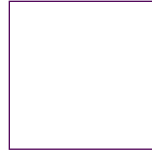


Our Mission

The Eva foundation helps victims of abuse regain their self confidence and independence to build a better life. The foundation provides esteem-building necessities to help recovering victims secure an abuse-free future for themselves and their loved ones.



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How to Get Involved

- You can support those you know or suspect to be victims of violence or sexual assault.
- You can support legislation that calls for tougher penalties for domestic violence and sexual assault.
- You can donate time to our organization as a volunteer for special events.
- You can donate services in the form of gift certificates. If you wish to donate services or goods, please email: info@evafoundationalaska.org
- You can donate financially to purchase services and goods that are needed but not donated.

Testimonial:

After so many years of abuse, I felt like I was an ugly shell of a person. I could barely look at myself in the mirror when the Eva Foundation stepped in and with their help, I had a renewed self worth. I found the real me that I thought I had lost forever.

—Maggie



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Why It Matters

Abuse affects families in all income brackets. Most victims are women who find themselves in the untenable position of choosing between a financially secure yet abusive relationship and freedom from abuse at the cost of loss of financial support from their abusive partner.

According to the statistics provided by the Anchorage Police Department, victims attempt to leave their abusers seven times on average before making a permanent separation.

We want to help break that cycle and make it easier for abuse victims to start independent lives by providing esteem building goods and services to help them find jobs, seek normal relationships or just reenter society.

The Eva Foundation board includes doctors, stylists, police officers, small business owners, and other local community members. They work to provide amenities to all victims of abuse, both male and female, in Alaska.

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Eva Kid's Program

Rebuilding a childhood after abuse

The Eva Kid's Program helps rebuild and give stability to the lives of children affected by abuse by providing basic necessities while they transition to a healthy lifestyle.



Eva Pet's Program

Assisting people and their pets after abuse

Many people will not leave their abuser while their beloved pets are at home. The Eva Pet's Program helps victims of abuse regain their self-confidence and independence to build a better life.



Eva Elder's Program

Preserving health and dignity after abuse

The Eva Elder's Program provides the elderly with basic assistance such as food, clothing, housewares, entertainment and transportation and ensures proper care is given to help preserve health, dignity and respect.

Eva's Story

Unbeknownst even to her closest friends, Eva was abused by her husband, suffering humiliations common to an abusive relationship among them, beatings and obsessive control. After 12 years of abuse, Eva found an opportunity to escape, so she and her children sought aid from one of the abuse shelters in Anchorage.

Not long after, Eva met up with her friend, Sharon Athas Coté. Sharon was surprised at Eva's appearance. Eva's husband had not allowed her to buy clothing for herself in several years. Her glasses had been broken from a punch in the face so Eva wore old frames with an outdated prescription. Eva had escaped a bad situation, but the effect of years of oppression and abuse were still apparent.

Eva had food and shelter from other Anchorage services, so Sharon decided to help with the amenities that Eva had been deprived of for so long. She began by calling in favors from friends.

Optometrist Robin Grendahl donated an exam and new glasses. Jerri Morrison, model and spokesperson for a line of Platex bras, provided undergarments. A stylist gave Eva a new haircut.

Carla Culbreth, a close friend of Sharon and Eva, was head of domestic abuse investigations for the Anchorage Police Department. When she heard about Sharon's efforts she pointed out that no foundation or agency provided the kinds of things Sharon had pulled together. The idea for the Eva Foundation was born.

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