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IN MARIN COUNTY

- One in three girls is a victim of verbal, physical, or emotional abuse by a dating partner.
- 7% of victims receiving advocacy services from Center for Domestic Peace are men.
- Domestic violence has been the number one violent crime for more than 20 years.

Sources: The National Domestic Violence Hotline, Marin County Civil Grand Jury Report, (June 4, 2010), and other sources.

Who does abuse affect?

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?

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.

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24-HOUR HOTLINES
English Hotline: 415.924.6616
Spanish Hotline: 415.924.3456
Men’s Hotline: 415.924.1070

Marin Youth Services Text Line
M-F, 9am-5pm  415.526.2557

Every 9 seconds in the US a woman is assaulted or beaten.
Females ages 18 to 24 generally experience the highest rates of dating abuse/domestic violence.
Women are much more likely than men to be victimized 86 percent of victims of abuse are at the hands of a boyfriend or girlfriend.

20,000 domestic violence hotlines are answered nationally each day.
3 to 4 million children witness domestic violence every year.

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SAFETY & EMPOWERMENT

24/7 EMERGENCY HOTLINES & TEXT LINE
Immediate support and safety planning for those in danger or at risk, as well as information and referrals.

EMERGENCY SHELTER
A confidential refuge for victims of domestic violence and sex trafficking and their children, counseling, medical assistance, food, clothing, support groups, housing assistance, and transportation.

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

CLASSES FOR STOPPING VIOLENT BEHAVIOR
Teaches participants how to stop their violence through peer 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.

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

THERAPY
Specialized domestic violence healing therapy program for individuals, parents with children 0-18 years and multi-family therapy “In This Together.”

Each year, we help more than 4,000 individuals affected by domestic violence.

COORDINATED COMMUNITY RESPONSE

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESPONSE TEAMS
24-hour counseling available to hospitals and police stations.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING
Policy and protocol development for schools, hospitals, medical centers, social services, businesses so every entity knows what to do to end domestic violence and save lives.

COORDINATED COMMUNITY RESPONSE TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE NETWORK
(CCR to DV Network)
Hosted by Center for Domestic Peace and the Marin County District Attorney’s Office, the CCR to DV Network links Marin County government, criminal justice, and human services to reduce domestic violence in Marin.

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 in high schools and colleges.

ACTIVISM
Youth, survivors and others organize to promote awareness about the issue of domestic violence and work toward social change.

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.

At a glance
- 24/7 English, Spanish, and youth hotlines
- Safety planning
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- Youth text line
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- Emergency shelter
- Transitional housing
- Drop-in support groups
- Children and youth services
- Trauma therapy and counseling, individual and family
- Information and referrals
- Legal system advocacy, court accompaniment, and referrals
- Classes and training for men and women to learn how to stop their violence
- Domestic violence response teams
- Community education and prevention programs for youth and adults
- Technical assistance and training for local, state, and national groups

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/its-not-ok