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DOMESTIC & SEXUAL VIOLENCE AWARENESS and PREVENTION

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As you make plans for your club events throughout the year, you may try some of these ideas:

- Adopt a shelter or room at a shelter. Donate bedding, curtains, lamps. Help paint a room.
- Make First Night Kits, Hygiene Bags, Birthday Bags and Anger Kits to be donated to local shelters.
- Donate paperback books for adults or children's books to shelter libraries (Remember the 130 initiative for books being donated)
- Donate suitable clothes for Dress for Success program. Check www.dressforsuccess.org to find a location in your district.
- Sponsor a Candlelight Luminary Vigil during Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention Month in October and use purple ribbon around candles.
- Have a speaker from the local police department or a local shelter at your club meeting to speak about specific domestic violence issues, such as Elder Abuse, Dating Violence or Trafficking.