Come join us for wrap around services at the YWCA Alternatives to Domestic Violence Program

Wednesdays
1 PM
930 N. Monroe
789.9297

Wrap Around Wednesday services are available to women that have experienced domestic violence with their intimate partner. For men that have experienced domestic violence, individual appointments are available by calling 789.9297.

Domestic Violence Services available:

- Legal clinic to address family law matters
- Legal advocacy to assist with protection orders
- Advocacy based counseling and safety planning
- Housing resources and advocacy
- Advocacy for children that have experienced “hard things”
- Advocacy for people on tanf or needing cash assistance
- Job readiness services for women

And more!

Childcare is provided for all services

The YWCA is here to support survivors of domestic violence. Please feel free to call us with any other needs you might have.
What is Domestic Violence?
- Domestic violence can be defined as a pattern of behavior in any relationship that is used to gain or maintain power and control over an intimate partner. (National Domestic Violence Hotline, www.thehotline.org)
- It is a pattern of coercive, controlling behavior that can include physical, emotional or psychological abuse, sexual abuse or financial abuse (using money and financial tools to exert control). (National Network to End Domestic Violence, www.nnedv.org)

Domestic Violence Facts
- Domestic violence affects millions of people regardless of age, socioeconomic status, education, race or religion
- Gay and Lesbian couples experience domestic violence at the same rates as heterosexual couples
- 85% of victims of domestic violence are females with male abusers
- 1 in 4 women will experience domestic violence at some point in her life
- Every day an average of 3 women in the US are killed by a current or former intimate partner

How Can I Help My Friend or Family Member?
- Assure her that the abuse is NOT her fault or her children’s fault. She did not cause the violence. No one deserves to be abused.
- LISTEN to your friend and BELIEVE what she tells you. Let her know you care about her and will listen if she wants to talk; that may be the best help you can offer.
- Don’t assume you know what’s best for her. Let her know you’ll support her no matter what she decides. To be helpful, be patient and respect her decisions, even if you don’t agree with them.