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June 6
Franklin, MA

Did you Know?

Controlling behavior, extreme jealousy & verbal abuse are forms of domestic violence?

Help is a phone call away

800.323.HOPE (4673)

Happy Spring!

The snow is (finally) gone and there's much to celebrate this month at New Hope! April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month and we've been busy visiting our legislators, local campuses, radio stations, cable stations and local news columns to spread the word about the community's role in ending sexual violence. I invite you to [listen](#), [read](#) and join our conversation via [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#) using: **#ICanStopSexualAssault**.

April has also brought news that New Hope was selected as a grantee by the Franklin Square House Foundation! The grant will allow us to purchase energy efficient doors and windows for our Central-region residential emergency shelter. New Hope's two shelters operate at nearly 100% capacity 365 days a year, so upkeep is essential to our continued service. We are so grateful!

And while I'm celebrating our wonderful community partners, I'd like to recognize Webster Five, Mansfield Women of Today and Bristol County Savings Bank for their recent generosity, and announce that Rockland Trust has signed on as a sponsor of the 1st Annual [New Hope 5K and Family Fun Run](#) scheduled for June 6 in Franklin, MA. If you haven't yet signed up, [register today](#), and join us for the free, post-race Family Health Fair featuring face painting, "Touch-a-Truck" and much more.

To spring!
Marcia

Marcia Szymanski
Executive Director
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Program Scan

With the arrival of spring, we also are seeing an increase in demand for our services. For example:

- New Hope's **SANE (Sexual Assault Nurse Examination)** program - which provides free, on-call advocacy services to

victims of sexual assault who present at local hospitals - has seen a 36% increase in demand for services over YTD 2014;



- New Hope's **office in Milford**, MA is experiencing an increase of 40% over YTD 2014 in clients seeking free advocacy and counseling services;
- In March alone our **SAFEPLAN** program - which places advocates in area district and probate courts - assisted 152 individuals seeking legal protections from their abusers.

Upcoming Events

Final Week!
Not Your Average Joe's - Seekonk
 (Mon. & Tues.)

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May 21 - Uno's in Worcester
 20% to New Hope -- and Trivia Night! Save the Date!

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