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## Media Advisory

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### Opening Celebration for new Family Justice Center and Domestic Violence Conference

**WHEN:** Friday, October 22, 2010

**WHAT:** Two major events in regard to domestic violence in Stanislaus County.

**1) Grand Opening of the new Family Justice Center.** This 9300 square foot facility will be a one-stop location for victims of violence, sexual assault, child and elder abuse. The FJC is a public-private partnership modeled after centers in Tacoma, Washington and New Orleans, Louisiana. More than a dozen partner agencies are taking part in this extremely unique project that has been more than four (4) years in the planning process. Participants and services include District attorney, law enforcement, counseling services, Haven Women's Center, social services and many more. The only Family Justice Center in the north valley.

Location: 1625 I Street Modesto

Time: 1:30 event starts. Tours end at 3:30

Audio/visual: Speakers, ribbon cutting, victim speech/interview, music, tours  
Free to the public

**2) 11th Annual Domestic Violence Conference "Healing Hurt Families."**

Speakers include internationally recognized Casey Gwinn, the President of the National Family Justice Center Alliance and Gael Strack, CEO of the National Family Justice Center Alliance. Gwinn is one of the pioneers of the family justice center concept. We anticipate 300 attendees at this event which is aimed at breaking the cycle of violence.

Location: 720 12th Street Modesto - Martin Peterson Event Center

Time: 8 a.m. - noon

Audio/visual: National quality speakers, interviews

Free admission

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