

C54 Civic Projects

From April 21, 2024

On Friday, I had the honor of attending the Silent Protest hosted by [The Resilience Organization](#). Founded in 1974. Resilience (formerly Rape Victim Advocates) has been on the front lines of working with survivors of sexual violence.

We were introduced to this remarkable organization by C54 intern and Project Manager for JAKY, Yumi Sato.

Yumi presented the issue of sexual violence as her burning issue during her civics project. Yumi's presentation and issue earned the top score among her cohort. The entire cohort attended the event, and we were a force! I'm attaching photos from the protest.

There are three other civic events being led by members of the C54 cohort:

- [A Sippy Cup Drive](#) for Kindred Life Ministries, led by Britney Davis, Project Manager for T.UB.S Tech
- [Save our Sons](#), Mentor Volunteering at the Book Bags to Brief Case event on April 27th, led by Montee Ellis, Technical Analyst for G33K3D
- [Apna Ghar Marathon](#) on October 13th to combat domestic violence, led by Zhazgul Nurdinova, Business Analyst for Main Sequence Innovations

Thank you to Tom Tresser for equipping our cohort with the mindset for making change through action.



Resilience is at **Daley Plaza**. (www.facebook.com/ResilienceChi)

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As Sexual Assault Awareness Month comes to a close Resilience would like to thank everyone who participated in our actions and supported sexual assault survivors. The highlight of the month was our Standing Silent Witness event where we gathered together at Daley Plaza to show our support for survivors and raise awareness of sexual violence. Swipe to see some powerful images from this event!

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Founded in 1974, Resilience (formerly Rape Victim Advocates) has been on the front lines of working with survivors of sexual violence. Although much has changed since 1974, the need for our services has not. In fact, it has increased, expanding the need and scope of the services we provide. We continue to work with survivors of sexual violence. However, our work now addresses the entire spectrum of sexual violence, including harassment, abuse, and prevention, with an additional focus on public education and institutional advocacy. There is one constant throughout our history: the resilience demonstrated by survivors.

Kindred Life Ministries (www.kindredlifeministries.org)

WE'RE LIVING OUT OUR CONVICTION THAT EVERY LIFE IS PRECIOUS.

In 2014, a heartfelt conviction drew a small group of men and women together. The desire was to serve teen parents and strengthen families. Babies. Teen mothers. Teen fathers. Grandparents. Every life is precious. Kindred Life Ministries was formed to reach teen mothers and fathers with the support and services they desperately need to survive, then thrive. Our work is the next step of care in the pro-life movement. By partnering with local churches and volunteers, as well as our qualified paid staff, we offer support and services in a Christian setting to help teen families thrive. Scripture calls us to honor life and the Maker of it. Join us as we carry out this command. Because your life is precious, too.

Saving Our Sons (www.savingoursons.org)

Saving Our Sons, Inc. is a non-profit Life Skills/ Mentorship program supporting young men ages 7-17. The specific purpose is to teach life skills to young men in their early years, preparing them for their passage into manhood. We believe it is the responsibility of the MEN in the community to help guide our children and teen boys to become men of integrity, accountability, emotional literacy, truth and mission. In doing so, our children gain essential tools needed to transition into adult life. We create safe circles where young men can talk about the events, emotions, and experiences of their lives, while at the same time learning important life skills. Not just from one man, but a community of mentors and role models who listen, accept, encourage and support young men on their journey to become good men.

Apna Ghar (www.apnaghar.org)

Apna Ghar seeks to end gender violence through a three-pronged, solutions focused approach of highly effective and innovative services for survivors and those who perpetrate harm, advocacy and community outreach and accountability.