

ARE YOU ABUSED?

1. Are you blamed whenever things go wrong?
2. Are you limited to doing only what your partner wants?
3. Is your partner a “nasty” drunk or drug user?
4. Are you forbidden to use money for yourself or your children?
5. Is your partner jealous of outside friendships?
6. Does he/she have a “Jekyll & Hyde” personality?
7. Do you make excuses for your partner’s behavior?
8. Do you do more of the work – paid or unpaid?
9. Are you forced to have sex after you’ve said “no”?
10. Do you need your partner’s permission to do things?
11. Are you punished for misbehaving?
12. Was your partner or his/her mother abused?
13. Does your partner humiliate you in public?
14. Do you live in fear of your loved ones?
15. Is there a scene if you disagree with your partner?

IF YOU ANSWERED YES TO:

- 1-2: Take notice and work together to improve troubled areas.
- 3-4: Seriously look at your relationship; seek help from a qualified counselor.
- 5-6: ABUSE Issue; counseling may not be appropriate until FEAR ceases.
- 7-15: CRISIS INTERVENTION NEEDED. Seek individual counseling – JOINT THERAPY NOT APPROPRIATE!

What Can You Do?

Individual contributions fill the gaps between our funding and our needs. Please consider a contribution so that we may continue our level of service to our community.

____ I would like to make a tax deductible donation to Safe Harbour.

Encloses is _____

____ I would like to volunteer.

____ I would like more information about Safe Harbour.

Name _____

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Safe Harbour will provide each person with alternatives to family violence in an atmosphere of safety, encouragement, and support. Safe Harbour will be recognized as a community resource for individuals seeking relief from domestic violence by providing shelter, counseling, advocacy, support groups, and community awareness education.

Safe Harbour will evaluate the physical and emotional needs of its clients, and through collaborative relationships will develop a comprehensive network of services to address those needs with respect, confidentiality, and professionalism.

CONFIDENTIALITY

TRUST

HONESTY

SAFE HARBOUR PROVIDES

- **24 HOUR HOTLINE**
- **SHELTER**
A safe and confidential place to go for victims and their children.
- **COUNSELING**
Short term crisis intervention counseling, education and case management.
- **OUTREACH COUNSELING**
For non-residential victims, at an off-site location.
- **SUPPORT GROUPS**
For victims who have been or are now in abusive relationships looking to make changes in their lives.
- **INFORMATION AND REFERRAL**
Assistance in obtaining other community services.
- **COMMUNITY EDUCATION**
A Speakers Bureau offers professional training for medical personnel, public and private agencies and other interested organizations.
- **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**
For those interested in helping us provide services to victims of domestic violence.
- **FIRST RESPONSE**
Cooperating with local law enforcement agencies, Safe Harbour contacts the victim by phone or in person, at the time of the incident.
- **LEGAL ADVOCACY**
Personal support for victims of domestic violence in criminal and civil court.

IF YOU ARE A VICTIM OF ABUSE, YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO FILE PETITIONS WITH THE COURT.

A Temporary Protection Order:

If you are a victim of domestic violence and a charge of domestic violence is filed, you have the right to go to court and file a petition requesting an order for a *Temporary Protection Order* which could include the following:

- An order restraining the abuser from further acts of abuse.
- An order directing the abuser to leave your household.
- An order preventing the abuser from entering your residence, school, business or place of employment.

A Civil Protection Order is filed in Domestic Relations Court:

If you are a victim of domestic violence, whether or not a charge is filed, you have the right to go to the Domestic Relations Court and file a petition requesting a *Civil Protection Order* which could include the following:

- An order restraining the abuser from further acts of abuse.
- An order directing the abuser to leave your household.
- An order preventing the abuser from entering your residence, school, business or place of employment.
- An order awarding you or the other parent temporary custody of or temporary visitation with your child or children.
- An order directing the abuser to pay support to you and the minor children if the abuser has a legal obligation to do so.