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## NEWS RELEASE

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### APD NEWS RELEASE:

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### Incident: APD Participates in Purple Light Nights

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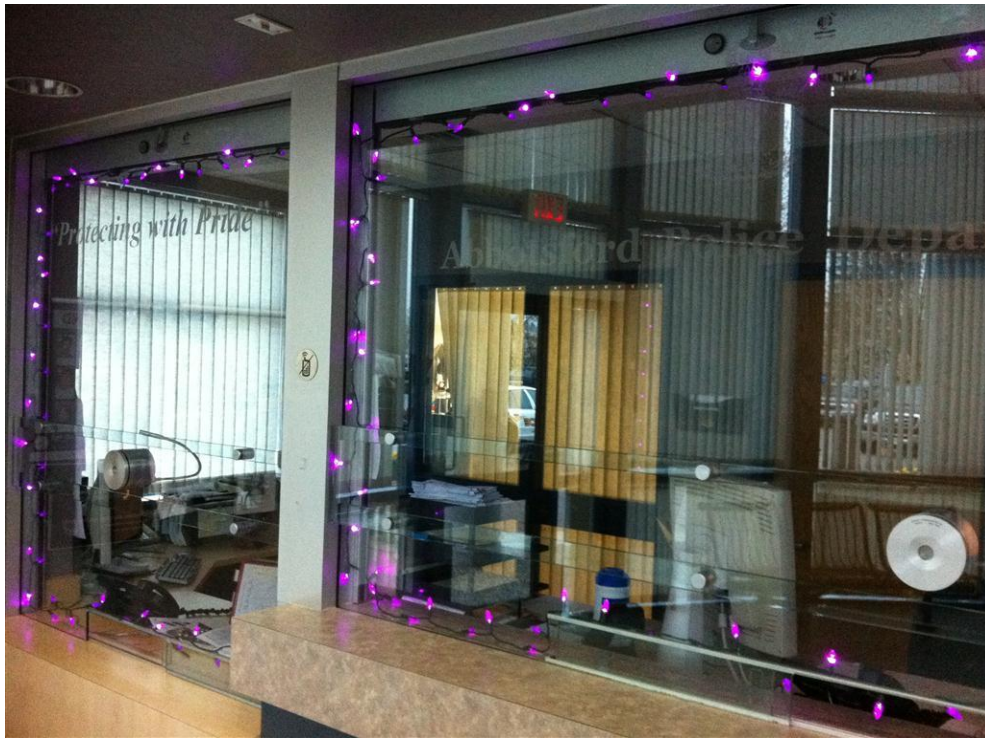
The Abbotsford Police Department, Mission RCMP and Abbotsford Crown Counsel will be showing support for the Purple Light Nights campaign during the Prevention of Violence Against Women Week (April 15 – 21) and Victims of Crime Week (April 22-28). The Purple Light Nights campaign was created to remember victims of domestic violence and to give hope to those who are still living with abuse.

The APD's Domestic Violence Unit has placed strings of purple lights in all of our buildings. Those lights will be displayed until the end of April but our hope is that all citizens in Abbotsford will join us in declaring that "Domestic Violence has No Place in our Community", now and forever. In addition, the Women's Resource Society has assisted us by providing silhouettes of real victims of domestic homicide that will also be on display at our Justice Way and Marshall Road locations. These silhouettes are "Silent Witnesses" and are yet another important way to remember and create awareness.

We encourage citizens and businesses to support the efforts of the Abbotsford/Mission Violence against Women in Relationships Committee (VAWIR).

You can find more information about Purple Light Nights at [www.purplelightnights.org](http://www.purplelightnights.org) & Silent Witness initiative at [http://www.wrsfv.ca/resources/silent\\_witness/SilentWitness.html](http://www.wrsfv.ca/resources/silent_witness/SilentWitness.html)

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