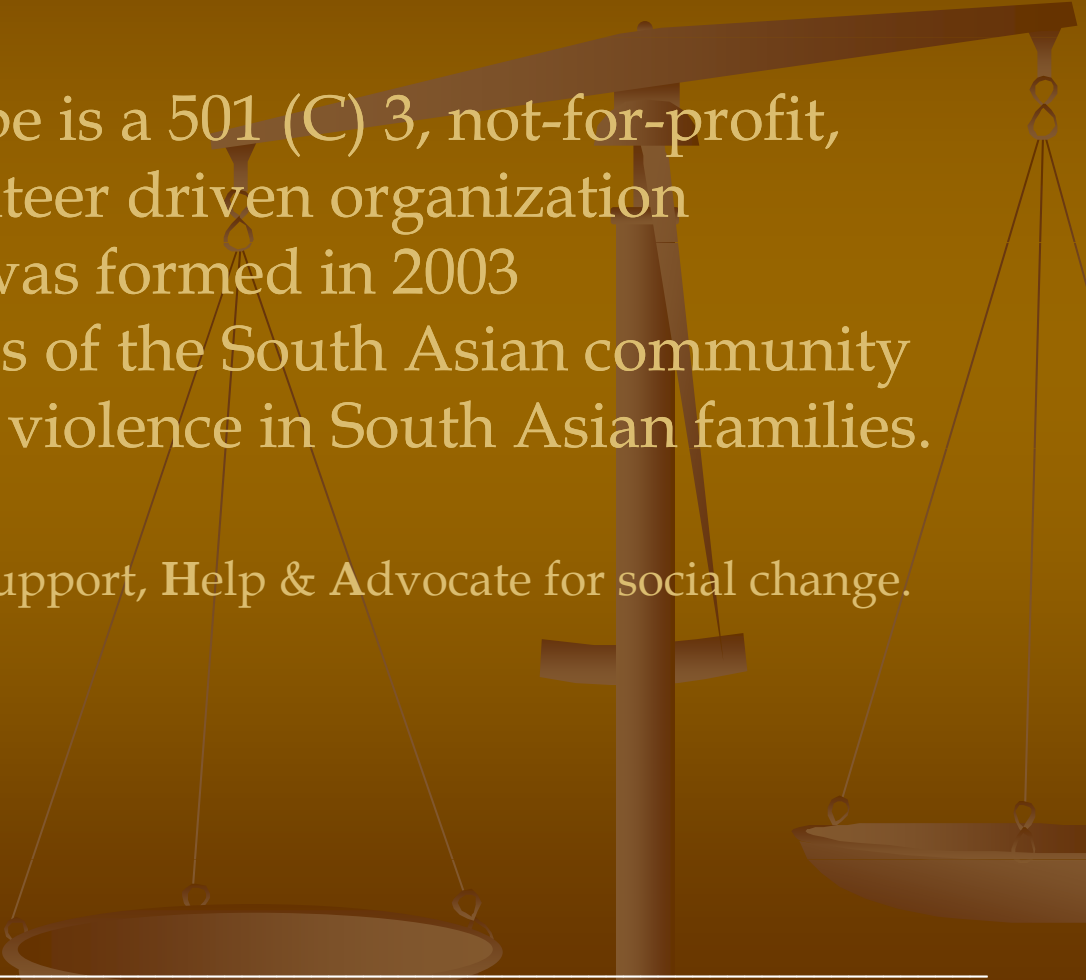


ASHA-Ray of Hope

an introduction....





Asha-Ray of Hope is a 501 (C) 3, not-for-profit,
100% volunteer driven organization
that was formed in 2003
by nine (9) members of the South Asian community
to address domestic violence in South Asian families.

Asha stands for Assist, Support, Help & Advocate for social change.

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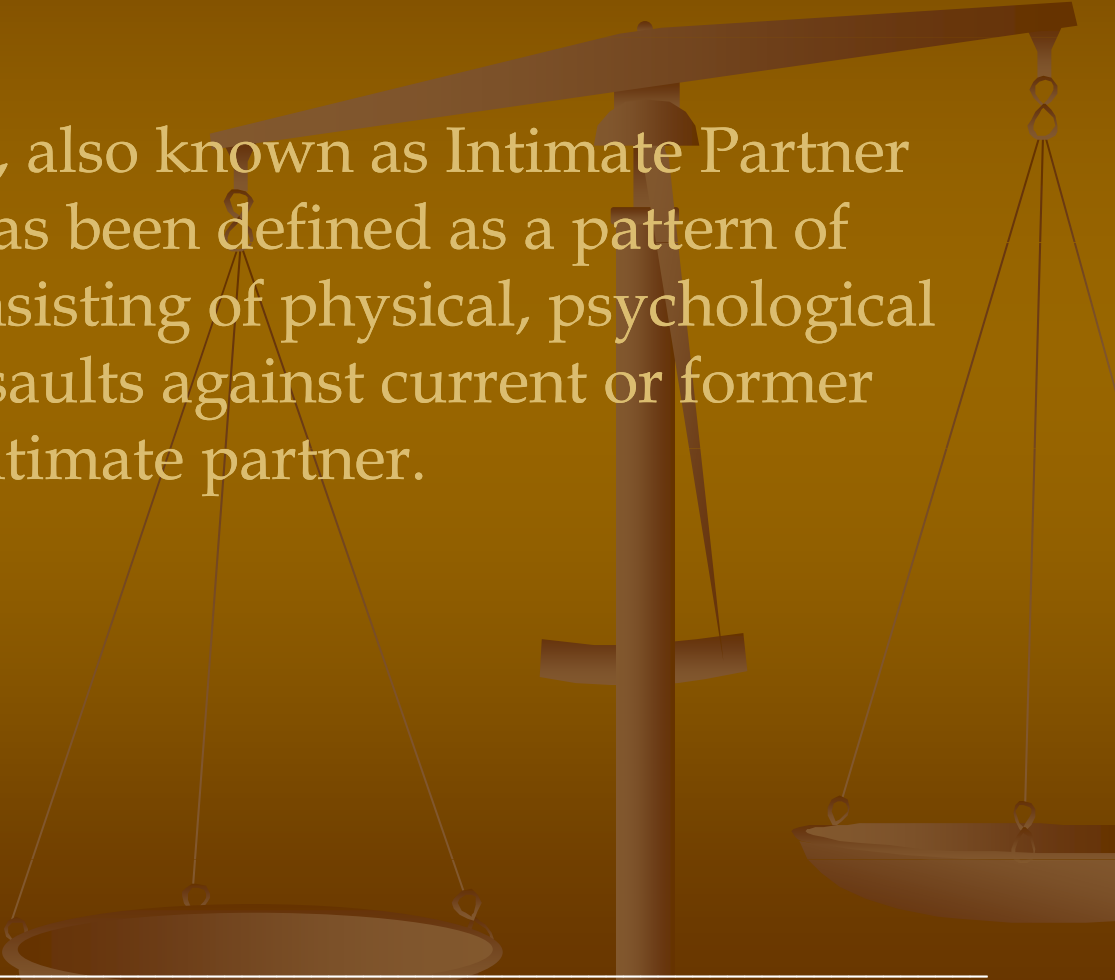
Janak Wadwa, MD

To support and counsel individuals and families affected by domestic violence, especially in the South Asian Community in Ohio.

Through advocacy, collaboration and awareness activities, we will help to educate the greater community and connect individuals and families with the resources they need to achieve self-reliance.



The eradication of domestic violence and providing support for victims through education, awareness and counseling.

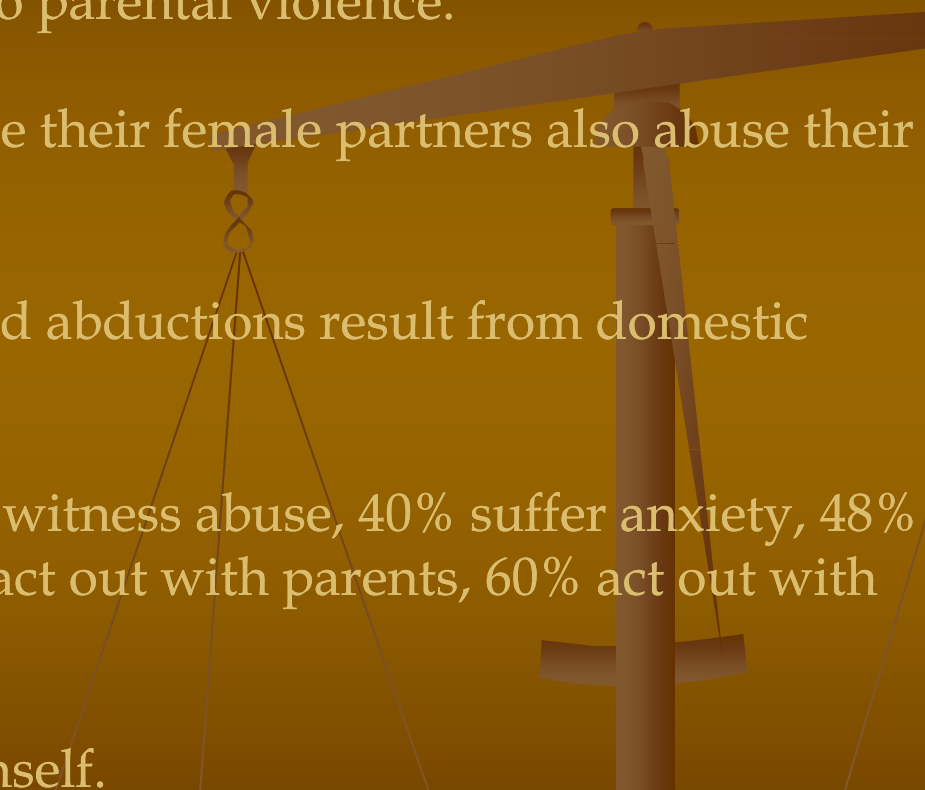


Domestic Violence, also known as Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) has been defined as a pattern of coercive control consisting of physical, psychological and/or sexual assaults against current or former intimate partner.

✓ Every year, in the United States, 4 MILLION women are believed to be battered by their intimate partners. i.e., 1 incident occurs every 15 seconds.

✓ 1 in 4 women will be subjected to IPV, at some point in life.

✓ 1 in 6 women will be subjected to IPV when pregnant.

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- ✓ Every year, approximately 3.3 million children (3-17 years) are at risk of exposure to parental violence.
 - ✓ 70% of men who abuse their female partners also abuse their children.
 - ✓ More than 50% of child abductions result from domestic violence.
 - ✓ Among children who witness abuse, 40% suffer anxiety, 48% suffer depression, 53% act out with parents, 60% act out with siblings.
 - ✓ Become a batterer himself.

✓8.7 Million Americans couples (nearly one in six) experience violence and 3.4 Million experience severe violence.

✓25% of all homicides in the United States are caused by a husband or wife.

✓50% of victims murdered by a spouse or lover were seen in a hospital emergency department but not screened for domestic violence.

✓Violence by husbands occur in more than 50% of couples seeking marital therapy.

✓Family violence costs the nation \$ 3-5 Billion annually in medical expenses, police and court cases, shelters and foster care, sick leave, absenteeism and non-productivity.



THE TIME TO ACT IS NOW!!!

DIRECT CLIENT SERVICES

-Provide support and counseling relevant and sensitive to the victim's culture and background.

ADVOCACY, AWARENESS, EDUCATION & COLLABORATIONS

-Partner with existing programs within the City, the County and the State to create awareness of these programs in the individual communities, who could then have the choice of availing their services, if required.

WHO ARE OUR PARTNERS?

Asha-Ray of Hope

1. Asian American Community Services
2. Asian American Commerce Group
3. Asian American Physicians of Indian Origin
4. Asian Indian American Business Group
5. Asian Services in Action, Inc (Cleveland)
6. Asian Community Alliance (Cincinnati)
7. Capital University's Legal Program
8. CHOICES
9. Central Ohio Bengali Cultural Association
10. Columbus City Attorney's Domestic Violence Network
11. Coalition against Family Violence at Nationwide Children's
12. Community Shares of Mid Ohio
13. Federation of Indian Associates
14. Franklin County Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs
15. Franklin County Prosecutor's Office
16. Mayor Coleman's New American's Initiative: Capacity Building & Leadership Development
17. Network of Indian Professionals
18. Ohio Domestic Violence Network
19. Sexual Assault Response Network of Central Ohio (SARNCO)
20. Telugu Association of Central Ohio

When Domestic Violence occurs, Everyone in our Community gets Hurt

✓ Spread Awareness

Participating in local community festivals

Advertising in local community directories

Utilizing media tools : website, email, TV and news media

Publishing Newsletters

✓ Knowledge Sharing/ Continuing Education

Organizing Speaker Events

Organizing Film Festival including peer group discussions

✓ Community Resources/Networking

✓ Fundraising/ Financial Support

✓ Domestic Crisis Assistance/Support

ASHA EVENTS



Ms. Amanda Baran, Advisor, White House Initiatives on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders at Asha-Ray of Hope event



Renata Ramsini, GOWIO and Verizon Wireless attendees at Kalanjali



Isabel Frammer, Board Member State Justice Institute at a Speaker event

Debi Bardhan, Janak Wadwa & Dr. Rajadhyaksha at the CBI Reception



Debi Bardhan represents Asha-Ray of Hope on the Barbara Warner Committee on Workplace Domestic Violence



Founding member, Dr. Raja was inducted into the Ohio Women's Hall of Fame



Asha-Ray of Hope



Mira Satiani with CHOICES President



Asha volunteers at the International Festival



Renowned film director, Grace Poore at Asha Film Festival

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- ✓ Choices PEACEMAKER Award
- ✓ Corporate Leadership Award from the Organization of Chinese Americans Columbus Chapter
- ✓ Outstanding Community Organization Award from OSU Multicultural Center
- ✓ Selected by Asian American Physicians of Indian Origin (AAPI) for Grant under the AAPI Charitable Foundation
- ✓ Recipient of monies from the Columbus Rotary for Service above Self award (Dr. Jindal)

Becoming a member and volunteering with Asha-Ray of Hope in one or more of the following Committees:



Community Awareness
Membership Drive
Program and Events Planning
Volunteer Coordination
Grant Writing
Client Services
Fund Raising
Web Designing and Maintenance
Newsletter
Administrative Assistance

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