What is Domestic Abuse?

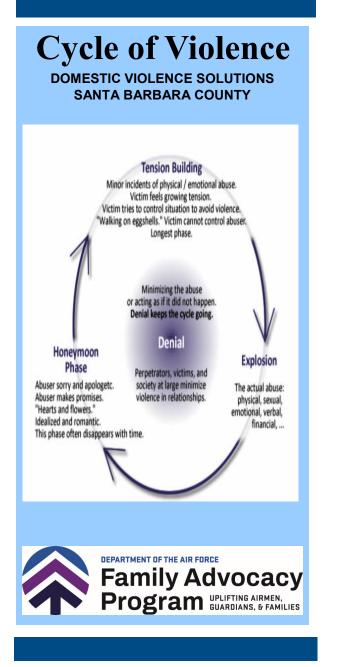
Domestic violence, or intimate partner violence, occurs when one person causes physical or psychological harm to a current or former intimate partner. It includes all acts of violence within the context of family or intimate relationships.

Domestic Violence is an issue of increasing concern because of its negative effect on all family members, especially children.

Abuse <u>can happen to a woman—or man</u> of any race, ethnicity, age, income, religion or sexual orientation. If you're being abused or are worried about someone you know, there's help.

Abuse is about *POWER AND CONTROL*. It's not part of a loving relationship.

Everyone has the right to feel safe within his/her home and relationship



88th Air Base Wing Wright-Patterson AFB

Family Advocacy Program

DOMESTIC ABUSE VICTIM ADVOCATE (DAVA) 937-265-0022



DAVA Program Overview

- \Rightarrow Provide support to victims of domestic abuse, sexual violence and stalking.
- \Rightarrow Provide 24 hour/7 days a week response capability.

(DAVA crisis line: 937-265-0022)

- \Rightarrow Establish and maintain current and effective safety plans.
- \Rightarrow Advise victims of the impact of domestic violence (DV) on children
- \Rightarrow Offers victims information regarding their identified needs.
- ⇒ Offers follow-up DAVA services to each victim to advocate for the safety needs of self and children. Refer to counseling and support groups
- ⇒ Offer educational group, "Transcend", for DV awareness/community strength
- \Rightarrow Accompany the victim to appointments or court proceedings when requested by the victim.
- ⇒ Support development of coordinated community response to domestic abuse.
- \Rightarrow Establish liaisons and partner with civilian domestic resources.
- ⇒ Provide Legal Resource: Divorce, Custody, Civilian Protective Orders

Reporting Options for Victims

- RESTRICTED: Allows a victim to disclose the details of abuse to victim advocate, healthcare providers and Family Advocacy Program staff. Allows victim to receive medical treatment and victim advocacy services without notifying commanders or law enforcement.
- UNRESTRICTED: Victims who want to pursue an official investigation should use current reporting channels such as Chain of Command, Family Advocacy Program or Law Enforcement.
- When in doubt call Family Advocacy at 937-257-4608.
- Unrestricted reporting applies to all minors 17 years and under.
- With the exception of mandatory State, Federal and Military reporting requirements, the DAVA provides a private and confidential service to encourage *victims in seeking assistance.*



Resources

MILITARY RESOURCES:

Legal Office	937-257-6142
Family Practice	937-522-2778
Family Advocacy	937-257-4608
Mental Health	937-257-6877
Chaplain	937-257-7427
Security Forces	937-257-9111/0230

Air Force Office of Special Investigations (AFOSI) 937-257-4553

Airmen and Family Readiness Center (AFRC) 937-257-3592

Sexual Assault and Response Coordinator (SARC) 937-257-7272

Equal Opportunity

937-257-2789

COMMUNITY RESOURCES:

OFF-BASE SUPPORT CIVILIAN PROTECTIVE ORDER (SEE DAVA)	
Artemis Center	937-461-4357
Family Violence Prevention Center	937-372-4552
YWCA Dayton Shelter and Housing	937-222-7233
Ohio Domestic Violence Network	800-934-9840
National Domestic Violence Hotline	800-799-7233

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