

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Become a **COURT ADVOCATE** and make a real difference in the lives of domestic violence victims

The Rachel Coalition is training volunteers to assist domestic violence victims as they await their restraining order hearings in Essex County Family Court.

As a trained **VOLUNTEER COURT ADVOCATE** you will be able to

- ♦ Explain the restraining order process to victims.
- ♦ Help victims fill out the initial application.
- ◆ Provide information about community services that are available to victims once they leave the Court.
- ◆ Offer much-needed emotional support.

How can you become a volunteer advocate?

- ◆ All volunteer advocates must complete a 40-hour training program including observation in Family Court (no prior legal experience is necessary).
- ◆ Volunteers who have already taken a 40-hour domestic violence training class can qualify for an abbreviated training.

Training sessions will take place two mornings a week.

Call for start dates.

For more information and to sign up, call Suzanne Groisser, Esq., Rachel Coalition Coordinator of Legal Services at 201-407-3243 or sgroisser@jfsmetrowest.org



