



Transforming Lives After Domestic Violence

Help Line: 800-600-SAFE About A Safe Place

Our Mission

A Safe Place is the leading advocate for eliminating domestic violence in Northern Illinois.

Who We Are

As the only organization in Lake County solely dedicated to domestic violence, we have been helping transform victims' lives after domestic abuse for 35 years. Each year we provide life-saving services and programs to more than 16,000 children and adults.

The Need We Fill

Domestic violence doesn't discriminate by gender, race, ethnicity, income, geography or religion. At some point in our lives, nearly all of us will know someone affected by domestic violence. Every nine seconds, a woman in the U.S. is assaulted or beaten, and one in every four women will experience domestic violence in her lifetime. Fleeing from abuse, terrified for their lives and the safety of their children, survivors come to A Safe Place in need of protection. A Safe Place is there, providing a continuum of care to survivors and their children, as well as community education and advocacy to create a violence-free society.

What We Do

A Safe Place provides crucial and comprehensive services to victims of domestic violence by:

- Filing **1,861** orders of protection for domestic violence.
- Overseeing **1,484** custody exchanges and **1,185** supervised visits
- Responding to **2,570** crisis line calls, often the first courageous step a victim of domestic violence will take.
- Providing **10,979** hours of one-on-one and group counseling to **928** victims and children, helping them gain control of their lives.
- Providing art therapy and counseling to over **400** children who were abused or witnessed abuse.
- Educating **8,673** students and community members about healthy relationships.
- Providing **28,827** nights of emergency shelter, housing, and other necessities for families fleeing abuse.
- Helping nearly **300** abusers learn accountability for their actions.



How You Can Help

Everyone has the right to a violence-free, safe and healthy life. We depend on the generosity of people like you - loyal donors, volunteers, community advocates and caring members of the community - to help make a difference for victims of domestic violence. Together we can reduce violence and create safer communities. For more information please contact Pat Davenport at pdavenport@asafeplaceforhelp.org