

# A look at the facts...

## Domestic Violence:

- One in every four women will experience domestic violence in her lifetime.
- A child's exposure to the father abusing the mother is the strongest risk factor for transmitting violent behavior from one generation to the next.
- Domestic violence offenses include verbal assaults, physical battery, economic abuse and sexual violence.

(all statistics from National Coalition Against Domestic Violence)

## Sexual Violence:

- 1 in 4 girls and 1 in 6 boys are victimized by sexual violence before they reach age 18.
- It is estimated that an incident of sexual violence happens every 2.5 minutes in the United States but more than half of all assaults are unreported.
- Sexually abusive behaviors range from sexual harassment and inappropriate touch to incest, molestation and rape.

(all statistics from Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape.)

**Remember...violence is never the victim's fault. Free, confidential help is available.**

## ABOUT WIN

Founded in 1977, Women In Need, a private, non-profit agency, was organized to provide services to victims of rape. One year later, the agency expanded to provide services to victims of domestic violence. In 1979, WIN's first shelter for battered women and their children opened. WIN has been serving victims of all serious crimes in Franklin and Fulton counties, including rape and domestic violence, since 1985.

WIN's services are provided by paid staff members and many trained and dedicated volunteers. A volunteer board of directors oversees the work of the agency.

If you have any questions about WIN's services, or would like to help:



**WOMEN IN NEED**  
ADVOCATING FOR PEACE AT HOME  
THROUGH JUSTICE AND EDUCATION

### Chambersburg Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Office Phone: (717) 264-3056

### McConnellsburg Office Hours

Monday - Friday by appointment

(717) 485-5840

### 24 HOUR HOTLINES

717) 264-4444

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### 24 HOURS TOLL FREE

1-800-621-6660

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## Women In Need

*Making a difference in the  
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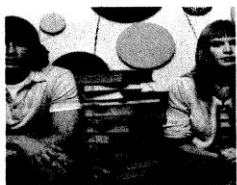
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## Services

Women In Need (WIN) works to provide safety and options to victims of violence. Victims of domestic and sexual violence are offered options and information to help them make the decisions necessary when moving from victim to survivor.



WIN provides services to victims of violence: Men, women and children.

### 24 hour Hotline 800-621-6660

WIN's hotline is answered 24 hours a day by trained staff and volunteers. Victims of violence receive a listening ear, words of encouragement and options when they call. No matter the time of day, someone is available to listen and offer options.

### Counseling Advocacy

Whether seeking individual sessions or looking to interact with a group of survivors, victims are able to talk with a trained advocate to learn ways of furthering the healing process.

### Legal Advocacy

Legal advocates offer support and assistance to victims involved in the legal system. Navigating court hearings, helping with the paperwork for a Protection From Abuse Order and working with law enforcement are examples of how WIN can help victims.

### Safety

The shelter for battered women and children provides a safe haven for victims of violence. Although Women In Need's shelter provides only a short-term place to stay, those seeking shelter and support, comfort, and safety.

### S.A.R.T.

A team of trained nurses and advocates are ready to respond to victims of sexual violence 24 hours a day. This skilled team works to comfort a rape victim while collecting the forensic evidence that may help police arrest the victim's attacker.

No one should feel alone when facing violence. WIN is available 24 hours a day at 264.4444 or 800.621.6660.

## Education

WIN's education staff has programs appropriate for all ages from 3 to adult. All programs are free. Call our office or email [preventioned@winservices.org](mailto:preventioned@winservices.org).

## Volunteers

Volunteers are educated about the dynamics of violence and trained to respond to victims. Volunteers answer the hotline, provide advocacy, and speak in the community. Volunteers are always needed. Call our office or email [volunteer@winservices.org](mailto:volunteer@winservices.org)

How can you help someone you know who is living with violence? Listen, and most importantly, let them know that you believe them! Let them know that no one deserves to be abused and it's never too late to get help. Tell them to call us....WIN's trained advocates are available 24 hours a day, and all of our services are free and confidential.

