



Extraordinary times call for extraordinary allies

As Berkshire County's only rape crisis/domestic violence services provider, Elizabeth Freeman Center has helped tens of thousands of survivors find hope, justice, and healing. But we did not - and can not - do it alone. Now, more than ever, we rely on community support to continue our work in the face of changing federal policies and funding uncertainty.

Rise Together is the Elizabeth Freeman Center's biggest community awareness movement and fundraising event. Every September we are joined by elected officials, our community partners, sponsors, neighbors and families at our Rise Together walks held in three towns across Berkshire County. We gather, we raise our voices and we raise funds to help survivors!

Sponsors are essential to helping us reach our fundraising goal. Last year, 32 local businesses and hundreds of individuals responded to our call by helping us raise over \$115,000. This year we are reaching even higher.

As a sponsor, you join us in sending a strong message that abuse will not be tolerated in our communities. Together we can ensure a violence-free future where all people can live with safety, justice and dignity.

Please keep reading to learn about our impact, view the list of sponsorship levels, and find the sponsorship application form.

View this packet online at ElizabethFreemanCenter.org/RiseTogether26/Sponsor

Our Services

**24/7 hotline for emergencies and support:
866-401-2425**

**In-person emergency response to hospitals and
police stations following an attack**

Temporary and long-term safe shelter

**Advocates stationed in all Berkshire County
courts to help with protection orders**

Money School financial independence program

**Youth healthy relationship and violence
prevention education**

**Community education and awareness
programs**

Specialized counseling for:

- LGBTQ+ survivors
- Immigrant survivors
- Survivors with disabilities
- Homeless survivors
- Children experiencing domestic violence

Services are provided in English and Spanish -
translation and interpretation services are available

Our Impact

In FY26^{*}, EFC

served **1,909** survivors
and their **2,129** children

answered **2,841** calls
and messages to our
24/7 hotline

provided **244** nights
of emergency shelter for
survivors fleeing
immediate violence

graduated **46**
participants from our
Money School financial
empowerment program

**as of 6/9/26*

About Elizabeth Freeman Center

Our Mission

Elizabeth Freeman Center offers hope, help, and healing to all experiencing or affected by domestic and sexual violence through free, accessible, and confidential services in Berkshire County. We work to end the cycle of violence through community mobilization, advocacy, and education. Promoting social justice and working to end all forms of oppression are essential to our work.

Our History

Serving the Berkshires for over 50 years, EFC represents the merger of two grass roots organizations: Women Services Center, incorporated in 1974 to address domestic violence; and Rape Crisis Center, incorporated in 1976. These two organizations combined in 1997 to become Elizabeth Freeman Center, named for a local hero who was born into slavery and successfully sued for her freedom. Since then, we've grown from small groups of dedicated volunteers working out of their cars and homes to become a county-wide presence with offices in North Adams, Pittsfield, and Great Barrington, and additional staff sited in two police stations, three courts, and Berkshire County Kids' Place.

Sponsor Benefits		Platinum \$10,000+	Gold \$5,000+	Silver \$2,500+	Bronze \$1,000+	Partner \$500+
Pre-Event	Social media promotion	Video feature	Video feature	Image post	Mention	Mention
	Name or logo on event flyer*	Logo	Logo	Name	Name	Name
	Recognition on email blasts/registration page	Logo	Logo	Name	Name	Name
	Recognition in all advertising	x	x	x		
On-Site	Recognition on sponsor banner*	Logo	Logo	Name	Name	Name
	Public acknowledgment at each walk	x	x	x		
Post-Event	Recognition in thank you email	x	x	x	x	x
	Recognition in next year's sponsor packet	x	x	x	x	
	Post-event publicity and social media highlight	x	x	x		
	Outgoing press release	x		*Must register before 8/14/26		

2026 Walk Dates

Tuesday, 9/15: Pittsfield - **Thursday, 9/24:** Lenox - **Thursday, 10/1:** North Adams

Dates subject to change.

Thank you to our 2025 top sponsors

**Berkshire Bank | Berkshire Money Management | Onyx Specialty Papers
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Rise Together 2026 Sponsor Sign-up Form

Name	
Organization	
Address	
Contact Person	
Contact Phone	
Contact Email	

Sponsorship Levels

Platinum (\$10,000+)	\$
Gold (\$5,000+)	\$
Silver (\$2,500+)	\$
Bronze (\$1,000+)	\$
Partner (\$500+)	\$

Please return this form to Elizabeth Freeman Center
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or scan the QR code above.