a person who has experienced a sexual assault.. cpvaw@cityofsantacruz.com

April 21 **WALK A MILE IN HER SHOES Lighthouse Point, Santa Cruz 9 am**
Walk a Mile in Her Shoes (R) is a nationwide event that invites the community to participate in a one mile walk, literally in her shoes, to raise awareness around issues of rape, sexual assault and gender violence. Call 831-722-4989 for more information. www.wcs-ddm.org.

April 21 **WALK TO STOP THE SILENCE Watsonville Plaza 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.**
This event is organized by Survivors Healing Center to address the silence regarding childhood sexual abuse. There will be a walk followed by speakers, agency information, and music at the plaza. www.fsa-cc.org/survivors-healing-center

April 25 **TAKE BACK THE NIGHT - Rally, March, & Testimonials UCSC Quarry 6 pm**
Contact the UCSC Health Center (831) 459-2211 healthcenter@ucsc.edu or women@ucsc.edu

April 25 **CLOTHESLINE PROJECT Cabrillo College 11 am – 1 pm**
Contact Women's Crisis Support-Defensa de Mujeres for more information. www.wcs-ddm.org

April 25 **DENIM DAY - Wear your jeans SC City Hall Courtyard EVENT at NOON**
Why Denim? Denim Day began in 1999 as part of an international protest to an Italian High court decision to overturn a rape conviction because the victim was wearing jeans. Make a point to wear Denim on this day to challenge one of the myths surrounding sexual assaults. Event at courtyard will have displays and information. For more information, call 831-420-5363. cpvaw@cityofsantacruz.com

April 25 **CRIME VICTIMS RIGHTS AWARENESS WALK SC County Courthouse 6 -7:30 pm**
The goal for this observance is to increase public awareness of the impact that crime has on individuals and on communities. Participants will meet on the steps on the County Courthouse at Ocean Street and walk to the Town Clock. For more information about this event, please call (831) 454-2010.

April 27 6 pm – April 29 1 pm **YOUNG WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT WEEKEND**
Empowerment weekend workshop for young women ages 12-18.Call Michelle Myers for more information and to preregister. 831-234-7580 www.ywew.org.

April 30 **ENGAGING THE BYSTANDER Louden Nelson Center 2:30-4:30 pm**
The goal of this free, interactive workshop is to raise awareness regarding sexual assault for community members and agencies as well as how to respond effectively. Call 420-5363. cpvaw@cityofsantacruz.com

As a community, let's raise our awareness and stand up against sexual assault and other forms of violence.