



Domestic / Sexual Violence in the LGBTQ Community



abused Deaf women's advocacy services



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Deaf Domestic Violence Hotline

24 hours / 7 days

National VP: 1(855) 812- 1001

Local VP: 1(206) 812-1001

IM: DeafHotline

National Email: nationaldeafhotline@adwas.org

Local Email: hotline@adwas.org



Power and Control Tactics used by the abuser:

- "Outing" a partner's sexual orientation or gender identity to family members, employers, community members and others.
- Monopolizing support resources through an abusive partner's manipulation of friends and family supports and generating sympathy and trust in order to cut off these resources to the victim. *This is a particular issue to members of the Deaf LGBTQ community where there may be fewer specific resources, neighborhoods, or social outlets.

Did you know...

- 2012 saw the highest recorded number of LGBTQ Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) homicides?
- Many survivors of same sex abuse indicate that they do not access mainstream domestic violence programs because the agencies are ill-equipped to handle the complex intersections of homophobia, abuse, and isolation common for Deaf LGBTQ survivors?
- The National Violence Against Women survey found that 21.5% of men and 35.4% of women living with a same-sex partner experienced intimate-partner physical violence in their lifetimes, compared with 7.1% and 20.4% for men and women, respectively, with a history of only opposite-sex cohabitation? Transgender respondents had an incidence of 34.6% over a lifetime?