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Win a Nissan Leaf!

Emerge! is participating in the Jim Click Automotive Nissan Leaf car raffle. Click [here](#) to learn more about the Leaf.

- Tickets are \$25 each or five for \$100.
- The drawing will be held on April 27, 2012.
- All proceeds for tickets purchased through Emerge! will benefit Emerge!
- Ticket purchases are not tax deductible.

Purchase your tickets today!
Call 520-795-8001 ext. 7013.

Donate to Emerge! For Free on Facebook!

Thank You For Helping Us 'Stuff the Bus'!

During the twelve hour event, nearly \$9,000 worth of items and just over \$1,700 in cash donations were made. These donations will help us provide service to thousands of families this year.

"Most importantly, a woman left an abusive situation and came into the shelter the night the event ended," said Sarah Jones, CEO of Emerge!, "This woman did not know Emerge! existed or that there were any services available for her. Because of this event, this woman is now safe in our shelter and working to rebuild her life."

A special thank you to everyone who donated, [Journal Broadcast Group](#), [LP&G](#), [Suntran](#), and Teamsters Local #104.

Click [here](#) for the news story about the 'Stuff the Bus' event.

Read Our Latest Participant Story

Alexa is an 11-year-old living in the shelter with her mother and two siblings due to domestic violence. Alexa has been exposed to domestic abuse perpetrated by her step-father since she was three years old. When Alexa came to the shelter she was upset with her mother for taking her and her brothers from their home. Click [here](#) to read further.



It's Holiday House Time!

As the holidays approach, Emerge! Center Against Domestic Abuse staff and volunteers are busy planning for the annual holiday event, Holiday House. Every year, with the help of supporters like you, we are able to provide holiday gifts to the women and children in our programs. Last year, we were able to provide over 450 participants with gifts to celebrate with their family

Set up like a retail store, Holiday House allows current Emerge! participants to shop, at no charge, for gifts for their family members. Without the generosity of donors like you, these families would have no way of giving each other a holiday gift.



Simply Bits, a local Tucson Company, is donating \$1 to Emerge! for every new Facebook Fan they get in 2011, beginning September 1. All you have to do is go to [Simply Bits' Facebook page](#) and click "like" at the top of the page, and you've secured a \$1 donation to Emerge!.

After the shoppers have selected their items, they gift wrap them on the spot. This event creates warm memories and a safe environment for our participants to celebrate the holidays.

Please consider donating new, unwrapped items to stock our Holiday House. (Items that depict weapons, fighting, gangs or aggression are not accepted.)

Donations are needed to provide the women and children we serve with new gifts. The items can be delivered to any [Royal Automotive Group location](#). Royal has graciously volunteered to collect all of our donations for us this year! For a list of needed gifts, please click [here](#).

The \$5 Project



The \$5 Project: This group started as a circle of 13 Facebook friends and has grown into over 500. Every month, they select a charity to concentrate their efforts towards. For October-November, they chose Emerge!. To learn more or to participate in the \$5 project, please click [here](#).

Matt's Half Marathon

Dr. Matthew Mazurek, a local anesthesiologist, has chosen to run his half-marathon to benefit Emerge! He will run the Rock & Roll Las Vegas Half Marathon, which runs through downtown and along the famous Las Vegas Strip. For more information, please click [here](#).

Domestic Abuse in Military Families

Incidents of violence against women in the military, including five domestic homicides at Fort Bragg in 2002 and allegations of sexual assault in the Air Force Academy, have led to an increased awareness of the problem of violence against women in the military. Evidence shows that violence against women is a pervasive problem within the military, just as it is in among civilians. However, women in the military are particularly vulnerable to abuse due to geographical isolation from family and friends, and the potential for social isolation within the military culture.

The victim of domestic violence in the military is predominantly the female, civilian spouse of active duty personnel. Victims normally have children and more than half have been married two years or less. Abused women in military communities are often fearful of reporting incidents due to the lack of confidentiality and privacy as well as limited victim services. The abuse is predominantly perpetrated by male, active duty personnel.

Among the Services, the Army consistently has shown the highest rates of domestic violence, followed by the Marines, Navy, and Air Force.

Source: Futures Without Violence, The Facts on the Military and Violence Against Women

Special Thank You's

AFNI- Their donation helped provide pillows to the thousands of women and children in our shelters each year. Thank you!

John and Helen Murphey Foundation- Their donation provided much-needed support for our 24/7 bilingual crisis hotline. Thank you!

Roll Giving/Paramount Community Giving- Thank you for helping us to continue to support child victims of domestic abuse in their path to healing!

Tucson Electric Power- Their donation allows us to continue to provide life-saving services to all victims of domestic abuse in Southern Arizona. Thank you!

