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SafePlace Opens ‘Eloise’: Permanent New Home for Sexual Assault Forensic Exams
AUSTIN, TX – August 13, 2015 – SafePlace, an Austin nonprofit organization, today opened Eloise House, the region’s first and only 24/7 facility dedicated solely for sexual assault survivors to receive forensic exams, advocacy and support.

National Start By Believing Campaign Comes to Austin
AUSTIN, TX – April 3, 2015 – SafePlace is teaming up with the Travis County Sheriff’s Office, Austin Police Department and Constable Precinct 5 to bring the national Start By Believing public awareness campaign to Austin this April.

A Day to Shine Fashion Show to Raise Money for Healthy Teen Relationships
AUSTIN, TX – March 23, 2015 – The eighth annual A Day to Shine will be held on Saturday, April 11 at the Westin Domain.

Local Youth to kick-off Teen Dating Violence Awareness & Prevention Month
AUSTIN, TX – February 5, 2015 – Local teen performers come together to raise awareness about dating violence.

2nd Annual Illuminate Austin Kicks Off to Support Safe Families
AUSTIN, TX – January 23, 2015 – On the evening of Saturday, February 21, SafePlace will host the 2nd Annual Illuminate Austin Walk for Safe Families.
U.S. Dept. of Justice Officials Visiting Austin
AUSTIN, TX – January 15, 2015 – The U.S. Department of Justice visits to address progress and challenges in effort to end sexual and domestic violence.

2014

SafePlace Grows Supportive Housing Program with $25,000 Walmart Donation
AUSTIN, TX – December 17, 2014 – SafePlace received a $25,000 donation from the Walmart Foundation’s State Giving Program benefitting the Supportive Housing Program (SHP), which helps those affected by domestic violence avoid having to make a choice between becoming homeless or returning to an abusive home environment.

Rape Awareness and Prevention Week Brings Dialogue to Local Campuses
March 17, 2014 – SafePlace, the Austin-based organization that provides emergency shelter, counseling, education and prevention services to survivors of sexual and domestic violence, will set up shop in highly-trafficked areas on local college campuses to spread the word about sexual assault prevention.

Illuminate Austin Event to Bring Community Together in Support of SafePlace Services
January 21, 2014 – SafePlace, the Austin-based organization that provides emergency shelter, counseling, education and prevention services to survivors of sexual and domestic violence, will host Illuminate Austin: A Walk for Safe Families on February 22, 2014 at the Mueller Lake and Hangar in East Austin.
2013

**SafePlace Partners with U.S. Department of State to Bolster Disability Rights in Kenya**

AUSTIN, TX – August 27, 2013 – SafePlace, a domestic and sexual violence agency in Austin, has been selected to participate in a U.S. Department of State sponsored Professional Fellows EMPOWER Program, administered by Mobility International USA (MIUSA).

**Travis County and SafePlace Team Up To Open PlanetSafe**

AUSTIN, TX – May 9, 2013 – This weekend, SafePlace and Travis County will open the doors to PlanetSafe, a new supervised visitation and safe exchange center.

**Austin Children’s Shelter and SafePlace Form the LIFT Alliance to Prevent Violence in Families and Intimate Relationships**

AUSTIN, TX – January 15, 2013 – Austin Children’s Shelter (ACS) and SafePlace today announced the formation of the LIFT Alliance to combat child abuse, sexual assault and domestic violence.