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## Press Release

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## **TRAINING SESSION, DISPLAYS AT WHITMAN CENTER TO FOCUS ON PREVENTION OF VIOLENCE**

### *April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month*

TEMPERANCE, Mich. – Monroe County Community College is recognizing Sexual Assault Awareness Month by hosting a training session and display at the Whitman Center to heighten awareness about sexual assault and encourage prevention of future incidents.

The training session will be held on April 6 from 6-7:30 p.m. and is entitled “Avoid being a Victim.” It will take place in Room 8. The session will be led by University of Toledo Police Captain Julie Rightnowar and Officer Jill Goldberg, who will discuss strategies for survival.

According to the program description, self defense is about options – from risk reduction strategies to the use of deadly force. Empowerment is the goal, as individuals are responsible for their own personal safety.

At the program, participants will learn how not to look like a victim, the vulnerable areas on a potential attacker and how to use power to survive and escape an attack.

Two displays – the Monroe County Clothesline Project and the Silent Witness Project – will be available for viewing at the Whitman Center from April 1-15. Both are visual reminders of the local impact of domestic violence and sexual assault.

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The session and the displays are free and open to the public. The Whitman Center is located at 7777 Lewis Ave. in Temperance.

For more information, call the Whitman Center at 743-847-0559.

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