



Domestic Violence Services

Survivor Services

- ▶ These programs all work with survivors of IPV (Intimate Partner Violence) in the various communities of the rural regions of Hampshire, Worcester, and Hampden Counties of Massachusetts.
- ▶ Each community advocacy program addresses domestic violence by area and/or location where services are rendered. Each program fills a previously identified gap in DV services.
- ▶ Advocates provide individual support, support groups, safety planning, mental health referrals, limited transportation and help to secure temporary safe placement (hotel, motel, etc.).
- ▶ **DVIP- The Domestic Violence Intervention Project** is a community telephone-based advocacy program that works closely with the Hampshire County police departments to provide victims/survivors of IPV with immediate assistance after a crisis incident that needed a police response. Advocates provide support, crisis safety planning, referrals and temporary safe placement (Hotel, Motel, Etc....)and/or transportation. Currently this service is offered 7 days a week from 5pm -7am weekdays and 24 hours a day on Saturday and Sunday.

Domestic Violence Advocacy

- ▶ **Civilian Police Advocate:** A community-based advocacy program that aide's victims of IPV *after police are called to home*. The advocates work closely with the local police departments to assist victims/survivors with identified needs and a connection to DV services. Services such as safety planning, safe housing help, referral to SafePlan, food support, legal assistance, and mental help referrals.
- ▶ **Community and Hospital Advocate:** This program provides immediate crisis services to survivors of DV *in a hospital setting or over the phone*. Advocates help with crisis safety planning, referrals of many different levels, help with finding shelter, applying for public housing, and public benefits.
- ▶ **SafePlan District Court Advocate:** This program provides immediate crisis services to survivors of DV *in a court setting or by phone*. SafePlan Advocates help with safety planning, assist with court-base paperwork (restraining orders, harassment orders, no-abuse orders, etc.), court proceeding accompaniment, and referrals of many different levels of need

Perpetrator Services

► A Call for Change Helpline 877.898.3411

The helpline is a free, anonymous and confidential IPA (intimate partner abuse) prevention phoneline servicing Massachusetts adults and teens who are at risk of harming their intimate partner or who have questions about how to be a safe partner. The helpline responders are also trained to answer questions from IPV survivors, family members, and clinical professionals

► Proteus IPAEP (Intimate Partner Abuse Education Program)

This program is an Intimate Partner Abuse Education program formatted by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health-certified 40-week program for men who are working to create safe and respectful intimate partner relationships. BHN also offers a IPAEP program for “Women Who Use force” Group, which meets online.

Make referrals by contacting BHN DV Services Department directly

Call or email the DV or Proteus Supervisors
or the Program Director:

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Resources

Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Service Agencies and Crisis Centers

- BHN Valley Human Services- Ware, MA 413.976.6241 New Hope- 800.323.4673 (Worcester County)
- Safe Passage, Inc. – Northampton, MA 413.586.5066
- The Network LaRed (LGBTQ Program)- Boston, MA 617.742.4911 NELCWIT – Greenfield, MA 413.772.0806 \ Athol, MA 978.544.9857
- YWCA of Western MA Springfield, MA 413.733.7100
- Alianza DV-Holyoke, MA 413.536.1628
- SAFELINK- for Shelter Requests- Hotline/24hrs – 877.785.2020 National DV Hotline- 800.799.7233
- CWC (Center for Women and Community) UMass Campus, Amherst, MA 413.545.0800