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Two sororities at Embry Riddle Aeronautical University joined together to hold an event to raise awareness to prevent intimate partner violence. The members of Sigma Sigma Sigma and Sigma Sigma Rho partnered with the athletic department and held a “Purple Out” volleyball game, where the five-time Lady Eagles conference champions played Coastal Georgia.

The sororities chose purple because it is the color for domestic violence awareness. Students were encouraged to purchase purple t-shirts that said “Volley Against Violence.” There were bins for food donations too for the Domestic Abuse Council’s Emergency Shelter.

“We sold over 130 t-shirts and we are still selling more. It was a great and we hope to make it an annual event. Everybody got really into it,” said Paige Sanchez, a senior engineering student at ERAU and the Community Service Chairwoman for Sigma Sigma Sigma.

The sororities recently presented the Domestic Abuse Council, Inc. with a check for \$845.00, profit from the t-shirt sales and nearly 100 pounds of food.

“It is so important for young people to get involved with this cause since females aged 20-24 are at the greatest risk of non-fatal partner violence. We applaud their social consciousness and know our future is in good hands with these leaders,” Cheryl Fuller, CEO of the Domestic Abuse Council, Inc. said.

To learn more about Domestic Abuse Council go to www.domesticabusecouncil.com. The Domestic Abuse Hotline is 1-800-500-1119.

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In the photo all of the women are members of Sigma Sigma Sigma Sorority: Paige Sanchez a senior, Community Service Chair (brown hair); Melani Elegano a sophomore, T-shirt Chair (blue shirt); Jansyn Johnston a junior, Social Chair, Halloween Fashion Show Chair (white shirt); Jordan Hilgers, a junior, Participation Chair (blond hair); Tiffany Barrett a freshman (peach shirt); Kaelyn Cunningham a freshman (black top); Katelyn Wentworth a freshman (blue top).

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