

Statement from Independence House on Fratantonio murder

A domestic violence homicide affects the entire community

ARTICLE | NEWS | FEBRUARY 28, 2017 08:56 PM | BY CAPECODTODAY STAFF



Lysetta Hurge-Putnam, Executive Director of Independence House. In this 2011 file photo, Ms. Putnam lights candles for victims of domestic violence.

Like 333

A STATEMENT BY LYSETTA HURGE-PUTNAM, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF INDEPENDENCE HOUSE, INC.

We extend our greatest empathy to the family of 35 year old Mary (Molly) Fratantonio of Cotuit as we learned of her killing at the hands of her husband on February 28.

Our hearts are with her children, extended family, loved ones and community members who knew and loved her. This is a tragic reminder that Domestic Violence holds no demographics, and that a Domestic Violence Homicide affects the family of the victim and the entire community.

Independence House is committed to providing support services for family, close friends, neighbors, schoolmates, colleagues, or any member of the community affected by this or any Homicide, whether or not it is related to Domestic Violence.

We know that incidents like this might also impact individuals who are experiencing or may have experienced abuse. All Independence House services are free and confidential and available to anyone in our community on Cape Cod at any of our locations, through our 24 hour hotline at 800-439-6507, on our website at independencehouse.org, or at a location of their choosing. Teens in need of support may also access our online counseling chat through a dedicated teen website at independencehouseteens.org.

This week Independence House, in collaboration with the Cape and Islands District Attorney's Office and the Yarmouth Police Department are hosting the 5th Cape Cod White Ribbon Day event where men take a pledge to be part of the solution in ending violence against women. Our entire community has the power to end violence against women. We look forward to both men and women joining us this Thursday in Yarmouth at 9:00am at the Cape Cod Irish Village as active participants in achieving this vision of ending violence in all of its forms.

Related Content:

5th Annual Cape Cod White Ribbon Day Set for March 2



About the Author »

CapeCodToday Staff

Did Chicken for Breakfast Ever Dawn on You?

Try breakfast this month and we'll buy your coffee!

Chick-fil-A Cape Cod, Hyannis Breakfast Served 6:30 to 10:30

CAPE SPACE

Flexible workspace and meeting space with business amenities in Hyannis and Mashpee.



Miranda's Pet Sitting



Cape Cod Melody Tent

Poll

Do you think it's safe to drive through P-Town with a Trump sticker on one's car?

Yes	34% (51 votes)
No	66% (97 votes)
Total votes: 148	

[Past Polls | Results](#)

Facebook