



A Student Fundraising Drive for the **VAV Survivor's Emergency Fund**

Voices Against Violence (VAV), a program of the Counseling and Mental Health Center, invites student organizations to register for the inaugural fundraising drive to support the VAV Survivor's Emergency Fund.* The Fund provides financial assistance to student survivors of interpersonal violence. Your organization has the opportunity to significantly impact the experiences of student survivors on the UT Austin campus by contributing directly to this crucial fund.

Be an Anchor registration is open until November 1, 2013.

Two representatives from a registered student organization will be required to meet with a VAV staff person for a brief info session. Participating organizations will receive a campaign kit with materials from Voices Against Violence, including two "Be an Anchor" t-shirts. **Registered organizations will have five months until Monday, March 31, 2014 to raise funds.**

Make one of these anchors your goal as an organization!

All student organizations who participate will be honored in April 2014.

STEEL ANCHOR:
Donating up to \$100

SILVER ANCHOR:
Donating \$100+

GOLD ANCHOR:
Donating \$500+

PLATINUM ANCHOR:
Donating \$1,000+

To register, complete this online form:
tinyurl.com/Be-An-Anchor



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Organizations are encouraged to organize creative fundraisers, including but not limited to:

- Requesting donations from individual supporters
- Coordinating a profit-sharing event with a local business
- Organizing donation-based sales of food or other items
- Hosting a donation-based dinner party
- Hosting a pledge-based fun run

Individual donors who are interested in a tax credit can donate directly online at giving.utexas.edu

Students can instruct donors to select **“Counseling and Mental Health – Survivor’s Emergency Fund”** in the sub-menu; in the memo area, donors should note which student organization should be credited with their gift. More information about tracking donors and planning events will be provided at the info sessions for registered student organizations.

The screenshot shows the '1 Gift Selection' step of a donation form. The header reads 'LET'S MAKE HISTORY TOGETHER'. Below the header, there are two tabs: '1 Gift Selection' and '2 Personal Information'. The main heading is 'Please enter your gift.' followed by 'Please Choose the Area(s) You'd Like to Support'. There are two dropdown menus. The first is 'Gift Area' with 'Student Affairs, Office of Vice President' selected, and a corresponding 'Amount (\$)' field with '1000.00'. The second is 'Sub Department' with 'Counseling & Mental Health - Survivors Emergency' selected, and a corresponding 'Amount (\$)' field with '0.00'. Below these are three radio buttons: 'Ad' (selected), 'Ple' (unselected), and 'Gif' (unselected). The 'Ad' radio button is labeled 'One-Time Gift'. At the bottom, a message states: 'A one time gift of \$1000.00 will be made today. Thank you for your support.'

“What, then, is an anchor? Picture yourself for a moment as an anchor sitting on the ocean floor. You are made of the strongest steel, able to resist the corrosive elements which surround you... Attached by line to a ship, you serve to stabilize it, keeping it from going adrift. You are not there to control the ship... You don't go out and rescue your ship. Nor do you cut the line. Instead, you keep the line taut and the ship close, so it can always remember where it belongs in the sea.” — Susan Brewster

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For more information about Be an Anchor contact:

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The VAV Survivor's Emergency Fund provides financial assistance to student survivors of interpersonal violence (sexual violence, relationship violence, and/or stalking) with the aim of increasing that student's safety, coping, and independence. The fund was started in 2001 and has been supported entirely via individual contributions. If you or someone you know would like more information about how to access the Fund, please contact the Counseling and Mental Health Center to schedule an appointment with a VAV counselor by calling 512-471-3515.



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