

"[My husband] beat me, humiliated me, treated me like dirt... it was very difficult to ask for help and tell people that I needed help... When I knew there were people who were also Asian and understood our culture and traditions, my journey towards a new life started."

—Survivor

"[DVRP] taught me what to do and where to go if I have a bad relationship or am threatened by someone."

—High school youth, workshop participant

"DVRP's training fills a special need in the community. It brings a consciousness to service providers and the community as a whole about how we see and work with immigrant populations. It is great because it doesn't give you quick fixes to cultural competence but an awareness of you as a service provider/agency and how you do your work with all populations."

—Service provider, workshop participant

With each survivor we support,

**With each community member
we talk to,**

**And with each professional
we educate,**

**DVRP is creating healthier and
safer communities so that women,
children, and families can live free
from violence.**

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About DVRP

The Asian/Pacific Islander Domestic Violence Resource Project works to prevent and end domestic violence in Asian and Pacific Islander (A/PI) communities in the Washington, DC metropolitan area by

- Ensuring that abused A/PI women have access to culturally and linguistically responsive resources so that they can make their own life choices
- Raising awareness about the problem of domestic violence
- Uniting A/PI communities against domestic violence

You Can Help DVRP

Community support is a vital part of ending domestic violence. Please consider:

- Volunteering your time or professional services
- Donating grocery, shopping, phone, or gas cards to help survivors of domestic violence
- Contributing financially to DVRP

Contact DVRP to learn more:

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Ending Domestic Violence in Asian and Pacific Islander Communities

Learn how you and
your community can
make a difference.

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Domestic violence hurts everyone.

Domestic violence does not discriminate. It crosses lines of race, ethnicity, age, marital status, sexual orientation, socio-economic status, gender, and religion.

Domestic violence shatters individual lives and destroys communities. People experiencing domestic violence do not feel safe in their own homes. Children who witness abuse may learn to use violent behaviors. Friends and families may lose loved ones to the violence.

What is domestic violence?

It is a pattern of abusive behaviors used to gain power and control over a dating partner, spouse, or relative. Domestic violence is not an isolated incident. Domestic violence can include verbal, emotional, psychological, sexual, economic, or physical forms of abuse.

Examples of abusive behaviors:

- ⬆ Threatening to hurt the other person, the children, relatives, or friends
- ⬆ Threatening deportation
- ⬆ Controlling where the other person goes, what she or he does, and who she or he sees
- ⬆ Pushing, kicking, shoving, slapping, choking, or hitting
- ⬆ Forcing sexual activity
- ⬆ Controlling money or earning potential by denying access to bank accounts, credit cards, transportation, or employment
- ⬆ Name calling, insulting, or criticizing the other person in private or public
- ⬆ Blaming the other person for the abuse, saying she or he is overreacting, or pretending nothing has happened after an abusive incident

Do you know someone who is experiencing domestic violence?

You can refer the person to the Asian/Pacific Islander Domestic Violence Resource Project for information about **free** and **confidential** services. For Asian and Pacific Islander survivors of domestic violence, DVRP has services available in several Asian languages and English. Our services include:

- ⬆ Safety planning
- ⬆ Interpretation and translation
- ⬆ Individual peer support
- ⬆ Accompaniment to court or other appointments
- ⬆ Financial and life skills education
- ⬆ Multilingual survivors' group
- ⬆ Information and referrals for legal, medical, shelter, or social services

You can contact
DVRP at
(202)464-4477
Monday–Friday
10am–6pm.

Does your community need to talk and learn more about domestic violence?

Domestic violence is not a problem between two individuals; it is a community issue. You can help start conversations about domestic violence by inviting DVRP into your community. DVRP offers interactive workshops and customized presentations for Asian and Pacific Islander community members about domestic violence and how to create safer communities. DVRP works with community organizations, health centers, churches, mosques, temples, gurudwaras, schools, informal groups of friends and family, and ethnic media. Presentations and educational materials are available in multiple languages.

Are you a service provider who needs help assisting Asian or Pacific Islander survivors of domestic violence?

You can contact DVRP for assistance with individual cases or training opportunities. DVRP offers workshops to educate and support professionals who work with survivors of domestic violence. DVRP provides training on topics such as cultural competency and how to work with Asian and Pacific Islander survivors of domestic violence. DVRP collaborates with other social and legal service agencies to ensure that survivors of domestic violence receive the services they need.