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

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Sexual Assault Hotline
203.753.3613

Connecticut Toll-Free Hotlines
Domestic Violence – 888.774.2900
Sexual Assault – 888.999.5545 (English)
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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; 49% 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

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.

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.