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Six new members join Board of Directors at Transitions Family Violence Services

HAMPTON, VA – Five new members from the community have been elected to sit on the Transitions Family Violence Services Board of Directors.

- Voncile Gilbreath, Business Development Manager, City of Hampton Dept. of Economic Development
- Chris Hill, Assistant Vice President, BB&T Newport News
- Kristie Lanford, formerly of Cox Communications
- Shawn Overbey, Attorney at Law, Jones, Blechman, Woltz & Kelly
- Sylvia Shanahan, Controller, City of Hampton
- Delegate Jeion Ward, 92nd District

As Board Members, they six community leaders will have many duties, including being strongly committed to the mission and goals of Transitions Family Violence Services; become informed about local, state, and national laws and policies regarding family violence and become an advocate for better family violence policies and services; as well as set policies regarding operations, employees and finances, and support the Executive Director in their implementation.

Transitions Family Violence Services is the largest domestic violence agency in Virginia, providing comprehensive family violence services in Hampton, Newport News, Poquoson, and York County. Since 1977, Transitions has provided “*a pathway to safety . . . a source of hope*” to tens of thousands of women, children and men on the Virginia Peninsula. The agency offers comprehensive and intervention programs to help families with essential needs including emergency shelter, transitional housing, counseling, legal advocacy, childcare and children’s services. To date, Transitions has sheltered more than 15,000 victims of abuse for 150,000 nights and has provided outreach support to many thousands more. For more information on Transitions, please call (757) 728-0025 or visit www.transitionsfvs.org