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National Network to End Domestic Violence Safety Net Technology Project Joins Facebook’s Global Safety Advisory Board

Washington, D.C. – The National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV) today announced that it is joining Facebook’s Safety Advisory Board, becoming one of five organizations from North America and Europe to be a part of the group. NNEDV’s Safety Net Technology Project experts have worked with Facebook consistently to represent the needs of victims of domestic violence, cyber-stalking and teen dating violence.

“We are honored to join Facebook’s Safety Advisory Board,” said Cindy Southworth, one of NNEDV’s vice presidents and the founder of NNEDV’s Safety Net Technology Project. “We’re grateful that Facebook regularly works with us to collect feedback on privacy features and online safety. We look forward to continuing our efforts together in an even greater capacity to create the safest possible online networking space for everyone – including survivors of domestic violence, dating abuse, cyber-stalking and harassment.”

Celebrating its one-year anniversary this week, Facebook’s Safety Advisory Board provides suggestions on new Facebook products before they are launched and advises Facebook on increasing online safety measures.

“Protecting the unique needs of domestic abuse victims and survivors is a responsibility shared by policymakers, safety advocates and organizations that seek to create the most robust safety environment possible, like Facebook,” said Marne Levine, Facebook’s Vice President for Global Public Policy. “We are thrilled to welcome the National Network to End Domestic Violence to our global Safety Advisory Board, and look forward to working with them closely to make sure that we are always taking into account the needs of domestic abuse victims.”

The four other member organizations of Facebook's Safety Advisory Board are:

- Childnet International, a UK-based charity working to help make the Internet a safe place for children and young people, alongside enabling them to use interactive technologies safely and responsibly.
- ConnectSafely.org, the leading interactive resource on the Web for parents, teens and educators engaged and interested in youth safety on the fixed and mobile Internet platforms.
- The Family Online Safety Institute, which works to make the online world safer for children and their families by identifying and promoting best practices, tools and methods in the field of online safety that also respect free expression.
- WiredSafety, the largest online safety, education and help group program in the world that provides help, information and education to Internet and mobile device users of all ages, especially on cyber-bullying matters.

For more information, visit

http://www.facebook.com/fbsafety#!/note.php?note_id=172904199397037&id=125459124158601.

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NNEDV, a 501(c)(3) organization, is the leading voice for domestic violence victims and advocates. Its members include the 56 state and territorial coalitions against domestic violence. It works closely with them to understand the needs of domestic violence victims and advocacy programs. NNEDV has been a premiere national organization advancing the movement against domestic violence for the past 15 years, after leading efforts among domestic violence advocates and survivors in urging Congress to pass the landmark Violence Against Women Act of 1994. To learn more, please visit www.nnedv.org

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