

Barbara Saville Shelter

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Brief History

- ▶ Barbara Saville is the namesake for our shelter.
- ▶ She was a remarkable KCAO employee that had a vision to support women in crisis
- ▶ Initially a Rape Crisis Counselor
- ▶ Wrote a grant that allowed KCAO to open the DV Shelter in 1984 and serve women that were victims of domestic violence
- ▶ She believed in equal opportunity, human rights, environmental issues, and had a love for family and friends
- ▶ Barbara passed away in 1998 and it was fitting that the shelter be named the Barbara Saville Women's Shelter
- ▶ Renamed the Barbara Saville Shelter after legislation was passed that required DV shelters to serve male victims. Since Barbara loved all people, it is assumed that she would have approved the change

What is Domestic Violence/ Intimate Partner Violence

- ▶ Willful intimidation, physical assault, battery, sexual assault, and/or other abusive behavior as part of a systematic pattern of **power and control** perpetrated by one intimate partner against another.
- ▶ It includes physical violence, sexual violence, threats, and emotional abuse.
- ▶ Affects all genders and ages across all socioeconomic and cultural backgrounds.
- ▶ Nobody is immune from the possibility of being abused.

California Statistics

- ▶ 34.9 % of California women and 31.1% of California men experience intimate partner physical violence, intimate partner sexual violence and/or intimate partner stalking in their lifetimes.
- ▶ In a single day in 2019, 81% of California domestic violence shelters served 5,644 adults and children. 1,236 requests for services went unmet due to lack of resources.
- ▶ In 2018, there were 166,890 domestic violence-related calls to law enforcement; many other incidents went unreported. 46% of reported incidents involved weapons.

Barbara Saville Statistics

- ▶ Since 2015 we have served 431 men, women and children at the Barbara Saville Shelter
- ▶ 235 children
- ▶ 192 women
- ▶ 2 males
- ▶ 2 gender neutral individuals
- ▶ 416 restraining orders
- ▶ 437 professional counseling sessions

Services

- ▶ Safe shelter with 38 beds (adult, toddler, crib)
- ▶ Meals and snacks
- ▶ Case management (adult and child)
- ▶ Therapy
- ▶ Assistance with Temporary Restraining Orders
- ▶ Court accompaniment
- ▶ Emergency clothing
- ▶ Transportation
- ▶ Job skills training (resume, dress, applications)
- ▶ Housing assistance
- ▶ Relocation
- ▶ Outreach



Questions?