

Who does abuse affect?

In one day...

- 4 women were murdered** by their intimate partners
- 7 children were killed** by their fathers
- 2 women miscarried** as a result of domestic violence
- 7 babies were born** to women **living in shelters**
- 1 woman was battered** every **9 seconds**

Domestic violence is the number one reason for injury to women in the United States, and Marin County is not an exception. It affects people from every walk of life, including every socio-economic group, gender, religion, race, profession, and education level. Beyond the person experiencing the abuse, it can impact the workplace, schools, places of worship, and stability in the home. Lost work hours, medical costs, law enforcement time, and emotional trauma all have a tremendous impact on society.

IN MARIN COUNTY

- 30% of women treated in emergency rooms have been victimized by domestic violence
- One in three girls is a victim of verbal, physical, or emotional abuse by a dating partner
- 7% of victims receiving advocacy services are men
- Domestic violence has been the number one violent crime for more than 20 years

Sources: Nationwide statistic from Domestic Violence Counts 24-Hour Census, Sept. 15, 2009. Domestic Violence: Marin's Number One Violent Crime, 2009-2010 Marin County Civil Grand Jury Report, June 4, 2010 and other sources.

Do you know someone who is in an unhealthy relationship?

If someone you know answers "yes" to these questions, suggest s/he contact one of our hotlines.

- Is one partner threatened to do things s/he does not want to do, "or else?"
- Does one partner threaten to kill the other if s/he does not obey?
- Does one partner act jealous or possessive?
- Does one partner put the other person down constantly?
- Is one partner afraid of the other?
- Does one partner threaten to harm the pets of the family or actually harm them?

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CENTER FOR DOMESTIC PEACE

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Changing our name, continuing the work

24-HOUR HOTLINES

English Hotline: 415.924.6616

Spanish Hotline: 415.924.3456

Men's Hotline: 415.924.1070

Our history and legacy

Center for Domestic Peace

was founded in 1977 by a group of visionary women operating under the name Marin Abused Women's Services (MAWS). Since then, thousands of women, children, and men have been helped to end the violence and to achieve safe, productive lives.

MAWS started as a volunteer effort with women being sent to private homes for safety. Over the years, we have grown to provide emergency shelter, transitional housing, advocacy, counseling, training, support groups, education and prevention strategies, and local, state and national advocacy. We are known as a leader in the field of domestic violence prevention.

To better reflect the wide range of our current and future work, in October 2010 we adopted a new name – **Center for Domestic Peace** – where MAWS continues to find its home.

Center for Domestic Peace mobilizes individuals and communities to transform our world so domestic violence no longer exists, creating greater safety, justice, and equality.

CENTER FOR DOMESTIC PEACE

At a glance

- 24/7 English & Spanish hotlines
- Safety planning
- Emergency shelter
- Transitional housing
- Drop-in support groups
- Domestic violence response teams
- Information and referrals
- Advocacy, court accompaniment, and referrals
- Classes and training for men and women to learn how to stop their violence
- Community education and prevention programs for youth and adults
- Technical assistance and training for local, state, and national groups
- Policy development

SAFETY & EMPOWERMENT

24/7 EMERGENCY HOTLINES

Immediate support and safety planning for those in danger or at risk, as well as information and referrals.

EMERGENCY SHELTER

A confidential refuge for women and their children, counseling, medical assistance, food, clothing, support groups, housing assistance, and transportation.

TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

Second Step provides long-term transitional housing, supportive services, and economic development tools for women and their children who have been victims of domestic violence.

CLASSES FOR STOPPING VIOLENT BEHAVIOR

Teaches participants how to stop their violence through peer re-education. *ManKind* is for and by men, and *WomanKind* is for and by women.

SUPPORT GROUPS

Domestic violence education, emotional support, and referrals on a drop-in basis.

ADVOCACY

Crisis intervention counseling, civil and criminal court accompaniment, assistance with obtaining legal services, restraining orders, and support services.

Each year, we help more than 3,700 individuals affected by domestic violence.

COORDINATED COMMUNITY RESPONSE

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESPONSE TEAMS

Creates partnerships between advocates and key players to monitor and improve the effectiveness of victim services and batterer accountability responses – and to develop protocols and policies – while sending the message that domestic violence is not tolerated.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

For groups such as law enforcement, nurses, psychologists, medical staff, mental health providers, schools, churches, workplaces, and community groups. *Continuing education credits available.*

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COORDINATING COUNCIL

Supported by our leadership, links Marin County government, criminal justice, and other agencies to strengthen emergency response and intervention services and programs.

SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION

TRANSFORMING COMMUNITIES

A national project, which, through leadership development and training, builds the capacity of individuals, organizations, and communities for effective prevention.

EDUCATION AND PREVENTION

Teaches youth and adults strategies for healthy and equal relating to prevent all forms of violence, including bullying and teen dating abuse.

PUBLIC POLICY

Leadership at the local, state, and national level helps draft policies and pass legislation that increases the effectiveness of domestic violence intervention, prevention, and protection of victim's rights.

How can you make a difference?

We rely on the generosity of spirit and time from many individuals and groups to support our work in Marin and beyond.

CREATING CHANGE

Volunteer to provide domestic violence counseling on our hotlines; facilitate a support group; or join our speaker's bureau or a community action team to make a difference in your neighborhood or at your workplace.

Donate the gift of time, money, or material goods. All of these gifts support our many programs, services, and initiatives.

Become an agent of change by downloading our Individual Peace Agreement and pledging your commitment to creating and maintaining healthy and non-violent relationships:

www.centerfordomesticpeace.org/peaceagreement

