



Tips for Supporting the Economic Empowerment of Domestic Violence Survivors in Your Community

Anyone interested in supporting domestic violence survivors in their state and community should collaborate directly with state and local domestic violence programs. To locate a domestic violence program in your area, visit: www.nnedv.org and click on the NNEDV State Coalitions Members link. This will provide you with a listing of domestic violence coalitions in each state. You can also call the National Domestic Violence Hotline 800-799-SAFE to get connected with a domestic violence program in your community.

Connecting with your statewide domestic violence coalition can provide you with many options for helping to economically empower domestic violence survivors:

1. Donate business suits for domestic violence survivors who are interviewing or beginning new jobs.
2. Volunteer to teach financial education, job training or career development classes to domestic violence survivors at your local shelter.
3. Participate in community organizing activities with your local domestic violence program around the issues of affordable housing, child care, and livable wages.
4. Work with your local domestic violence program to create job training and employment opportunities, including micro-enterprise and self-employment programs, for survivors.
5. Make a donation to your domestic violence coalition's asset creation programs for domestic violence survivors such as individual development account programs.
6. Support your domestic violence coalition in helping women pursue higher education by contributing to a scholarship fund for domestic violence survivors.
7. Contribute to an emergency assistance fund development for domestic violence survivors.