



APRIL 9, 2008 at 4:30pm Plaza de Cesar Chavez

**Only one more week! So it's time to put your feet where your heart is, bringing awareness and empathy to prevent sexual abuse in your community.**

**Please come to the Plaza de Cesar Chavez in downtown San Jose next Wednesday April 9, 2008 at 4:30pm for the YWCA's "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes" event. You will register and pick out shoes and let the world famous Taiko drummers lead the way in showing support to stop this violence and help fund the services of our Rape Crisis Centers. We will end with a reception at the beautiful California Theatre with food, drinks and awards to congratulate a job well done!**

Are you man enough to "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes"?

**Top 10 reasons why you should walk:  
Because...**

- One out of every 3 women will be assaulted in her lifetime.
- Sexual assault crosses all barriers.
- 97% of sexual assaults are committed by men.
- Up to 20% of all men are violated in their lifetime.
- 85% of the assaults are committed by someone the



- victim knows.
- You want to understand the dynamics of sexual assault.
  - You are disturbed by a culture and society that lends itself to sexual assault
  - Anyone can be sexually assaulted regardless of gender, ethnicity, age, sexual orientation or socio-economic background.
  - You don't want sexual violence to remain a hidden evil.
  - You want to make your community safer.

## YWCA OF SILICON VALLEY



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Are you **man** enough to support sexual assault awareness? Are you **man** enough to get your female friends to join you? Then join the hundreds of local men who will put on a pair of women's shoes for the 6th annual YWCA of Silicon Valley's *"Walk a Mile in Her Shoes"* event, **Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>**, at 4:30pm, beginning at Plaza de Cesar Chavez Park.

Join event co-chairs Police Chief Rob Davis, Fire Chief Darryl VonRaesfeld, AMR's Wayne Davis, Joint Venture Silicon Valley CEO Russ Hancock, photographer Chris Johnson and San Jose Convention & Visitors' Bureau CEO Dan Fenton, along with Mayor Chuck Reed, as they walk through the streets of downtown San Jose (less than a mile) to light-heartedly call attention to the very serious subject of sexual assault.

**Call 408-295-4011 x217 or check out [www.ywca-sv.org](http://www.ywca-sv.org)** for more information. You can register online or at the event. Proceeds from this event benefit victims of violence and sexual assault through the YWCA's Rape Crisis Center. For over 100 years, the YWCA of Silicon Valley has been there for all of us. Now it's your turn!

