

MEMBERSHIP

BOARD MEMBERSHIP

PROGRAM BOARD MEMBER \$250

A domestic violence program whose primary purpose is to serve battered women and children by providing core services to this population in at least five of the six core service areas.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBER \$125

An individual who has an interest in the field of domestic violence, has a demonstrated understanding and knowledge of domestic violence, and/or is a battered woman or formerly battered woman. Individual board members may not be a current employee, board member or volunteer of an organization which is represented on the Board.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION

BOARD MEMBER \$250

A program or organization whose primary purpose is to provide domestic violence resources, education and/or services for victims.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

ORGANIZATION MEMBER \$250

A program or organization whose primary purpose is to provide resources, education and/or services for victims of domestic violence.

INDIVIDUAL MEMBER \$125

An individual who has an interest in, and/or a demonstrated understanding and knowledge of, the field of domestic violence, and/or is a battered or formerly battered woman.

To become a member of the New Jersey Coalition for Battered Women, please call our office at 609-584-8107 or e-mail us at: info@njcbw.org to request an application.

The Coalition is interested in including every qualified organization that wants to be a member. If the price of dues is a concern, please ask about payment arrangements.

Members are expected to endorse the mission and principles of NJCBW, support quality services through cooperative, non-competitive means and network with others in the domestic violence field.

NJCBW MEMBER AGENCIES

ATLANTIC COUNTY
Atlantic County Women's
Services
609-646-6767
or 800-286-4184

BERGEN COUNTY
Alternatives to Domestic
Violence
201-336-7575
Shelter Our Sisters
201-944-9600

BURLINGTON COUNTY
Providence House/
Willingboro Shelter
609-871-7551

CAMDEN COUNTY
Camden County
Women's Center
856-227-1234

CAPE MAY COUNTY
Coalition Against
Rape & Abuse, Inc.
609-522-6489
or 877-294-2272

CUMBERLAND COUNTY
Cumberland County
Women's Center
856-691-3713
or 800-286-4353

ESSEX COUNTY
Family Violence Program
973-484-4446
The Rachel Coalition
of Jewish Family Services
973-740-1233
The Safe House
973-759-2154
Linda & Rudy Slucker
NCJW Center for Women
973-994-9474

GLOUCESTER COUNTY
Gloucester County
Domestic Violence Services
866-423-8723

HUDSON COUNTY
Womenrising, Inc.
201-333-5700

HUNTERDON COUNTY
Women's Crisis Services
908-788-4044
or 888-988-4033

MERCER COUNTY
Womanspace, Inc.
609-394-9000

MIDDLESEX COUNTY
Women Aware, Inc.
732-249-4504
Manavi
732-435-1414

MONMOUTH COUNTY
180 turning lives around
732-264-4111
or 888-843-9262

MORRIS COUNTY
Jersey Battered Women's
Service, Inc.
973-267-4763

OCEAN COUNTY
Providence House - Ocean
732-244-8259
or 800-246-8910

PASSAIC COUNTY
Passaic County
Women's Center
973-881-1450
Rachel Coalition Project Sarah
973-777-7638
Strengthen Our sisters
973-616-5399

SALEM COUNTY
Salem County Women's
Services
856-935-6655
or 888-632-9511

SOMERSET COUNTY
Resource Center for
Women & Their Families
908-685-1122

SUSSEX COUNTY
Domestic Abuse Services, Inc.
973-875-1211

UNION COUNTY
Project: Protect
908-355-4357

WARREN COUNTY
Domestic Abuse
& Rape Crisis Center
908-475-8408
or 813-908-8820

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New Jersey Coalition for Battered Women

*...ending violence
in the lives of women*

OUR MISSION

The New Jersey Coalition for Battered Women (NJCBW) is a statewide coalition of domestic violence service programs and concerned individuals whose purpose and mission is to end violence in the lives of women. Recognizing that violence against women in its various forms is a fundamental element in the oppression of women, the NJCBW focuses on elimination of battering of women in New Jersey.

NJCBW offers the following:

ADVOCACY

Collaboration with state agencies
Representation on state committees
Policies affecting victims and their children
Legal Advocacy • Appeals Project

NJCBW DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

EDUCATION & TRAINING INSTITUTE

Training for domestic violence program staff
Workshops and conferences
Community education programs
Print, audio and video library
Statewide domestic violence statistics
Special issue brochures and handouts
Multi-lingual brochures • Website

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

To domestic violence programs
To national, state and local agencies
Legal assistance by phone

DIVERSITY OUTREACH PROJECT

Outreach, advocacy and education to multicultural communities and women with disabilities
Assistance to programs regarding diversity issues

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

SPECIALIST CERTIFICATION

Provision of DVS Certification
CEC and Trainer Approval for DVS

SUMMARY OF THE NEW JERSEY COALITION FOR BATTERED WOMEN'S GUIDING PRINCIPLES

BATTERER ACCOUNTABILITY

The NJCBW believes in the right of every human being to live free of violence and maltreatment, and that no individual has the right to exert coercive power and control over another. We believe individuals must be held accountable for their behavior toward others, therefore, the responsibility for violence in a relationship lies solely with the perpetrator.

CHILDREN

The NJCBW recognizes that children can be impacted by domestic violence as secondary victims and are often themselves subjected to physical or sexual abuse within the family. The Coalition believes that children are entitled to live free from abuse and have services available to them. The Coalition also recognizes that victims of domestic violence are required to make extremely difficult safety choices for themselves and their children within a maze of safety risks generated by the batterer and often by life circumstances.

COORDINATED COMMUNITY RESPONSE

The NJCBW believes that changing societal attitudes and responses to domestic violence cannot be accomplished in isolation and that an integrated and coordinated community response is critical. With a coordinated community effort, we will be better able to achieve an effective prevention and service delivery system for all victims of domestic violence.

EMPOWERMENT

The NJCBW recognizes that power is taken from women both by individual abusers and by the larger patriarchal society. We further recognize that it is our responsibility to assist battered women to regain that power. As individual service providers, we must help victims make and implement their own decisions.

EQUALITY

The NJCBW believes in the right of self-determination, safety, and justice for ALL women. We recognize that every woman deserves to have her voice similarly heard. We know that society has traditionally devalued some populations and, therefore, their voices have not been heard. The NJCBW believes in the inclusion and active support of women regardless of race, creed, age, sexual orientation, ethnic origin, physical capability, mental illness, educational level, or socioeconomic status.

QUALITY SERVICES

The NJCBW believes that the provision of services to battered women and their children is one critical avenue for addressing the problem of domestic violence. We believe that victims of domestic violence are entitled to the highest quality services possible and that these services should be characterized by the facilitation of the empowerment of women. The Coalition also believes that

we are accountable to the women we serve. We must listen to them and use their feedback and input to guide our programs.

SPECIAL NEEDS

The NJCBW recognizes that domestic violence has devastating effects on all victims but that some victims face additional, unique barriers to safety. Examples of these populations include, but are not limited to elderly women, women of color, lesbians, women with physical and/or mental disabilities, women who are immigrants and women living in poverty. The Coalition believes the special needs of these populations should be considered in the development, outreach, and delivery of victim services.

WOMEN'S USE OF FORCE

To understand women's use of force it is essential to consider both the context in which such acts occur and the differences between men's and women's use of force. Men's use of force occurs within the broader social context of male entitlement and the devaluation of women. Women's use of force is primarily self-defense or in reaction to abuse, and is not part of a history of coercive control. Only a small minority of the women who use force do so to control and intimidate, and such acts are not supported or reinforced within the broader societal context.