

domestic violence hurts us all

Domestic violence affects health

Women who experience domestic violence are:



80% more likely to have a stroke.

70% more likely to develop heart disease.

60% more likely to suffer from asthma than women who have not experienced intimate abuse.

Source: California Women's Health Survey, 1997-2003, California Department of Public Health

Domestic violence deaths are on the rise



Increase in domestic violence homicides in California, from 2008 to 2011.

Source: Homicide in California 2011, CA Dept. of Justice

Domestic violence affects all Californians



40%

Percentage of women in California who will experience intimate violence or abuse in their lifetimes.

Source: MMWR, Feb. 2008, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Blue Shield of California Foundation aims to end domestic violence in California by focusing on:

Fostering Innovation

The innovative mobile app, *SafeNight*, helps domestic violence organizations locate a safe place for survivors to stay when there are no available shelter beds.

Cultivating Leadership

Since 2011, the Strong Field Project has worked to advance more than 40 domestic violence organizations statewide, and helped to train and empower the individuals leading these organizations on the front lines.

Building Capacity

The Foundation supports over 120 California domestic violence service providers annually, including the provision of core support funding to every shelter in the state.

About Blue Shield of California Foundation

The Foundation is committed to improving the lives of all Californians, particularly the underserved, by making health care accessible, effective, and affordable, and by ending domestic violence.



\$300 million

Since 2002, we have awarded over \$300 million through our Blue Shield Against Violence and Health Care and Coverage programs.



\$62.3 million

We are California's largest private funder of domestic violence services and prevention efforts, awarding \$62.3-million since 2002.



\$7.9 million

In 2013, we awarded \$7.9 million to domestic violence service providers, including 70 new organizations committed to ending domestic violence.