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WIRC-CAA Victim Services Conducts Crisis Intervention Training

Macomb, Illinois, February 3, 2013 – WIRC-CAA Victim Services is again offering its Crisis Intervention Class to individuals interested in volunteering for its Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence programs. The course offers two 40-hour training sessions, one on domestic violence and the other on sexual assault. In order to qualify as a Victim Services volunteer, participants are required to attend both sessions.

The course will train individuals to assist those in crisis situations due to sexual assault and/or domestic violence, and is taught by Victim Services' staff members who work first hand with victims and survivors. The course can be taken by individuals who want to volunteer, or by those who would like additional training in working with domestic violence and sexual assault victims and survivors. The class fulfills required training for anyone wanting to volunteer or work at an Illinois rape crisis center or domestic violence services agency.

This spring's session begins on Tuesday, February 19, ending in mid-April. The class meets Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 5:15 to 9:30 p.m. and on two Saturdays, March 2 and March 23 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Western Illinois Regional Council at 223 South Randolph in Macomb. There are no classes during Spring Break week. Cost is \$100 for students and community members, \$150.00 for working professionals. Class size is limited, so preference will be given to those wanting to volunteer or who hope to intern with Victim Services. In order to conduct the class, we must have a minimum of 8 attendees.

Call (309) 837-6622 or (309) 836-2148 between the hours of 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. to register or if you have questions. Ask for Diane or Terry. Registration closes at noon on Friday, February 15, or as soon as the class is filled.

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