



**CELEBRATING 45 YEARS  
EMPOWERING SURVIVORS  
OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

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# WHO WE ARE

OUR MISSION IS TO SHELTER AND HELP EMPOWER SURVIVORS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TO BECOME SAFE, SECURE, AND SELF-RELIANT, AND TO MOBILIZE OUR COMMUNITY THROUGH EDUCATION AND COLLABORATION TO PREVENT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.



## 2022 CLIENT SERVICES

- 844 CRISIS CALLS ANSWERED
- 385 CLIENTS SERVED
- 3580 RESIDENT NIGHTS OF STAY
- 116 COMMUNITY EDUCATION PRESENTATIONS
- 6875 ADVOCACY SERVICES PROVIDED

## SERVICES OFFERED

24-HOUR CRISIS LINE, SAFE SHELTER, SAFETY PLANNING, VICTIM ADVOCACY, COUNSELING REFERRALS, HOUSING ADVOCACY, EMPLOYMENT ADVOCACY, LEGAL ADVOCACY, LANGUAGE INTERPRETATION SERVICES, AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION PRESENTATIONS.



### **SOME ADDITIONAL DATA**

- In the past ten years, A Woman's Place staff members have answered 7,751 crisis phone calls.
- During 2022, AWP provided safe shelter and advocacy for 385 individuals.
- AWP gave 116 presentations on domestic violence and teen dating violence in Weld County in 2022.
- 60 percent of the advocates at AWP are bilingual. We provided services to survivors in 9 languages.
- AWP is an inclusive organization and does not discriminate based on gender, culture, race, sexual identity, or religious beliefs.

### **A QUOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR**

“As the only domestic violence shelter in Weld County, A Woman's Place is a critical lifeline for our community. Over the past ten years, the number of crisis phone calls we receive each year has more than doubled. We are grateful for the continued support of so many local business partners and families who have supported A Woman’s Place over the past 45 years. Your support is essential and greatly appreciated. It is because of the continued support from our community that A Woman’s Place is able to continue helping survivors rebuild their lives free from violence.”

--Diane Heldt, Executive Director

### **Hearing the stories from our clients is a reminder of how vital this work is.**

“Even though my situation is complicated, A Woman's Place has given my kids and me a safe place to sleep and I will forever be grateful for all the wonderful staff. Thank you for keeping us safe. Thank you for the school backpacks for my kids. Thank you for the help and for the counseling. Thank you for the inspiration and hope. You have saved our lives.” -Quote from client 2022



## OUR HISTORY



In 1977, A Woman's Place opened up a crisis line for victims/survivors of domestic violence. Then in 1981, the leaders of AWP then opened a safehouse where survivors of domestic violence could stay for safe shelter and support. This was a huge task made possible because of the help from the Greeley Urban Renewal Authority (GURA) and many local businesses and families. A house was donated to the agency, but in order to physically move the house many power lines and traffic signals had to be taken down and adjusted for the house to make it down the streets to its final location. Opening the safehouse was a huge undertaking!

Once completed, A Woman's Place was able to help more survivors of domestic violence with safe shelter, support, and resources. Thanks to generous donations from GURA, in 2013 the shelter received needed renovations updating the client kitchen and other living areas.

Forty five years later, the safehouse continues to provide safe shelter to survivors of domestic violence. The work of A Woman's Place continues to be made possible through the generous support of many local businesses and families. A Woman's Place continues to be a critical Weld County lifeline believing that "Everyone deserves to live a life that is free from violence."



# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE



## WHAT IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE?

Domestic violence or "intimate partner violence" can be described as a pattern of behavior in any relationship to gain and maintain control over a partner. The forms of abuse vary from physical, emotional, sexual, and economic. Abuse also involves threats, manipulation, isolation, and humiliation. Domestic violence does not discriminate and can happen to anyone of any race, gender, sexual orientation or age.

## STATISTICS FROM THE NATIONAL COALITION AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

- In the United States, on average, nearly 20 people per minute are physically abused by an intimate partner (10 million women and men annually).
- 1 in 4 women and 1 in 7 men have been victims of severe physical violence (e.g. beating, burning, strangling) by an intimate partner in their lifetime.
- On a typical day, there are more than 20,000 phone calls placed to domestic violence hotlines nationwide.
- Physical, mental, and sexual and reproductive health effects have been linked with intimate partner violence including unintended pregnancy, miscarriage, stillbirth, intrauterine hemorrhage, nutritional deficiency, abdominal pain, gastrointestinal problems, neurological disorders, chronic pain, disability, anxiety and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), hypertension, cancer and cardiovascular disease.

**ANNUAL**



**EVENTS**



**Cornhole Tournament Fundraiser  
June-July**



**Breeze Thru Carwash Fundraiser  
August-September**



**Friends of A Woman's Place  
Annual Gala  
October**



**Holiday House  
December**



# Community Supporters

We appreciate all of the support we receive from the community throughout the year. Here are just a few of our wonderful sponsors!







# Community Education Presentations

A Woman's Place provides customized education and professional training presentations to adult and youth groups (ages 11 and older) who are interested in learning more about our services, domestic violence, teen dating violence, LGBTQ+, effects on children, and more. We currently offer the "domestic violence 101" presentation in Spanish.



## Presentation Reviews

"Having advocates from A Woman's Place and the Weld Country community is a great way to support all members of the school community; victims, survivors, advocates, students, teachers, etc... Having the Teen Violence presentation in our schools is a critical component of raising awareness and decreasing the startling facts surrounding teen dating violence."



# Contact Us



A Woman's Place provides a variety of services  
such as:

24 Hour Crisis Line

Safe Shelter

Safety Planning

Victim Advocacy

Counseling Referrals

Legal Advocacy

Language Interpretation Services Community

Education Presentations

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