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**‘Blue Ribbon Anthology’ to be screened May 31 at Journey Church**

Project is cinematic portrayal of how community unites to prevent child abuse, neglect

KENOSHA – A locally produced documentary-style film that portrays how community members can act to help prevent child abuse and neglect will be shown to the public May 31 at Journey Church.

“The Blue Ribbon Anthology” is a fictional depiction of a struggling family and the resources and relationships that work together to avert a tragedy.

The film was written by Kathy Burns and produced by Karyn van Heijningen and Clara-lin Tappa in cooperation with Kenosha Community Media. It is a project of the Turn the Town Blue Committee, which was founded in 2009 to raise awareness and provide tools for building strong families.

According to Nancy Morey, director of the PSN Family Resource Center, “This film shows professionals and community members doing what they can in their daily lives to help keep kids safe and make families stronger.”

The May 31 presentation at Journey Church, 10700 75<sup>th</sup> St., will begin at 11:30 a.m.; doors open at 11. Admission is free.

**About the Turn the Town Blue Committee:**

The Turn the Town Blue Committee coordinates community activities each year during April, National Child Abuse Prevention Month. Because of the importance of this issue, Committee members are available to show the “Blue Ribbon Anthology” and facilitate a discussion for agencies, organizations and community groups throughout the year upon request.

The committee includes representatives of the PSN Family Resource Center, Community Impact Programs Inc., the Kenosha Unified School District Head Start Program, Kenosha Achievement Center-Early Head Start, Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin Child Advocacy Center-Kenosha, Kenosha Area Family and Aging Services Inc., the Kenosha County Division of Health, the Kenosha County Division of Children and Family Services, and Lutheran Social Services-Stop Child Abuse and Neglect.

For more information, call 262-697-4628 or search for “Turn the Town Blue Campaign” on Facebook.

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