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Domestic Violence in Alaska

WHAT IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE?

Domestic violence is the willful intimidation, physical assault, battery, sexual assault, and/or other abusive behavior as part of a systematic pattern of power and control perpetrated by one intimate partner against another. It includes physical violence, sexual violence, threats, and emotional abuse. The frequency and severity of domestic violence can vary dramatically.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN ALASKA

- 59% of adult women in Alaska experience intimate partner or sexual violence in their lifetimes.[i]
- Almost 30% of Alaskans were not able to access victim services or encourage others to do so because of a lack of services in their area.[ii]
- Alaska has the highest homicide rate for female victims killed by a male perpetrator in the nation.[iii]
- More than 3 out of every 4 American Indian and Alaska Native women are physically assaulted during their lifetimes.[iv]

DID YOU KNOW?

- 1 in 3 women and 1 in 4 men have experienced some form of physical violence by an intimate partner.[v]
- On a typical day, domestic violence hotlines receive approximately 21,000 calls, approximately 15 calls every minute.[vi]
- Intimate partner violence accounts for 15% of all violent crime.[vii]
- Having a gun in the home increases the risk of homicide by at least 500%.[viii]
- 72% of all murder-suicides involved an intimate partner; 94% of the victims of these crimes are female.[ix]

1ST Congressional District:

Abused Women's Aid in Crisis, Inc. (AWAIC)
Anchorage
(907) 272-0100

Arctic Women in Crisis (AWIC)
Barrow
(907) 852-0267

The Tundra Women's Coalition (TWC)
Bethel
(907) 543-3456

Cordova Family Resource Center (CFRC)
Cordova
(907) 424-4357

If you need help:
Call The National Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-799-SAFE (7233)
Or, online go to DomesticShelters.org

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Safe& Fear-Free Environment (SAFE)
Dillingham
(907) 842-2316

Interior Alaska Center for Non-Violent Living (IAC)
Fairbanks
(907) 452-7273

South Peninsula Haven House
Homer
(907) 235-8101

The LeeShore Center
Kenai
(907) 283-7257

Women in Safe Homes (WISH)
Ketchikan
(907) 225-9474

Maniilaq Family Crisis Center (MFCC)
Kotzebue
(907) 442-3969

Bering Sea Women's Group (BSWG)
Nome
(907) 443-5444

SeaView Community Services DVSA Program
Seward
(907) 224-3027

Unalaskans Standing Against Family Violence (USAFV)
Unalaska
(907) 581-1500

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