April 1 - 30, 2019

Teal Ribbon Campaign
The teal ribbon has come to represent awareness about sexual assault and support for its victims/survivors. The display of teal ribbons throughout a community conveys a powerful message that there’s no place for assault here. Throughout the month, teal ribbons are available at no cost at the YWCA Kalamazoo.

A Cup of Prevention
Water Street Coffee Joint will be supporting victims & survivors with a sexual assault awareness campaign throughout the month of April. All five Water Street locations will be using promotional SAAM stickers and offering teal ribbons to customers. A percentage of April sales will benefit YWCA’s Sexual Assault Program.

The Clothesline Project
This visual display bears witness to the devastating impact of sexual assault. A collection of t-shirts decorated by survivors, friends, family, and the community will be on display at the YWCA Kalamazoo.

April 13, 2019

Kalamazoo Poetry Festival
YWCA Kalamazoo  1:30pm-3:00pm
In collaboration with YWCA Sexual Assault Advocate Mallory Kruizenga, Kalamazoo Poetry Festival is hosting a writing workshop on the theme of consent. For additional information and to register, please visit their website at kalamazoopoetryfestival.com. Space is limited.

April 16, 2019

WMU Take Back the Night
“I ask. I listen. I support.”
Kanley Chapel, WMU
Pre-Event, 6:00pm
Take Back The Night, 7:00pm
Take Back the Night aims to empower survivors of sexual assault through keynote speakers, a march through campus, and a speak-out from survivors, supporters, and advocates. These events are hosted by WMU FIRE! Sexual Assault Peer Educators.

April 18, 2019

YWCA Men’s Breakfast
YWCA Kalamazoo  7:30am-9:00am  Cost $20
Every 2 minutes someone becomes a victim of sexual assault. Enough is Enough! This breakfast will bring together men from Kalamazoo for a practical discussion about sexual assault in our community and how you can use your voice to prevent it. Registration required, space is limited.
Contact Kellie at kswikoski@ywcakalamazoo.org for registration information.

April 24, 2019

Denim Day
Denim Day has been internationally celebrated since 1999 in protest of an Italian High Court Ruling that overturned a rape conviction because the victim was wearing jeans. Enraged by the verdict, women of the Italian Legislation protested the decision by wearing jeans to work. As news of the decision spread, so did the protest. Wear your jeans to show support! For more information, visit denimdayinfo.org.

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