

Barton,

I received an email at the end of last week from Tanya Day at the Family Crisis Center. The Family Crisis Center (FCC) ALSO offers services on campus. In case you don't know about the Family Crisis Center, here is a little bit about them:

The Family Crisis Center, Inc., based in Great Bend, Kansas, provides advocacy and support to all survivors and secondary victims of domestic and sexual violence, child abuse and neglect while encouraging social change through awareness, education and prevention. From our 24-hour crisis hotline to supportive services to professional training, we offer hope and healing for families experiencing domestic and sexual violence, child abuse and neglect.

The Domestic and Sexual Violence Center (DSVC) creates a safe environment for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault to understand the resources and options available to them and get support as they begin to heal from the trauma. These services are available 24-hours a day, seven days a week. Services for the DSVC are provided in Barton, Barber, Comanche, Edwards, Kiowa, Ness, Pawnee, Pratt, Rush & Stafford counties.

The Dell Hayden Memorial Child Advocacy Center (CAC), named after the first director of the Family Crisis Center, creates a safe, family-friendly environment for children and families. The CAC becomes involved with the children and families upon referral from Department for Children and Families (DCF) and/or Law Enforcement in order to assist with the investigative process and provide services through referrals as well as advocacy to the child and family. Services for the CAC are provided in Barton, Pawnee, Rush and Stafford Counties.

If you have found yourself in a difficult situation, there are some great folks there that can help!

October is Domestic Awareness month. The FCC has asked for your support for Domestic Awareness by wearing purple on Oct. 19. Wear your favorite **purple** shirt or decorate your business **purple**. Take a picture and posit to facebook.com/FamilyCrisisCenter or email your pictures to info@familycrisisctr.org

Have a good week and stay safe!

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