



what we do

Safety

Safe Shelter

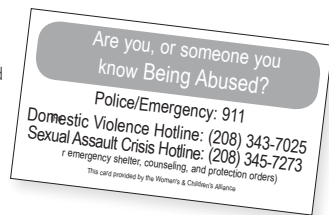


For people leaving an abusive relationship, safety is often the most important concern. At the heart of our efforts are secure shelter and transitional housing which provide 56 beds for women and children.

Hot Lines

The WCA's two 24-hour information hotlines are the critical first step for people seeking safety for themselves or for someone they care about. Staffed by trained Client Advocates familiar with a variety of community resources, this resource creates opportunities and answers questions.

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Court Advocacy

Thanks to a long-standing partnership with the Ada County Court system, the WCA walks petitioners seeking protection orders through the civil protection order process before they have a hearing in court. Staff and volunteers explain court processes, discuss options, resources and concerns. Having a compassionate, knowledgeable advocate lets victims know they are not alone in the process.

The Court Advocacy program also supports clients navigating family law cases such as divorce, custody and interstate relocation. By offering pro se support, referring clients to legal service agencies and connecting clients to volunteer attorneys, the WCA is able to provide broader services to clients facing complex civil legal matters.



Safety Planning

Clients can complete a personalized safety plan with trained WCA personnel. Safety Planning is similar to having a disaster-preparedness plan in place. Just as families prepare for what to do in an emergency, safety planning prepares victims should they encounter a violent incident and create a safe plan for leaving. Each safety plan is a personalized, practical plan that can help a victim avoid dangerous situations and know the safest way to respond when they are in danger.

To learn more about any of the WCA programs go to

www.wcaboise.org

Healing

Counseling and Support Groups

Counseling is where healing begins for most clients. Whether it's a weekly support group or individual counseling sessions, the WCA offers survivors access to master's-level clinicians trained in offering a variety of approaches that best help clients on the road to healing.

WCA provides services that help individuals recover from the trauma of witnessing abuse as a child or experiencing child sexual assault, as well as that of abuse in adulthood. Survivors of sexual assault and domestic abuse are empowered to rebuild strong relationships.



Freedom

Case Management

Survivors face many challenges while in the process of establishing a violence-free life. The WCA has two full-time Case Managers who help guide clients to community resources that provide them with choices to rebuild their lives. Whether it's health care, employment, food or housing, Case Managers know how to access the supportive services that create the Treasure Valley's safety net.



Our Mission

The Women's and Children's Alliance provides safety, healing, and freedom from domestic abuse and sexual assault.

who we are

Providing safe places for women to live has been at the core of our mission for over 100 years. The WCA began in 1910 as the Boise YWCA (Young Women's Christian Association). It was established to provide a safe place for young single women to live, eat, and socialize. In addition to room, board, and other basic services, the YWCA offered classes, camps, and community service opportunities to Boise women for decades.

In the early 1980s, the YWCA began transforming into the organization that we have today. During this time, the Women's and Children's Crisis Center was established to address the growing concerns surrounding family violence. In 1996, we officially became the Women's and Children's Alliance and since that time have helped thousands of women, men and children find safety, emotional healing and freedom from domestic and sexual abuse.



we provide

...safety to domestic violence and sexual assault victims through our two 24-hour crisis hotlines, our domestic violence shelter, safety planning assistance and court advocacy.

...healing through counseling services, support groups and client advocacy.

...freedom through case management and classes in financial literacy, nurturing parenting and life skills.

The WCA provides intensive and crucial assistance for survivors to regain and rebuild their lives. All of our services are provided at no cost to our clients, thanks to the generosity of our supporters.

- Volunteer
- Attend a Tour
- Become an Ambassador
- Contribute
- Become a Corporate Sponsor
- Make a planned gift to the WCA Endowment Fund

To donate or learn more about ways to get involved, contact us:

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