

YWCA CONCLUDES TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH WITH
DISPLAY OF ART FROM BIRMINGHAM SCHOOLS

WHAT/NEWS: The YWCA Central Alabama will celebrate the conclusion of a month-long education effort for National Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month by showcasing art made by Birmingham students Wednesday, Feb. 27.

Throughout the school year, the YWCA's Healthy Relationships AmeriCorps Members have gone into schools around Birmingham to educate students on healthy relationships. This month, to celebrate Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month, students created origami hearts highlighting healthy dating behaviors and practices based on the education provided by YWCA. Hearts from all of the schools will be displayed in the YWCA's downtown lobby as a reminder of what a healthy relationship should be, and that artwork will be celebrated at a reception Wednesday.

As part of the reception, the YWCA will receive a \$1,000 HopeLine grant from Verizon Wireless for their ongoing work in reducing teen dating violence.

WHO: YWCA staff, volunteers and AmeriCorps Members gather for a reception to showcase artwork made by Birmingham teens. Verizon Wireless representatives will also attend and make hearts during the reception.

WHEN: 4 p.m. Wednesday, February 27

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