

Dream Bigger

Preventing Violence against Women & Children ... Rebuilding Lives

Make Christmas Dreams Come True

Starting over after abuse makes it difficult for women to provide for their kids, let alone provide Christmas Gifts



Dream Bigger gives
Gift Cards @ Christmas
to the women we serve

What a Self Esteem Boost for women working so hard to Rebuild Their Lives

You can help us help them provide for their kids' Christmas Gifts, Clothing & Groceries

We Need Donations for Costco & Fred Meyer Gift Cards!

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or mail to Dream Bigger 2221 G St, Bellingham, Wa 98225

A large percentage of our Homeless are women & children who've fled domestic violence

Abused Women muster immense courage to escape violent homes. What she discovers is that permanent Housing is well beyond her financial reach, she has nowhere to go. If she goes back home the abuse will be worse than before as punishment for leaving.

Women escaping violence are more likely to achieve lifelong success with an experienced hands-on Domestic Violence Coach beside them beginning to end. Dream Bigger is committed to being her lifeline: achieving Permanent Financial Self Sufficiency & Safety.

Unlike temporary housing provided by shelters, Dream Bigger's focus is on helping women pursue the education, careers & independence needed to become Self-Sustaining Financially Independent Community Members. Our Strategies focus on Long-Term Lasting Results. Dreams are achieved sooner with proper advocacy resulting in stable homes, healthy children & lasting financial security & safety.

My Friend says she's being Abused ... How Can I Help Her?

Does her husband keep track of her time? Discourage relationships with friends/family? Interfere with or discourage her about work or school? Criticize her or say Cruel things? Destroy her (or her kids) personal items? Does he Push, shove, throw, kick, hit, slap, scratch, choke or force intimacy? Does she spend her time trying to keep him from getting mad?



Listen. Ask how it makes her feel. It's a big step for her to trust you. Believe her - you could save her life. What she tells you might only be 5% of what happens in private. Abusers often appear as Mr. Wonderful in Public. Help her obtain a copy of "Why Does He Do That?" Ву Lundy Bancroft. Read it with her. Help her join a local Domestic in-person Violence Support Group for Women - offer to drive her there weekly.



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Dream Bigger's Legal Advocacy Program helps abused women avoid an impoverished life which often happens to abused women in divorce court

From gathering crucial documents, to preparing legal paperwork, our legal advocates work tireless sly hands-on with our clients to reduce attorney & paralegal hours to save our clients thousands in legal fees while ensuring a fair financial settlement, child support & Safety Protection Orders. Women are never left on their own to fill out forms, attend mtgs or court hearings, we're beside them all the way. Most often there are more documents than a Judge will ever have time to read so Dream Bigger Advocates diligently create Detailed Spreadsheets with dates, incidences & financial info to bring Swift Clarity for the Judge without missing important information he wouldn't have noticed had he been given multiple pages to sift through.



Dream Bigger children dodge a future of repeating abuse as a victim or perpetrator. Helping them secure a safe home where their mothers can provide for them sets the foundation for a New & Promising Future

Help Dream Bigger Celebrate 15 Years of Changing Lives

Obtaining financial support for Dream Bigger is crucial to reduce the time we're spending on small fundraisers & instead invest those hours in women's futures. Dream Bigger devotes many more months in each of our clients compared to agencies providing short-term shelters. Our client Numbers are humble so we lose-out to larger agencies for Grant Funding. However, our Client Hours are exponentially higher which leads to Long-Term Stability! Dream Bigger Clients go on to achieve college degrees, successful careers & secure financial independence

The number of Abused Women who need help is growing — we need your support to maintain & increase our advocacy hours. Please help us build new lives for women, expand our reach, increasing the number of families achieving self-sufficient futures. Gifts are Tax Deductible through IRS EIN # 26-3898006 & can be made through our website at: www.DreamBigger.info or mailed to: Dream Bigger, 2221 G St, Bellingham, Wa 98225

"Dear Dream Bigger, Words can't express how grateful we are for your blessing to us this Christmas! It's been a long time since I've filled up my car with Gas. Christmas was made so much easier as you provided for me to buy gifts for my kids that I otherwise couldn't do. Thankyou for your love & support as we begin our new life!

-With Gratefulness, K & Kids

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Intimidation is Also Abuse

Throwing cups across the room, punching walls, screaming in your face, Mimicking you, insulting you, Telling you they could do better, Telling you you are useless and good for nothing, Mocking you constantly in an effort to make you feel stupid, controlling the finances, isolating you and controlling who you socialize with......

These are all various examples of psychological abuse, and intimidation.

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