



Northwest Georgia Family Crisis Center, Inc.

The purpose of the NWGFCC is to end violence in the home by providing shelter, advocacy and support to victims while working in the community to change attitudes, beliefs, and behaviors. We have identified the following core values:

- *We value every survivor's right to make their own decisions.*
- *We value every child's right to live in a violence-free home.*
- *We value every survivor's determination to succeed.*
- *We value a safe, confidential, environment for survivors.*
- *We value accessibility to survivor driven services.*

How many of us are faced with the day-to-day threat of domestic violence? Domestic violence can take many forms. A person can be a victim of physical or emotional abuse. Domestic violence is when someone uses abusive behavior to control and/or harm someone with whom they have an intimate relationship. Domestic violence can have serious and sometimes fatal consequences, not only for the victim but for those that can see or hear the violence.

Thankfully, there is an agency here in Northwest Georgia with a caring staff to serve those that are living with the threat of domestic violence.

The Northwest Georgia Family Crisis Center is a non-profit organization whose main focus is to make a difference in the quality of life of abuse survivors. Their mission is to end violence in the home by providing shelter, advocacy and support to the victims while working in the community to change attitudes, beliefs and behaviors. In addition, they provide comprehensive services such as legal advocacy and programs designed specifically to empower our clients.

In 1978 the League of Women Voters and the Dalton Junior Women's Club became concerned about abuse in the community and joined to conduct a survey to determine the need for a shelter. From that an effort to develop a shelter for abused adults and children was launched to develop a shelter. In 1980 the Center was approved to receive an annual allocation for operations from the City of Dalton and Whitfield County as well as accepted as a United Way agency. While this support and funding are helpful to keep the Center operating, we are nothing without our volunteers and individual donations.

In 2019 we held our first "Little Black Dress" event. This event was a huge success and we received many requests to make this an annual event. At the shelter, we completely updated the children's playground areas to better enhance the safety and learning of the children staying in our shelter. We also increased the therapeutic services we are able to offer to clients. We began offering play therapy for the children and trauma informed workshops for the adult clients. Very positive feedback has been received from clients regarding these new services.

So, in what ways can you serve? Make a difference in your community? Work with us to reach our vision of zero tolerance for domestic abuse? Volunteering, educating, giving? All of these make a difference and the Staff, Board of Directors and Volunteers thank you for continuing to support their mission to deliver life-saving services to the most vulnerable.

Pat Jennings

President of the Board of Directors for the Northwest Georgia Family Crisis Center

2019 Statistics	
989 Crisis Calls Answered	<i>The 24-hour crisis line offers safety planning, information and support, as well as community referrals.</i>
<i>New unduplicated residential and non-residential victims of domestic violence served by the agency.</i>	1,578 Individuals Served
13,010 Bednights Provided	<i>The number of times a victim was provided a bed in our shelter or hotel.</i>
<i>The number of participants that received domestic violence education, in-service training and teen dating violence education from the agency</i>	13,002 Participants Received Community Education
3,326 Volunteer Hours Provided	<i>Volunteer hours are essential to the day-to-day operation of the agency</i>

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