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## **Starbucks paints support group room at local domestic violence program**

Hampton, VA – On Saturday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, volunteers from Starbucks stores all over the Peninsula joined forces to paint two offices and the support group room at Transitions Family Violence Services. Led by Robyn Christner, Store Manager of Starbucks at Coliseum Crossing, 19 volunteers donated gallons of paint, materials, and hard labor to refresh and refurbish the offices and support group meeting room. The support group room is also used for art therapy sessions with children victims of family violence.

Transitions offers free support groups to the public every Tuesday from noon to 1:00 PM and from 6 PM – 7:30 PM. Each session is lead by a licensed therapist and involves discussion of the dynamics of abusive relationships, in addition to listening, sharing experiences, and talking with the group. A support group is also available for children. Childcare is provided free of charge. For more information, please call Jeanne Jennings at (757) 728-2638.

[Transitions Family Violence Services](http://www.transitionsfvs.org) is the largest domestic violence agency in Virginia, providing comprehensive family violence services in Hampton, Newport News, Poquoson, and York County. Since 1977, [Transitions](http://www.transitionsfvs.org) 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 our support groups, please call Jeanne Jennings at (757) 728-2638. For information on volunteering with Transitions, please call Michelle Harkey at (757) 728-0025. Visit [www.transitionsfvs.org](http://www.transitionsfvs.org) for more information on all of our programs.