

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

- **Share this brochure**

Give it to someone you believe is a victim of family violence or with someone you think is being abused.

- **Encourage victims to seek help**

Offer support to those you suspect are abused.

- **Contribute financially**

Your gift will provide comfort, and support our clients.

- **Remember Safe Haven in your will**

It costs money to provide a safe place to sleep, food, activities for a child or support for an incest survivor.

- **Raise community awareness**

Encourage your organization and/or business to host a speaker or sponsor a fund-raising event for Safe Haven.

- **Volunteer your time**

Providing 24-hour coverage requires us to rely heavily on volunteers. Training is provided.

- **Provide materials and supplies**

Items needed include paper products, toiletries, cleaning supplies, disposable diapers, bedding, sweatshirts and sweatpants.

- **Volunteer your professional skills**

Safe Haven needs plumbing, electrical, carpentry, painting, printing, catering and gardening services. Safe Haven maintains housing and offices that require on-going maintenance.

Safe Haven of Greater Waterbury, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Your donation is tax deductible as allowed by law.

In a typical year, Safe Haven will provide

- 5,200 nights of safe shelter for women and children
- an advocate in court for over 3,000 victims facing their abuser
- more than 4,500 counseling sessions to adults and children who have been victims of domestic violence or sexual abuse
- educational programs to over 9,000 individuals, from elementary school through college

SAFE HAVEN

Offices

29 Central Ave.
Waterbury, CT 06702
Voice: 203.575.0388
Fax: 203.574.3306

88 Main St. South, Suite 203-B
Southbury, CT 06488
Voice: 203.262.8700

Mailing address

PO Box 1503
Waterbury, CT 06721

Domestic Violence Hotline

203.575.0036

Sexual Assault Hotline

203.753.3613

Connecticut Toll-Free Hotlines

Domestic Violence – 888.774.2900
Sexual Assault – 888.999.5545 (English)
– 888.568.8332 (Spanish)

Safe Haven Thrift Shop

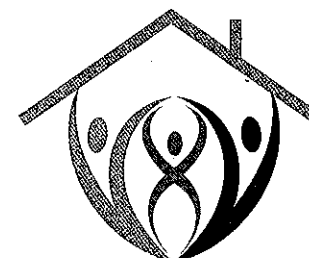
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DID YOU KNOW?

Safe Haven's skilled staff and volunteers believe that, by working together, we can inspire change, one life at a time. Here's why Safe Haven exists in your community:

- Domestic violence and sexual assault cross all socio-economic, cultural and religious lines
- Every 15 seconds a woman is battered in the United States
- Every 2 minutes someone in the United States is sexually assaulted
- 3.3 million children witness domestic violence each year
- 1 in 4 girls and 1 in 6 boys will be sexually abused before they are 18
- 97% of all rapists never spend a day in jail
- Only 10% of all sexual assaults are reported to the police; 4% if the victim knows the attacker
- In Connecticut there are over 20,000 arrests annually for domestic violence
- Up to 50% of all homeless women and children are fleeing domestic violence

ARE YOU A VICTIM?

Does a person you love...

- Make all the decisions?
- Control what you do, who you see, where you go, who you talk to?
- Constantly accuse you of being unfaithful?
- Look at you in ways that are meant to frighten?
- Hit you in places where bruises won't show?
- Destroy your property or threaten to kill you or your pets?
- Call you names, kick, shove, punch, choke, spit or throw things at you when angry?
- Deny their abusive actions or worse yet, say that you exaggerate their behavior?
- Threaten to harm you or your children?
- Force you to have sex?
- Grab you or push you against walls or furniture?
- Say it's your fault when verbal, emotional, or sexual assaults take place?

If you said yes to even one, you may be in an abusive relationship.

CAN SAFE HAVEN HELP?

Yes! If you are being, or have you been, physically, sexually, or emotionally abused, Safe Haven offers safety, shelter and support.

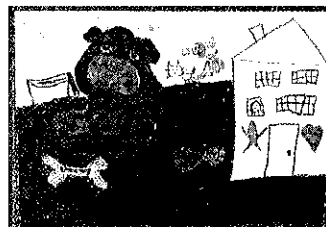
Services

- 24-hour crisis intervention
 - Assistance with Temporary Restraining Orders
 - Individual and peer group counseling
 - Child counseling, art therapy and advocacy
 - Advocacy to help clients with the police, hospitals and courts
 - Up to 60 days of emergency shelter for women and their children
 - Criminal court advocacy
 - D.O.V.E. (Developing Options for Victim's Education) informational class for clients who may be referred by the courts or DCF
 - Educational presentations for all ages in schools, businesses, and community groups
 - Information and referral
 - Services for the LGBT community
 - Spanish bilingual/bicultural staff
- All services are FREE and confidential. Safe Haven does not subscribe to caller ID.

Do You Need Help?

Our services are
FREE and CONFIDENTIAL

Domestic violence hotline – 203 575 0036
Sexual assault hotline – 203 753 3613



SAFE
HAVEN
IS HERE
FOR YOU.

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CONNECTICUT ALLIANCE
TO END SEXUAL VIOLENCE
Support. Advocate. Prevent.



Testimonials from former clients

"Safe Haven saved my life."

"Safe Haven makes survivors out of domestic violence victims."

"In a time of uncertainty and fear, I was provided with a safe, compassionate and supportive environment. Life at Safe Haven is just that; a second chance at a new life and a safe haven to heal and grow."

About us

We offer a **Safe Haven** for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault by providing free, confidential services in a safe, caring environment; striving to raise awareness through community education and outreach. Our support, counseling and advocacy restores hope and helps people reclaim their lives.