BLACKBURN CENTER

Blackburn Center provides services for people whose lives have been impacted by violence and crime, and actively advocates for the changes needed in our communities to end this violence. All services are provided at no cost, are confidential, can be anonymous, and are available to men women and children.

WHAT IS ELDER ABUSE?

Elder Abuse is an intentional act, or failure to act, by a caregiver or another person in a relationship involving an expectation of trust that causes or creates a risk of harm to an older adult. It is reported 1 in 10 people ages 60 or older will experience abuse; however, such abuse is often not reported and remains hidden.

BLACKBURN CENTER SERVICES

ABOUT US

- 24-Hour Hotline for Crisis Counseling and Referrals
- Counseling and Therapy
- Support Groups
- Emergency Shelter for Victims of Intimate Partner Violence
- Medical and Legal Advocacy
- Student Awareness Programs
- Community Education Programs
- In-Service Trainings

CONTACT US

24-HOUR HOTLINE

724.836.1122 OR

1.888.832.2272

Individuals Who Are Deaf and Hard of Hearing May Use VRS to Contact the Hotline.

ADMINISTRATIVE & COUNSELING OFFICE

724.837.9540

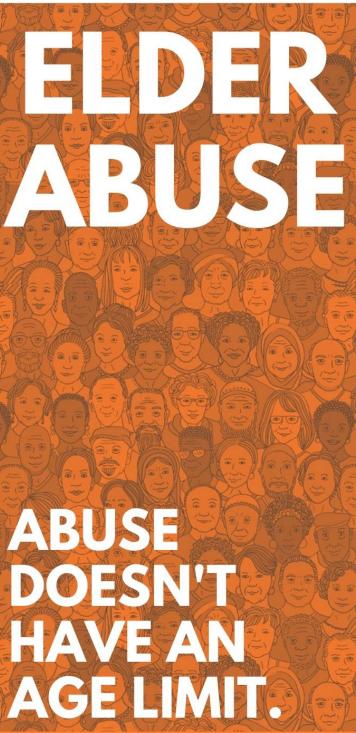
FAX: 724.837.3676

WEBSITE

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You have the power to make a difference.



To report suspected elder abuse, neglect, or exploitation in Pennsylvania: Elder Abuse Hotline: 1.800.490.8505

HOW CAN I RECOGNIZE ABUSE?

Abuse can often be hidden and people may be abused by someone they trust. Some signs of abuse can include:

- Physical injuries
- Unexplained withdrawal from normal activities
- Sudden changes in finances
- Bedsores, unattended medical needs
- Unusual weight loss
- Reports of being belittled, threatened, or harassed

OLDER ADULTS HAVE RIGHTS

All older adults have the right to:

- Be free from all forms of abuse
- Be treated with dignity and respect
- Be fully informed of changes in treatment and services
- Privacy and confidentiality of personal information
- The ability to voice thoughts or concerns without fear of punishment

WHAT CAN I DO TO PROVIDE SUPPORT?

- Sincerely listen
- Provide options and resources
- Offer support in contacting someone for assistance
- Validate their experience and support their decisions
- If possible, follow up

We are here for you.

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Call for Resources and Support

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Interested in learning more? We provide programs at no cost.

