October is a big month at Prevail—Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Our mission of raising awareness of not only family violence, but also the services we provide for survivors becomes of utmost importance. One of our volunteers, Sandy Dupree, has been quietly instrumental in spreading awareness of Prevail in the relatively short time that she has been with us.

Sandy has been trained to make appointment confirmation calls and comes in on Mondays and Tuesdays to do just that. Often, the number of calls number into the 50’s, which can take two or more hours. Because Sandy makes these calls, she frees up our office staff to focus our full attention on our clients, whether they walk through our doors or call us. Sandy has also taken on the important (and dreaded!) task of filing.

More than that though, Ms. Dupree has been our cheerleader out in the community. She has talked with community centers, churches, the library, and restaurants about stocking our brochures and information cards. She then hand delivers our outreach materials to them. Sandy single-handedly is raising awareness of Prevail and what we do here. She also brings fresh flowers for our client waiting area every week!

For all of this, Sandy Dupree truly is our hero! And that is why we are naming her the Prevail Hero of the Month for October. Thank you Sandy; people like you help not just Prevail, but our entire community.

Thank you Sandy! You are our Hero!