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Cornerstone Recruits Good M.E.N.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY – Cornerstone Family Violence Prevention Centre (Cornerstone) is launching a new campaign to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Walk a Mile in Her Shoes event, this initiative will feature men in the community as the "Man of the Month;" these men will be recognized as **M.E.N - Cornerstone's Men's Engagement Network**. These men are recognized by Cornerstone as community leaders and allies in raising the awareness of men's roles in ending family violence.

Domestic violence has long been thought of as a "women's issue," but this is not an issue that can be dealt with by women alone. Over the past 10 years Cornerstone has rallied men to show their support for local women and children by participating in the annual Walk A Mile in Her Shoes event, and continues to see the value in engaging men in the effort to end violence against women.

"M.E.N is a group of men from the community that are committed to ending the cycle of violence," says Executive Director Nancy Johnston. "Through groups like M.E.N, Cornerstone is recognizing the importance of a man's role in our work and showcases that ending domestic violence is a community problem that requires community solutions."

Each month Cornerstone will profile one, or more, men, deeming them the "Man," or "Men of the Month," recognizing and showcasing their efforts to break the cycle of family violence.

To view the current man of the month and future profiles, as well as for more information on the initiative, visit cornerstonenorthumberland.ca/men or call 905-372-1545.

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