



Gillette Abuse Refuge Foundation
Prevent ~Survive~ Thrive
Allied to end family and sexual violence

The G.A.R.F. Gazette

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Total Clients Served

From January 1st-
November 30th, 2024

- 660 Total Clients
- 335 New Clients
- 66 Children
- 528 Crisis Calls
- 1,103 Shelter Bed
Nights



A word from our Executive Director...

I would like to wish all our wonderful supporters an amazing holiday season with friends and families! This is a special time to express how grateful G.A.R.F. is to ALL of YOU for supporting us financially, volunteering your time handling our 24/7 helpline, assisting with fairs and outreach, donating goods, and adopting our families for the Secret Santa program. We live in a very generous community, and good things are taking place all around us. There is always HOPE and There is always Light. G.A.R.F. is looking forward to serving our community in 2025!

~Tatyana Walker



How YOU Can Help

Monetary donations are ALWAYS needed and greatly appreciated :)

Volunteer at an event or provide personal support to survivors!

Contact Alicia if you are interested in volunteering!
volunteers@garfwy.com.

And one of the best ways to help G.A.R.F. is to spread the word about our services!

Share our social media posts, or refer people in need!

Thank you
for your
support!



29th Annual
JERRY BOLES
CHUCKLES FOR CHARITY



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST, 2025

TICKETS ON SALE NOW

Call 686-8071 or Email courtneym@garfwy.com

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY



29th Annual
JERRY BOLES
CHUCKLES FOR CHARITY

G.A.R.F. has limited event sponsorships
to be sold.

If you are interested in being a sponsor,
Please contact:

Tatyana Walker - Executive Director:
twalker@garfwy.com or 307.696.9969

Survivor's Corner

Providing Hope for Others

March 1, 2018 is a date vivid in my mind that was both traumatic and a spark to initiate new growth. A domestic dispute turned physical after years of emotional ridicule that left me homeless, a single mother, and with a fractured rib cage. Others heard my story in the Gillette News Record about a high-speed chase and a perpetrator jumping from a two-story balcony. A select few listened to the physical and emotional pain, heartbreak, fear, and betrayal in my voice. Endless hours just crying in doctors' offices, Victim Services, therapy offices, and to those I hold dear at Gillette Abuse Refuge Foundation (G.A.R.F). The days after, my daughter and I lived on couches of dear friends. Without G.A.R.F. we would have been in a state of constant fear that our perpetrator would discover where we were staying that night. They helped put together a safety plan, a protection order and provided diapers to get me through the transition from a victim to a survivor. Without their kindness and outpouring of love and support, my story could have turned out completely different. To this day, I repay their kindness and support by paying it forward, becoming an active volunteer, and providing the same comfort, patience, and love that my daughter and I received, because these heartbreaking situations change people for better or worse. Without the understanding and the most beautiful hearts at G.A.R.F., I would have remained a victim and not a survivor. And today, I will continue telling my story and limitless gratitude to past and present advocates at G.A.R.F..

Alexis Chase -Gillette



Upcoming Events



Stronger Together Women's Support Group

Our Walk-In Thursday group is active! Join us at 10 AM at the G.A.R.F. office every Thursday. Topics change week to week, but we cover DV, SA, self-esteem, codependency, red flags, green flags, and more!

Save the Date

Chuckles for Charity
Saturday, February 1st

Children's Festival
Saturday, March 8th

**Chamber Mixer Hosted
by G.A.R.F.**
Thursday, March 20th



Awareness

January
National Stalking Awareness
Month **and** National Human
Trafficking Awareness Month

February
National Teen Dating Violence
Awareness Month

March
National Women's History
Month