

**Eastern Shore
Coalition Against
Domestic Violence
(ESCADV)**

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**We provide the following
services to Accomack
and Northampton
Counties:**

- 24-Hour Hotline
- Emergency Shelter
- Individual Counseling
- Safety Planning
- Crisis Intervention
- Support Groups
- Legal Advocacy
- Referrals
- Case Management
- Children's Advocacy
- Community Outreach

**We serve men, women and
children.**

**Our services are FREE
and CONFIDENTIAL.**

**Shelter stay is not required
to access ESCADV
services.**

EASTERN SHORE COALITION AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Business Hours

Business hours will remain at **Monday-Friday from 8:30am-4:30pm**, our 24-hour hotline will run as usual for Domestic Violence and/or Sexual Assault emergencies. We are still accepting donations at this time.

24-HOUR HOTLINE (757)-787-1329



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THE ADVOCATE

Fall 2020

Shining the light against Domestic & Sexual Violence

From the Director's Desk:

As we move into fall, all of us here at ESCADV are still adjusting to our "new normal" while preparing for a holiday season that is going to look different than any previous season. Look for more information on our upcoming holiday drive to provide Christmas to survivors and the children impacted by violence.

As part of our accommodations due to the pandemic, ESCADV continues to house survivors that need shelter in separate quarters for each household. This allows survivors the opportunity to be safe from violence without increasing their risks of COVID-19. This is increasing ESCADV's housing costs significantly. With your help, we hope to continue to be able to provide shelter in a way that is safe for all survivors.

I would be remiss if I did not give a

huge thanks to ESCADV staff, board and volunteers. Each of these dedicated individuals has continued to support ESCADV throughout 2020 and the pandemic, pivoting where pivots were necessary and insuring services for survivors never stopped. Thank you!



As we continue to flex and adapt to the changes that seem to keep coming, community support will remain important to ESCADV providing critical services to the shore. Your time, in-kind donations, and financial donations help us help others. Thank you!

~Shelley Strain

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Special Delivery

News from the ESCADV desk to you!



In memory of

All those who we have lost

ESCADV wants to take the time to remember and honor the memory of all of our supporters, survivors, and victims who have lost someone due to domestic violence and/or sexual assault.



- Cleaning Products (brooms, detergent, mops, etc.)
- Diapers
- Full-size Personal Hygiene Products (conditioner, shampoo, deodorant, body wash, etc.)
- Pots & Pans
- Bath towels

Your greatness is not what you have:

It is what you give!

How could **you** help ESCADV and survivors of domestic and sexual violence on the Eastern Shore?

Give your time and talents —

Volunteer with us! We offer a wide variety of short and long-term opportunities to get involved. We have a fun, flexible, and rewarding work environment where you can put your energy and interests to work helping others. Contact Jon Bulin at Jbulin@escadv.org to learn more.

Donate items —

We always need paper products, cleaning supplies, and nonperishable food items. Contact Maria Alfonso at malfonso@escadv.org to learn more.

The Cost of Covid-19

Comparing the first quarter of fiscal year 2020 to the first quarter of fiscal year 2021, it is well known that most purchased goods have increased in price, but did you know that:

- The cost of sheltering domestic and sexual violence survivors have increased by 75%
- ESCADV has seen a 20% increase in shelter utilization
- ESCADV has experienced a 30% increase in domestic violence and sexual assault hotline calls

Word of the Season

INTERSECTIONALITY
[IN-TER-SEK-SHUH-NAL-I-TEE]
NOUN

The complex way that in which multiple discriminatory factors (i.e. Race, Economic Class, Gender, Orientation, etc.) combine and overlap or intersect, especially when talking about marginalized communities.

Domestic Violence: Breaking Down Financial Abuse

Fall 2020

Financial Abuse is a form of domestic violence in which the victim does not have control to acquire, use, and/or maintain their own finances. For example, an Abuser may:

- ◇ *Restrict, coerce, or steal the victims money*
- ◇ *Prevent the victim from maintaining a job, or interfere with the victim's career.*

◇ *Control assets such as bank accounts and give an "allowance"*

◇ *Withhold or threaten to withhold finances for complacency*

Help is available. If you are being financially abused, call ESCADV's hotline to speak with an advocate.
1(757)-787-1329

ESCADV Service Highlight

Providing support and empowerment for survivors of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault through discussing topics including: Emotions, Anger, Guilt, Grief, Fear, Endings and New Beginnings, Rights, Healthy Relationships, Self Esteem, Boundaries and more!

SURVIVOR SUPPORT GROUP

CONTACT US AT 1(757)-787-1959 FOR MORE INFORMATION

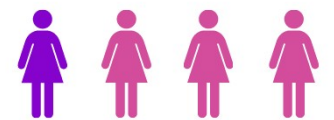
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1 in 4 women



1 in 7 men



#Love Shouldn't Hurt

