

# **Stop Domestic Violence**

call  
1-888-563-6904  
24 Hour Hotline

Office Hours: 9am-5pm  
Monday-Friday  
By appointment only

P.O. Box 97  
Westport, NY 12993

www.bhsn.org  
Behavioral Health Services North

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**I need help...**

**I don't know what to do...**

**I feel trapped...**

**I am worried about my children...**

**I am afraid of being beaten again...**

**YOU ARE NOT ALONE**

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"Domestic Violence has  
Historically been a socially  
Condoned phenomenon. In  
Response to the needs of the  
Victims of domestic violence,  
It is our goal to work toward  
An eradication of family  
Violence in our society"

**New York State Coalition  
Against Domestic Violence**

## **Battering is Common**

It occurs among people of all levels of income and education, race and religion.

## **Battering is Serious**

Victims of domestic assault are 3 times more likely to be assaulted again within 6 months than are other victims of assault.  
It accounts for half of the serious injuries Which bring women to emergency rooms.

*When we feel that our mental health, our physical well being or our lives are at risk- or when we feel that our children are being harmed by the atmosphere of stress and fear - we may find ourselves in need of counseling, temporary shelter and support.*

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## **Stop DV offers....**

- \* 24 hour a day hotline service
- \* Temporary emergency housing
- \* Advocacy with courts, local Departments of Social Services, Police, etc
- \* Educational information and speakers about domestic violence and its effects
- \* Individual supportive counseling
- \* Referrals to and information about other local, state, and nationwide services.

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## **If you are concerned...**

STOP Domestic Violence offers information and training on issues of domestic violence, listening skills, and crisis intervention counseling.

## **You can volunteer your time to....**

- \* Receive hotline calls forwarded to volunteers in their homes during hours the office is closed
- \* Attend periodic meeting to keep up-to-date on procedures and skills, and share experiences.
- \* Learn about legal procedures and help to affect social change

### **.... or donate**

Items are always needed including:

- \* Money
- \* Personal care products
- \* Cleaning supplies

### **... or invite a speaker**

STOP DV will address you class, club, church, temple or staff meeting to help other understand the issues and problems of domestic violence.

*The more people who understand, the closer we move toward eliminating domestic violence.*

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## **COMMUNITY RESOURCES**

- \* NYS Police
  - Elizabethtown 873-2111
  - Keeseville 834-9040
  - Westport 962-8235
  - Willsbore-Essex 963-7400
- \* Lake Placid Police Department 523-3306
- \* Ticonderoga Police Department 585-3456
- \* Hospitals
  - Adirondack Medical Center Saranac Lake 891-7612
  - Adirondack Medical Center Lake Placid 523-3311
  - CVPH Medical Center Plattsburgh 561-2000
  - Elizabethtown Community Hospital 873-2831
  - Moses Ludington 585-2831
- \* NYS Child Abuse Hotline 1-800-342-3720
- \* NYS Coalition Against Domestic Violence 1-800-942-6906
- \* National Domestic Violence 1-800-799-SAFE or 1-800-787-3224(TTY)

