



ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

Our Economic Empowerment program is designed to help survivors build financial capability as they work through their own experience with economic abuse; be it creating a budget, tackling credit repair, developing savings or exploring investing. The program offers financial literacy to build independence through our LIFE classes, works to connect survivors with resources and education to sustain affordable and safe housing by providing case management, advocacy, and rapid rehousing financial assistance. The program is open to any survivor of domestic violence within our service area-Alachua, Bradford, and Union Counties.

RELOCATION ASSISTANCE

Peaceful Paths has certified advocates who can apply for Victim's Compensation Assistance through the Office of the Attorney General. Relocation assistance is available for survivors of domestic violence who meet guidelines as a survivor of a DV crime and who are in need of relocating to a safe place. Eligibility requirements do apply, so please contact our helpline or Outreach office for more information.

OUR PROGRAMS

Peaceful Paths Domestic Abuse Network, Inc. is the state certified domestic violence center that serves Alachua, Bradford, and Union Counties. Our agency provides free and confidential services to adult and child victims of abuse who are seeking safety, support, and a path to self-sufficiency.

Outreach Center & Administrative Office

2100 NW 53rd Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32653

Phone: 352.377.5690 Text 352.316.9958

Office Hours: Monday thru Friday, 9am - 5pm.

*Support Group and Intake times vary, please call for schedule

Legal Services

Monday - Friday, 9am - 5pm at the Outreach Office. Call 352.317.2348 or 352.377.5690 #536 for an appointment.

Bradford County Satellite Office

403 Georgia Street Starke, FL 32091

*Limited hours, please call 352.318.4852 for an appointment.

Union County Satellite Office

410 West Main Street Lake Butler, FL 32054

Located inside the Townsend Green Building
*Limited hours, please call 352.318.4852 for an appointment.

Donate, volunteer, support!

Please call our Outreach Office to schedule a donation drop-off.

Internships and group service days are available.

Visit www.peacefulpaths.org for more information.

Peaceful Paths is committed to an anti-discrimination policy in all of its programs and services. We are consciously inclusive of all areas of diversity including but not limited to race, ethnicity, color, national origin, ancestry, gender identity, sexuality, religion, age, socioeconomic status, marital status, language, disability, or immigration status. This publication is available in alternate formats upon request.



Peaceful Paths™
DOMESTIC ABUSE NETWORK

Agency Programs

“We exist to save lives and create change”



24 HOUR HELPLINE

Our dedicated Helpline advocates are trained to assess crisis situations, provide safety planning, complete shelter screenings, provide information and referrals, and identify community resources for callers with great care and without judgment. Peaceful Paths operates this local helpline 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Contact the Helpline at 352.377.8255 or 800.500.1119 Text us at 352.727.0948

EMERGENCY RESIDENTIAL CAMPUS

We provide secure, temporary shelter and supportive housing for adult and child survivors of domestic violence living in Alachua, Bradford and Union counties. Our campus is staffed by certified trained advocates who provide safety planning, emotional support, crisis counseling, information referrals and basic necessities to residents throughout their residential stay. A pet room and outdoor space for pet family-members, is available on campus. Residents have direct access to Outreach Programs, including the Child and Youth Program and Legal Services.



ADULT SUPPORT GROUP

Peaceful Paths adult support groups meet at various times throughout the week in Gainesville and Starke. All adult groups have separate child and youth programming available as well.

Our support groups are safe, supportive, confidential group counseling spaces where survivors can receive educational information from trained domestic violence advocates, and share their own experiences, if desired, as part of their personal empowerment journey. Some examples of topics discussed in these groups include:

- Boundaries
- Warning Signs in a Relationship
- Healthy Relationship skills
- My Relationship Rights
- Safety Planning

An initial intake must be completed prior to attending. Call for more info and to sign up for the group that best fits your schedule.

TRAUMA COUNSELING

Peaceful Paths offers free trauma counseling to adult and children impacted by domestic violence. Individual sessions are offered at flexible times throughout the tri-county area with a variety of contracted therapists. Trauma counseling addresses both the short-term crisis and long-term impact that abuse creates.

LEGAL ADVOCACY

Peaceful Paths has a legal team available to provide free assistance to clients who reside in Alachua, Bradford, or Union Counties. The attorneys provide assistance with injunctions for protection against domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. The attorneys draft the paperwork, explain the court process, represent the client in court, give legal advice, and make legal referrals. Call the Legal Assistant at 352.377.5690 #536 to schedule an appointment.

EDUCATION & YOUTH PROGRAMS

Our Education and Youth Program offers services to all children and teens coming with their parent and may have witnessed domestic violence. Children's groups and childcare run concurrently with adult support group programming. These support groups are a fun, safe, and supportive environment for those who participate. Topics covered in groups include:

- Safety
- Healthy Relationships & Friendships
- Expressing Emotions and Anger

Additionally, we provide support for teens experiencing dating violence, including individual counseling and school-based education. Prevention programs for healthy relationship education are offered throughout school and youth based programs in the tri-county region.

To schedule Violence Prevention Education for your community or school group, contact our Outreach Office.



You each have given me courage, kindness, advice, compassion, and strength. I am truly grateful for everything you have unconditionally given me: food, safety, shelter...

-Former Emergency Shelter Resident