



STOPDV Fall 2025

newsletter



WHAT IS STOPDV?

STOPDV is the first domestic violence specialty court in Arkansas that provides not only court advocacy, safety planning, and support to domestic violence survivors, but also free legal services such as representation for eligible petitioners in active order of protection hearings in Faulkner County. Based in Conway, Arkansas, STOPDV was initially funded on October 1st, 2019. We eagerly serve clients in person or via telephone, email or Zoom from the Faulkner County Justice Building, where we primarily operate as a fully functioning court project.

BREAK THE SILENCE



OUR STORY

STOPDV was initially founded over twenty years ago by Judge H.G. Foster. While working as a deputy prosecuting attorney, Judge Foster realized that there was a need in the community to help victims who “couldn’t hit back”. Thus, STOPDV was born, with our name being credited to Judge Reynolds.

Our board consists of a senator, county administrator, city council member, Justice of the Peace, legal counsel for the state of Arkansas, and other community members who are committed to helping survivors of domestic violence. Over the last three years, we have been able to assist thousands of clients in Faulkner County, and we look forward to serving our community in the years to come.

WHAT IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE?

Domestic violence (DV) is a pattern of physical, psychological, or sexual abuse, including threats, intimidation, isolation, and/or economic coercion. Domestic violence is used by one person to exert power and control over another in the context of a dating, family, or household relationship.



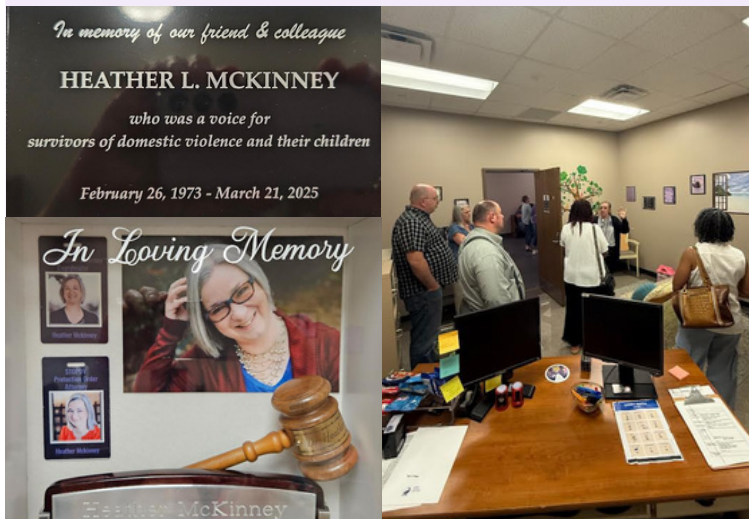
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What's Happening?



OUTREACH ROOM DEDICATION



We recently honored the memory of our dear friend and colleague, Heather L. McKinney, by dedicating our outreach room in her name. The Heather L. McKinney Outreach Room now serves as a lasting tribute to her compassion, strength, and unwavering dedication to survivors of domestic violence and their children. Heather was more than a fierce advocate. She was a source of light and support for so many. Her legacy lives on in every life we touch through this work.



UCA VOLUNTEER FAIR

Outside of the Ronnie Williams Student Center



StopDV attended the UCA Volunteer Fair on September 9th, and what a fantastic turnout! It was wonderful to connect with so many students, share information about the vital services StopDV provides, and introduce them to our training opportunities. We're grateful for the chance to engage with the community and inspire the next generation of advocates.



The Rise House of Conway 24-Hour Hotline: (866)358-2265

Best Wishes to Our Summer Interns



Thank you, Sarah!



Great work, Makayla!

Thank you to our amazing summer interns for your passion, hard work, and dedication. You've each made a meaningful impact at STOPDV, and we're so grateful to have had you on our team. Wishing you all the best in what comes next.



You'll go far, Courtney!



All the best, Mary!

Interested in becoming an intern or volunteer?

Scan the QR code to answer a few quick questions so we can find the best fit for you. You'll also get more information about what we do here at STOPDV and how you can get involved.



Scan me!!

Intern Spotlight: Meet Our Fall 2025 Interns

≡Welcome≡

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My name is Tori Maldonado, and I'm a junior Psychology major at Hendrix College. I'm also a member of the softball team. I'm excited to learn, grow, and get more involved in the community through my internship with STOPDV.

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My name is Miles Drenner and I am a junior religious studies major at Hendrix College. I am so grateful for this opportunity and the chance to learn what it means to truly make a difference!

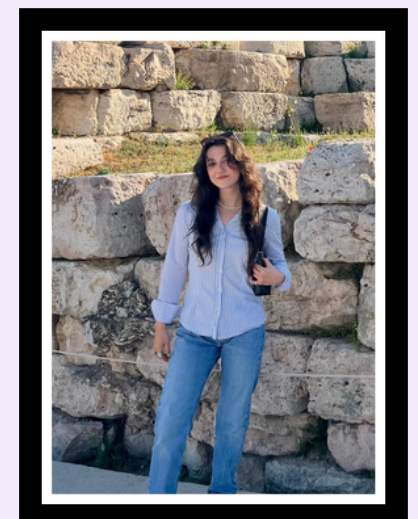
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Greetings! My name is Gentry Sneed; I am a Psychology Student at Hendrix College. My passion for nonprofit work and community support led me to interning with STOPDV and I am thrilled for the opportunity!

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Useful Info & Resources



SUPPORTING SURVIVORS OF
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

LOCAL PHONE RESOURCES

AR State Police: (501) 618-8000
AR Coalition Against Sexual Assault: (800) 656-4673
AR Coalition Against Domestic Violence: (501) 907-5612
AR Commission on Child Abuse, Rape, & Domestic Violence:
(501) 661-7975
The Rise House Crisis Hotline: (866) 358-2265
Women & Children First: (800) 332-4443
The Safe Place (Morrilton): (888)-554-2501

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510 S. German Lane Rm 306



NATIONAL PHONE RESOURCES

National Dating Abuse Helpline:
(866) 331-9474
National Domestic Violence Hotline:
(800) 799-7233
Text 'LOVEIS' to '22522'
National Resource Center on Domestic Violence:
(800) 537-2238
National Network to End Domestic Violence:
(202) 543-5566
Love Is Respect:
1-866-331-9474, 800.787.3224 (TTY)
The Trevor Project:
1-866-488-7386



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- Jenny Jackson, Protection Order Attorney
(501)-504-6275

How Can You Support STOPDV?

Donate to STOPDV by texting 'STOPDV19' to 44-321,
OR

Square:

<https://checkout.square.site/merchant/ML6G3YW9FZBB7/checkout/BWPIVRF5PRTHSEDN4TXSBDW2>

PayPal:

<https://www.paypal.com/donate?token=pq08kbZamMzxvO36M03Xqj0f-YIEmvpaayfvgh0y0v14Qfeo750bC-Yjmdier1zB9HHkfWrZSS7Np->



Arkansas Victim Rights

Arkansas legate law (Act 873 and Arkansas Victim Rights Law/Act 1262) provides these protections to victims:

- As a victim of a crime, you are entitled to specific information about the criminal case and the legal process involving the criminal case.
- During criminal proceedings, you have the right to be present and be provided with a separate waiting area away from your abuser.
- You have the right to make an impact statement in person or in writing, detailing how the crime against you has affected your life.
- Once the criminal proceeding is finished, you have the right to have a post-conviction no contact order.
- If your abuser is found guilty and the judge's sentence includes incarceration, you have the right to be informed thirty days prior to the release, parole, furlough, pardon, plea, bail or at the time of escape through notification programs such as VINE (Victim Information and Notification Everyday)

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community partners.**

**None of this would be possible
without you!**