

WHY IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AN IMPORTANT ISSUE?

- Domestic violence occurs every 15 seconds in the U.S.
- 20% of all murders in the U.S. are committed within the family
- 13% of all murders in the U.S. are committed by spouses
- 21% of all women who need hospital emergency care are battered
- 4,000 American women are killed each year by their partners
- Battering is the single major cause of injury to women...more frequent than auto accidents, muggings, and rapes combined

AREA VIOLENCE PROJECTS

DVA/SAC

Poweshiek County
Marshalltown, Iowa
1-800-779-3512

Family Crisis Center

Wapello, Appanoose, Wayne, Monroe, Jefferson, Keokuk, Davis Counties
Ottumwa, Iowa
1-641-683-3122

Crisis Intervention Services

Marion, Mahaska, Lucas, Keokuk Counties
Oskaloosa, Iowa
1-800-270-1620

YWCA Battered Women's Shelter

Des Moines, Louisa, Henry Counties
Burlington, Iowa
1-319-752-0606

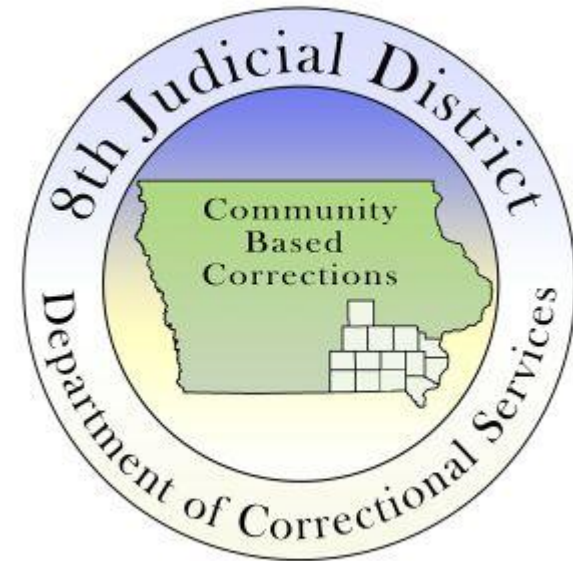
Tri-State Coalition against Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault

North & South Lee, Van Buren Counties
1-800-498-5095

In an effort to keep victims safe, the Batterer's Education Program works with area domestic violence projects in contacting survivors and offering services. In working together, the system can give the message that at each point in the batterer's experience domestic violence will not be tolerated.

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL VICTIM/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROJECTS

Batterer's Education Program



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Batterers Education program (BEP)

What is BEP?

- ◆ The Batterer's Education Program (BEP) was developed in response to Chapter 708.2B of the Code of Iowa enacted in 1991 which mandated the program for domestic abuse offenders.
- ◆ BEP is an educational program designed to work with domestic abusers to teach how to stop using controlling/abusive behavior in relationships with their intimate partners. In an intimate relationship between adults, there is no justification for controlling or punishing behavior. Controlling/abusive behavior includes physical, emotional, and psychological abuse.
- ◆ Lecture, videos, discussion, and individual assignments are used to teach abusers to identify the types of controlling/abusive behaviors they have used in their relationships and to teach non-controlling, non-abusive relationship skills.
- ◆ BEP does not provide individual or couples counseling, or legal services. BEP does not advocate with the courts on behalf of the offender for any reason.

Who is a Batterer?

- ◆ Persons who enter BEP come from all walks of life, all races, all religious affiliations, and all income levels.
- ◆ BEP Groups are comprised mainly of men who are either court ordered, referred by their parole/probation officer, DHS or other area agencies. Additionally, persons may volunteer to enter the program as they realize their problem before the legal system is involved. Separate programming is provided for men and women.

What Happens in

- ◆ Full participation in the program requires:
An intake interview with BEP staff person
An orientation session of all group members
Weekly two-hour group sessions for 16 weeks. Daytime and evening groups are available.
Satisfactory completion of homework
Full payment of fees

What Does BEP Cost

- ◆ The regular fee for this program is \$340.00, which includes:
\$50 Intake/Orientation Fee for court ordered and \$100 for volunteers and those with pending charges

Moving On Program for Women - \$340.00 Court Ordered
\$160.00 DHS or Volunteer Referrals



24 Week BEP -For repeat offenders who previously completed
16 Week BEP - \$500.00

Offenders are responsible for program fees. If a contract is negotiated all fees must be paid in full on or before they can be completed.

HELP STOP DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

TO MAKE A REFERRAL, ARRANGE AN INTAKE INTERVIEW, OR FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, CONTACT THE FOLLOWING:

LOUISA/LEE/DES MOINES/JEFFERSON/KEOKUK/WASHINGTON/HENRY/WAPELLO/POWESKIEK/MAHASKA/APPANOOSE/DAVIS/MONROE/VANBUREN, COUNTIES

BEP Treatment Coordinator: Julie Trinkle

Dept. of Correctional Services
Peterson Building
214 N. 4th, Suite 2A
Burlington, IA 52601
(319) 753-5478 Ext. 111

Dept. of Correctional Services
Batterer's Education Program
1315 North Court
Ottumwa, IA 52501
(641) 682-8383 Ext. 19

It is important that the prospective client make this call personally if he/she is being referred to the BEP or MOP program.

EFFECTIVE MARCH 2011 (Groups May Change Due to Need)

ORIENTATIONS:

Ottumwa
Keokuk as scheduled
Burlington

GROUPS available in the following areas.....

Ottumwa
Fairfield
Burlington
Keokuk
Ft Madison
Centerville
Oskaloosa

We also have groups for people with special needs and those who speak Spanish.

Visit our website at: www.8thjdcbc.com