DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAMS FOR MUSLIM COMMUNITIES: SERVICES, ADVOCACY & TRAINING DIRECTORY
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For Emergencies: If You Are In Danger Or Need Immediate Help
- Call 911 or the Emergency Number of your Local Police Department

For Domestic Violence Information & Support
- Call National Domestic Violence Hotline
  Tel: 800-799-SAFE, 800-799-7233 Web: http://www.ndvh.org/
  TTY: for Deaf & Hard of Hearing: 800-787-3224
Assistance provided 24-hours a day, 365 days a year, in English and Spanish, and with access to 170 languages through interpreter services.

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Introduction
Domestic Violence Programs for Muslim Communities: Services, Advocacy & Training Directory is compiled by the Asian & Pacific Islander Institute on Domestic Violence | APIA Health Forum, a national resource center on violence against women from Asian, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander communities. We have undertaken this project since many Muslims in the U.S. come from various regions in Asia. We have attempted to be as systematic as possible, to include organizations serving Muslim women, immigrant and refugee women from the Middle East and Central, East, South, Southeast, and West Asia. We have not systematically been able to list resources for African American Muslims (i.e., indigenous Muslims) or refugees from Africa (e.g., Somalis) and Europe (e.g., Bosnians). In general, all women can access the resources listed below.

Who is this Directory for?
- Muslim victims/survivors of domestic violence.
- Service providers and advocates who assist abused Muslim women.
- Organizations serving Muslim women, immigrant and refugee women from the Middle East and Central, East, South, Southeast, and West Asia.
- Organizations serving abused women from Arab, South Asian, and other Asian communities.
- National organizations that address domestic violence and gender issues in Muslim communities.
Identities
Notions of identity carry complex political, social, and familial meanings. The following terms are used in this directory and defined for clarity only and not to force anyone into a particular regional and ethnic grouping. Self-identification is appropriately a matter of individual decision.

- **Arab, Middle Eastern, West Asian** refers to people from the Middle East, also called West Asia and includes peoples who trace their origins to the countries, diasporas and/or ethnicities of these regions.
- **Asian** includes peoples of Central Asian, East Asian, Southeast Asian, South Asian, and West Asian ancestry, i.e., those who trace their origins to the countries, diasporas and/or ethnicities of the above regions.
- **Muslim**, which includes the Sunni and Shia’ sects, refers to people who self-identify, culturally or religiously (whether they are practicing or not), as Muslims.
- **Not all Arabs are Muslims.** They can be Christians, Druze, Baha’is, or Jews. Christian sects in the Middle East include Antiochian Orthodox, Assyrian, Chaldean, Coptic, Greek Catholic, Greek Orthodox, Maronite, Melkite, Roman Catholic, Syrian Catholic, and Syrian Orthodox.
- **Not all West Asians are Arabs**, e.g., Iranians/Persians, Turks.

Program Categories

- **Arab-specific programs**: Agencies that explicitly, but not exclusively, serve abused Arab women; have Arab advocates; and/or have staff trained to work with Arab domestic violence victims/survivors.
- **Domestic violence shelter and 24-hour hotline**: Immediate response time, including weekends. Shelter-based services include housing and extensive support services for domestic violence survivors and their children; time limited stay.
- **Domestic violence support services and help-line**: Response time is not immediate. Programs provide emotional support; referrals to social and legal services; case management; accompaniment; and other types of assistance.
- **I&R: Information & Referral** (on-line and telephonic): Information and resources about violence against Muslim women. Referrals to Muslim victims/survivors of domestic violence for culturally-appropriate social and legal services.
- **Muslim-specific programs**: Agencies that explicitly, but not exclusively, serve abused Muslim women and communities; have Muslim advocates; and/or have staff trained to work with Muslim domestic violence victims/survivors and communities. Includes organizations providing information on Muslim cultural issues and violence against Muslim women.
- **National organizations**: Provide information, technical assistance*, and training for domestic violence advocates, community organizers and others.
- **South Asian programs**: Serve Bangladeshi, Bhutanese, Indian, Nepali, Pakistani, and Sri Lankan abused women that may or may not have capacity to serve Muslim women.

Questions, Corrections & Information
Contact the Asian & Pacific Islander Institute on Domestic Violence apidvinstitute@apiahf.org, 415-568-3315.

* Technical assistance is specialized help that includes answering questions about prevention, intervention, advocacy, services, critical issues and trends; collecting and providing information; offering consultation on special topics or case-related matters; being a resource center for advocates, service providers, victims/survivors, professionals, and communities.
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   4753 North Broadway, Suite 518, Chicago, IL 60640  
   **Tel:** 773-334-0173, **Fax:** 773-334-0963  
   **Email:** info@apnaghar.org  
   **Web:** www.apnaghar.org  
   **Language Capacity:** Arabic, Bengali, Gujarati, Hindi, Punjabi, Urdu  
   Shelter; hotline; counseling; legal advocacy; transitional housing; supervised child visitation center; community education; professional training; interpretation/translation; housing assistance; employment; case management; advocacy.  
   - ☑ Shelter and 24-hour hotline  
   - ☑ Support services for residents and non-residents  
   - ☑ South Asian program: Bangladeshis, Bhutanese, Indians, Nepalis, Pakistanis, Sri Lankans

2. **Arab American Family Services (AAFS)**  
   9044 S. Octavia St., Bridgeview, IL 60455  
   **Tel:** 708-599-2237, **Fax:** 708-599-8229  
   **Email:** info@arabamericanfamilyservices.com  
   **Web:** http://www.arabamericanfamilyservices.org  
   **Language Capacity:** Arabic  
   Case management; information and referral to Arab and Muslim women and children regarding domestic violence, hate crimes, self sufficiency, discrimination.  
   - ☑ Arab-specific program  
   - ☑ Muslim-specific program  
   - ☑ I&R: Information & Referral

3. **Arab-American Family Support Center (AAFSC)**  
   150 Court Street, 3rd Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11201  
   **Tel:** 718.643.8000, **Fax:** 718.797.0410  
   **Web:** http://www.aafscny.org  
   **Language Capacity:** Arabic  
   Comprehensive social services to families and children; individual and family counseling; crisis intervention; parenting groups; help to Arabic-speaking immigrants adjusting to new culture.  
   - ☑ Arab-specific program  
   - ☑ Muslim-specific program  
   - ☑ Support services and help-line

4. **Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services (ACCESS)**  
   2651 Saulino Court, Dearborn, MI 48120  
   **Tel:** 313-842-7010, **Fax:** 313-842-5150  
   **Web:** http://www.accesscommunity.org  
   **Language Capacity:** Arabic  
   Social services; mental health and family counseling; health services; employment and training; domestic violence prevention and intervention; information; referral; advocacy; housing assistance; legal services.  
   - ☑ Arab-specific program  
   - ☑ Muslim-specific program  
   - ☑ I&R: Information & Referral  
   - ☑ Support services and help-line
5. **Arab Cultural & Community Center of San Francisco**
   - 2 Plaza Street, San Francisco, CA 94116
   - Tel: 415-664-2200, Fax: 415-664-2280
   - Email: info@arabculturalcenter.org
   - Web: [http://www.arabculturalcenter.org](http://www.arabculturalcenter.org)
   - **Language Capacity:** Arabic
   - Social services for domestic violence victims; health program; women’s program; adult social services program; cultural competency training.
   - Arab-specific program
   - Muslim-specific program
   - I&R: Information & Referral

6. **Arizona South Asians for Safe Families (ASAFSF)**
   - P.O. Box 2748, Scottsdale, AZ 85252 (Service area: Arizona)
   - Tel: Helpline: 1-877-SAFE-711 or 1-877-723-3711
   - Email: info@asafsf.org
   - Web: [http://www.asafsf.org](http://www.asafsf.org)
   - **Language Capacity:** Bangla, Hindi, Urdu, several South Asian languages
   - Help-line; support services; referrals; legal and medical accompaniment; financial assistance; parenting support; community outreach.
   - Support services and help-line
   - South Asian program: Bangladeshis, Bhutanese, Indians, Nepalis, Pakistanis, Sri Lankans
   - Has several Bangladeshi advocates

7. **ASHA for Women**
   - P.O. Box 2084, Rockville, MD 20847 (Service area: Washington DC-Baltimore)
   - Tel: 202-683-2019, Helpline: 888-417-2742
   - Email: coordinator@ashaforwomen.org
   - **Language Capacity:** Bengali, Hindi, Kannada, Marathi, Punjabi, Tamil, Telugu, Urdu
   - Support; information and guidance; referrals to short-term shelter; temporary housing; legal services; medical and educational assistance.
   - Support services and help-line
   - South Asian program: Bangladeshis, Bhutanese, Indians, Nepalis, Pakistanis, Sri Lankans

8. **ASHA-Ray of Hope**
   - 1505 Bethel Road, Suite 103, Columbus, OH 43220
   - Tel: 614-326-2121, Crisis Line: 614-565-2918
   - Email: asharayofhope@sbcglobal.net
   - **Language Capacity:** Several, Bengali, Gujarati, Hindi, Kannada, Punjabi, Tamil, Telugu, Urdu
   - Support; crisis line; information; advocacy; connects victims to resources for self-reliance.
   - Support services and help-line
   - South Asian program: Bangladeshis, Bhutanese, Indians, Nepalis, Pakistanis, Sri Lankans

9. **Asian & Pacific Islander Institute on Domestic Violence | APIA Health Forum**
   - 450 Sutter Street, Suite 600, San Francisco, CA 94102
   - Tel: 415-568-3315, Fax: 415-954-9999
   - Email: apidvinstitute@apiahf.org
   - Web: [www.apiahf.org/apidvinstitute](http://www.apiahf.org/apidvinstitute)
   - **Publications:** Facts & Stats, Directories, Bibliographies, Analysis, Guidelines on Interpretation; Reports on Innovative Strategies, Homicides, Changing Gender Roles, Community Organizing; and more.
National resource center analyzing wide range of critical issues; technical assistance, training and consultation; clearinghouse on domestic violence, sexual violence, trafficking; capacity-building for community-based-organizations; Interpretation Technical Assistance & Resource Center on legal interpretation and language access; policy advocacy; research.

✔️ I&R: Information & Referral
✔️ National organization providing information, technical assistance, training, publications

10. **Asian Pacific American Legal Center (APALC)**
   1145 Wilshire Blvd, 2nd Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90017
   **Tel:** 213-977-7500, **Fax:** 213-977-7595
   **Email:** info@apalc.org **Web:** http://www.apalc.org/
   **Language Capacity:** Cantonese, Hindi, Indonesian, Japanese, Korean, Mandarin, Tagalog, Thai, Vietnamese
   Direct legal services; Asian language helplines; job and housing assistance; securing citizenship and legal status; immigration matters; public benefits. **Appointments required.**
   ✔️ I&R: Information & Referral
   ✔️ Support services and help-line

11. **Asian Pacific American Legal Resource Center (APALRC)**
   1600 K Street, NW, Mezzanine Level, Washington, D.C. 20006
   **Tel:** Legal Helpline: 202-393-3572, **Fax:** 202-393-0995
   **Email:** helpline@apalrc.org **Web:** http://www.apalrc.org/
   **Language Capacity:** Cantonese, Hindi, Indonesian, Japanese, Korean, Mandarin, Tagalog, Thai, Urdu, Vietnamese
   **Publication:** *Developing and Maintaining a Successful Legal Referral Helpline for Immigrant Communities: A How To Handbook*
   Direct legal services; multilingual legal referral helpline; legal interpreter project; advocacy.
   ✔️ I&R: Information & Referral
   ✔️ Support services and help-line

12. **Asian/Pacific Islander Domestic Violence Resource Project (DVRP)**
    P.O. Box 14268, Washington, DC 20044
    **Tel:** 202-464-4477, **Fax:** 202-986-9332
    **Email:** info@dvrp.org **Web:** http://www.dvrp.org/
    **Language Capacity:** Bengali, Cantonese, Farsi, Hindi, Hmong, Japanese, Korean, Mandarin, Nepali, Punjabi, Tagalog, Thai, Urdu, Vietnamese
    **Publication:** *Project AWARE needs assessment of A/PI women in Washington, DC.*
    Direct services; advocacy; referrals; technical assistance to providers serving Asians/Pacific Islanders; public awareness and education campaigns.
    ✔️ Support services and help-line

13. **Asians Against Domestic Abuse**
    P.O. Box 420776, Houston, TX 77242
    **Tel:** Help Line: 713-339-8300
    **Email:** aadaorg@yahoo.com **Web:** http://www.aadainc.org
    **Language Capacity:** Arabic, Bengali, Hindi, Malayalam, Mandarin, Punjabi, Taiwanese, Urdu, Vietnamese
    Support services; legal advocacy; court accompaniment; social services assistance; referrals.
    ✔️ Support services and help-line
14. **Asian Task Force Against Domestic Violence, Inc.**  
P.O. Box 120108, Boston, MA 02112 (Boston and Lowell locations)  
**Tel:** 617-338-2350, **Fax:** 617-338-2354, **Hotline:** 617-338-2355  
**Email:** asiandv@atask.org  
**Web:** http://www.atask.org  
**Language Capacity:** Cantonese, Hindi, Japanese, Khmer, Korean, Mandarin, Nepali, Punjabi, Tagalog, Tibetan, Toisanese, Urdu, Vietnamese  
Shelter; multilingual helpline; community-based support services; legal advocacy; life skills classes including ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages); children and family program for shelter residents; education; outreach.  
✔️ Shelter and 24-hour hotline  
✔️ Support services for residents and non-residents

15. **Asian Women’s Shelter (AWS)**  
3543 18th Street, Suite 19, San Francisco, CA 94110  
**Tel:** 415-751-7110, **Fax:** 415-751-0806, **Crisis Line:** 877-751-0880  
**Web:** http://www.sfaws.org  
**Language Capacity:** Arabic, Cantonese, Farsi, Hindi, Indonesian, Japanese, Javanese, Khmer, Korean, Lao, Mandarin, Mien, Punjabi, Taiwanese, Tamil, Telegu, Thai, Toisanese, Vietnamese  
Shelter; multilingual advocacy; intensive case management; programs designed for queer Asian women and trafficked women; community education; technical assistance to build capacity of community-based-organizations.  
✔️ Shelter and 24-hour hotline  
✔️ Support services for residents and non-residents  
✔️ National technical assistance provider

16. **Asian Women United of Minnesota (AWUM)**  
PO Box 6223, Minneapolis, MN 55406  
**Tel:** 612-724-0756, **Crisis Line:** 612-724-8823  
**Email:** awum@awum.org  
**Web:** http://awum.org  
**Language Capacity:** Hindi, Hmong, Lao, Tagalog, Thai, Vietnamese  
Shelter; 24-hour multilingual crisis line; support and advocacy services; community education.  
✔️ Shelter and 24-hour hotline  
✔️ Support services for residents and non-residents

17. **Baitul Salaam Network**  
PO Box 115470, Atlanta, GA 30310  
Outreach Office (Open Monday and Tuesday 10AM – 6PM):  
675 Village Square Dr., LL1, Stone Mountain, GA 30083  
**Tel:** 770-255-8500  
**Web:** http://www.baitulsalaam.net/  
Emergency services; food; clothing; referrals to other services.  
✔️ Muslim-specific program  
✔️ I&R: Information & Referral

18. **Central Texas Muslamaat**  
3571 Far West Boulevard #109, Austin, Texas 78731  
**Tel:** 888-437-7402, **Hotline:** 512-577-SAFE  
**Email:** info@ctmaustin.org  
**Web:** http://www.ctmaustin.org/
Language Capacity: Adaraina, Amharic, Arabic, Bengali, Chhurkasian, Farsi, French, Gujarati, Hindi, Hinko, Irish, Kannada, Kaswahili, Katchi, Malay, Oromania, Punjabi, Spanish, Tamil, Urdu

Publications: Suggestions for Working with Muslim Clients and Tips for Outreach to Muslim Communities

Support services; referrals to shelter, medical care, social and legal services.

☑ Muslim-specific program
☑ Support services and help-line
☑ I&R: Information & Referral

19. Chaya
P.O. Box 22291, Seattle, WA 98122
Tel: 206-568-7576, Fax: 206-568-2479, Help Line: 877-922-4292 or 206-325-0325
Email: chaya@chayaseattle.org Web: http://chayaseattle.org
Language Capacity: Several South Asian languages, Farsi, Hindi, Marathi, Punjabi, Telugu, Urdu

Advocacy-based counseling; interpretation; translation; peer support group for clients; information and resources; referrals to shelters, medical clinics, legal and immigration services, and South Asian service providers. The Peaceful Families Taskforce, a Chaya volunteer committee based on the national Peaceful Families Project, works with Muslim communities to raise awareness about domestic violence.

☑ Support services and help-line
☑ South Asian program: Bangladeshis, Bhutanese, Indians, Nepalis, Pakistanis, Sri Lankans
☑ Muslim-specific component

20. Chetna
P.O. Box 832802, Richardson, TX 75083 (Dallas/Fort Worth area)
Tel: 469-532-2407, Help Line: 866-410-5565
Email: chetna_dfw@yahoo.com Web: http://www.chetna-dfw.org
Language Capacity: Farsi, Gujarati, Hindi, Malayalam, Punjabi, Tamil, Telugu, Urdu

Support; interpretation; long-term case management; legal advocacy; support groups.

☑ Support services and help-line
☑ South Asian program: Bangladeshis, Bhutanese, Indians, Nepalis, Pakistanis, Sri Lankans

21. Consulates
Consulates can be a resource for domestic violence victims who are foreign nationals, especially for matters related to passports that are lost, stolen or withheld by abusive family members. Advocates should establish professional relationships with consulates to facilitate the consulate staff’s ability to help victims.

Foreign Consular Offices in the U.S. www.state.gov/s/cpr/rls/fco/springsummer

22. CrescentLife.com
St. Louis, Missouri
Web: http://www.crescentlife.com/

Extensive on-line resources and articles on social and psychological issues in Islam.
Domestic violence among Muslims www.crescentlife.com/psychissues/domestic_violence.htm
Gender, family, feminism, spirituality, health in Islam www.crescentlife.com/contents.htm
☑ I&R: Information & Referral
☑ Muslim-specific resources
23. Daya
P.O. Box 571774, Houston, TX 77257
Tel: 713-914-1333, Fax: 281-416-7980, Help Line: 713-981-7645
Email: info@dayahouston.org  Web: http://www.dayahouston.org/
Language Capacity: Assamese, Bengali, Gujarati, Hindi, Kannada, Malayalam, Marathi, Nepali, Punjabi, Tamil, Telugu, Urdu
Helpline; individual crisis counseling; support groups; referrals; transportation; legal advocacy; long-term case management; transitional housing; interpretation; English classes; accessing public benefits; limited financial assistance; outreach/education.
☑ Support services and help-line
☑ South Asian program: Bangladeshis, Bhutanese, Indians, Nepalis, Pakistanis, Sri Lankans

24. Domestic Harmony Foundation (DHF)
P.O. Box 35, Syosset, NY 11791
Tel: (516) 942-2081, Fax: 516-333-7321
Email: info@dhfny.org  Web: http://www.dhfny.org
Language Capacity: Arabic, Farsi, Hindi, Urdu
Support; information; referrals; general assistance.
☑ Muslim-specific program
☑ Support services and help-line
☑ I&R: Information & Referral

25. Domestic Violence Forum (ISNA)
P.O. Box 38, Plainfield, IN 46168
Tel: 317-839-8157 (office), Fax: 317-839-1840
Email: stopdv@isna.net
Established to bring awareness to the issue of domestic violence in Muslim communities and to provide opportunities for collaboration, exchanges of information and the promotion of continued research in the field of domestic violence's impact on Muslim families.
☑ Muslim-specific program
☑ I&R: Information & Referral
☑ National organization providing information, technical assistance, and training

26. FAITH: Foundation for Appropriate and Immediate Temporary Help
795 Center St., Unit #2, Herndon, VA 20170 (Northern Virginia area)
Tel: 571-323-2198 or 571-323-2199
Email: info@faithus.org  Web: http://www.faithus.org/
Publication: What Islam Says about Domestic Violence
http://www.faithus.org/peacefulfamproj.htm
Crisis counseling; court advocacy; translation; transportation to shelters; financial assistance to domestic violence survivors; Muslim Men Against Domestic Violence Project; thrift store providing free items to FAITH clients; food pantry; senior citizens program; financial support to widowed, divorced and deserted women and their children, to single fathers and their children, and to orphans. Islamic social services; Islamic burial services; disbursement of zakat.
☑ Muslim-specific program
☑ Support services and help-line
☑ I&R: Information & Referral
27. **FaithTrust Institute**
2400 N. 45th Street #101, Seattle, WA 98103
206-634-1903 (office), 877-860-2255 (toll free orders), 206-634-0115 (fax)
**Email:** info@faithtrustinstitute.org, **Web:** www.faithtrustinstitute.org
**Publications:** Book *Change From Within: Diverse Perspectives on Domestic Violence in Muslim Communities*; Training DVD: *Garments for One Another: Ending Domestic Violence in Muslim Families*

FaithTrust Institute is a multi-faith, training and education organization offering communities and advocates the tools and knowledge they need to address the religious and cultural issues related to abuse in Asian, Buddhist, Jewish, Latino, Muslim, Black, Anglo, Indigenous, Protestant and Roman Catholic communities.

☑ Muslim-specific component
☑ National organization providing information, technical assistance, and training

28. **Hamdard Center**
228 East Lake St. Suite 302, Edison, IL 60101
**Tel:** 630-860-2290, **Fax:** 630-860-1918, **Hot-line:** 866-305-3933
**Web:** [http://www.hamdardcenter.org/](http://www.hamdardcenter.org/)
**Language Capacity:** Arabic, Hindi, Punjabi, Urdu

Residential shelter; protection; representation; advocacy for abuse victims (women, children, and elders); educational, employment, housing, medical, dental, and legal assistance; referrals. Serves South Asians, Middle Easterners and Bosnians.

☑ Muslim-specific program
☑ Shelter and 24-hour hotline
☑ Support services for residents and non-residents

29. **Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization (IRCO)**
Refugee and Immigrant Family Strengthening Project (RIFS)
10301 NE Gleasan St., Portland, OR 97220
**Tel:** 503-234-1541, **Fax:** 503-234-1259
**Web:** [http://www.irco.org/](http://www.irco.org/)
**Language Capacity:** Arabic, Bengali, Chinese, Farsi, Gujarati, Hindi, Kannada, Lao, Marathi, Nepali, Punjabi, Tagalog, Telugu, Urdu, Vietnamese

Support services; advocacy; accompaniment; legal advocacy.

☑ Support services and help-line

30. **Interval House**
6615 E. Pacific Coast Highway #170, Long Beach, CA 90803
**Tel:** 562-594-9492, **Fax:** 562-596-3370, **Hotlines:** 714-891-8121 or 562-594-4555
**Email:** admin@intervalhouse.org **Website:** [http://www.intervalhouse.org/](http://www.intervalhouse.org/)
**Language Capacity:** Arabic, 22 Southeast Asian and South Asian languages

Emergency Response Team; emergency and transitional housing; legal assistance; outreach; counseling; education and prevention; teen groups; domestic violence education classes; support groups in different languages. Salaam, a program for Middle Eastern women.

☑ Arab-specific program
☑ Muslim-specific program
☑ Shelter and 24-hour hotline
☑ Support services for residents and non-residents
31. Islamic Social Services Association (ISSA-USA)
   2345 S. Alma School Rd., Suite 206, Mesa, AZ 85210
   Tel: 1-888-415-9920 (toll free), Fax: 602-532 7057
   Email: info@issausa.org Web: www.issausa.org Web: www.issaservices.com
   Promotes awareness of the mental health, social welfare and general family issues impacting Muslims and the larger society; education, training, and consultation services for local Muslim communities and mainstream organizations; workshops to those requesting information to make their masjid or Islamic center more women-friendly.
   ☑ Muslim-specific program
   ☑ I&R: Information & Referral
   ☑ National organization providing information, technical assistance, and training

32. KARAMAH: Muslim Women Lawyers for Human Rights
   Tel: 202-234-7302 or 202-234-7303, Fax: (202) 234-7304
   Email: karamah@karamah.org Web: http://www.karamah.org/
   Language Capacity: Arabic
   Publications: Muslim women’s rights; Islamic perspectives on domestic violence; information and articles on domestic violence, rape, marriage and divorce, gender issues, family planning, dress and identity, http://www.karamah.org/articles.htm
   Training to community and faith-based organizations, lawyers and mental health professionals on addressing domestic violence in immigrant and Muslim communities; education; leadership development; Islamic jurisprudential research; advocacy; network-building; legal referrals; advice on interpretation of Islamic laws pertaining to Muslim women.
   ☑ Arab-specific program
   ☑ Muslim-specific program
   ☑ I&R: Information, & Referral
   ☑ National organization providing technical assistance, training, research, human rights

33. Kismet
   P.O. Box 524, GPO, Islamabad, Pakistan
   Tel: 92 (51) 2652505, Fax: 92 (51) 2652519
   Email: kismet@iacgrp.com Web: http://www.kismetwtg.com/
   Manual in English and Urdu provides guidance and information to parents deciding about marriage proposals from North America; finding support for those dealing with abusive marriages in USA and Canada; and facilitating help when it is needed by Pakistani parents and/or their daughters in North America regarding abusive matrimonial matters.
   ☑ Muslim-specific on-line resource
   ☑ I&R: Information & Referral

34. License to Freedom
   277 East Lexington Ave, Suite C, El Cajon, CA 92020 (San Diego area)
   Tel: 619-401-2800, Fax: 619-401-2700, Help-Line: 619-813-7415
   Email: info@licensetofreedom.org Web: http://www.licensetofreedom.org/
   Language Capacity: Arabic
Learner’s permit preparation classes; parenting classes; referrals; transportation; workshops for communities, organizations and mosques on immigrant women and domestic violence.
- Arab-specific program
- Muslim-specific program
- Support services and help-line
- I&R: Information & Referral

35. **Maitri**
   234 East Gish Rd., Suite 200, San Jose, CA 95112  
   **Tel:** 408-436-8393, **Fax:** 408-436-8381, **Help Line:** 888-8-MAITRI or 888-862-4874  
   **Email:** maitri@maitri.org **Web:** http://www.maitri.org/  
   **Language Capacity:** Bengali, Gujarati, Hindi, Kannada, Kashmiri, Konkani, Malayalam, Marathi, Marwari, Oriya, Punjabi, Sindi, Sinhalese, Tamil, Telugu, Urdu  
   Transitional housing; peer support; interpretation; emergency loans; referrals to legal help, emergency shelters, counselors.  
   - Support services and helpline  
   - Transitional housing  
   - South Asian program: Bangladeshis, Bhutanese, Indians, Nepalis, Pakistanis, Sri Lankans

36. **Manavi, Inc. – Ashiana (Shelter)**
   P.O. Box 3103, New Brunswick, NJ 08903  
   **Tel:** 732-435-1414, **Fax:** 732-435-1411  
   **Email:** manavi@att.net **Web:** http://www.manavi.org/  
   **Language Capacity:** Bengali, Gujarati, Hindi Punjabi, Tamil, Telugu, Urdu  
   **Publications:** Translated brochures and information cards, manuals, articles  
   Transitional housing; referrals; advocacy; legal advocacy; interpretation.  
   - Support services and help-line  
   - Transitional housing  
   - South Asian program: Bangladeshis, Bhutanese, Indians, Nepalis, Pakistanis, Sri Lankans

37. **Mosaic Family Services, Inc.**
   4144 North Central Expressway, Suite 530, Dallas, Texas 75204  
   **Tel:** 214-821-5393, **Fax:** 214-821-0810, **Hotline:** 214-823-5393  
   **Email:** home@mosaicservices.org **Web:** http://www.mosaicservices.org/  
   **Language Capacity:** Albanian, Amharic, Arabic, Bosnian, Burmese, French, Fulani, Hindi, Italian, Karen, Kikuyu, Kinyarwanda, Kirundi, Korean, Kurdish, Laotian, Malayalam, Mandarin, Nepali, Russian, Serbian, Somali, Spanish, Swahili, Thai, Urdu, Vietnamese, Wolof  
   Transitional housing; comprehensive case management for victims of family violence and human trafficking; assistance accessing housing, legal, medical, mental health, social services.  
   - Arab-specific program  
   - Muslim-specific program  
   - Shelter and 24-hour hotline  
   - Support services for residents and non-residents

38. **Muslim Community Center for Human Services (MCCHS)**
   7600 Glenview Dr., Richland Hills, TX 76180  
   **Tel:** 817-589-9165, **Help-Line:** 817-589-0200  
   **Email:** mcchs2005@hotmail.com **Web:** http://www.mcc-hs.org/
Case management; client advocacy; information on seeking victim compensation; referrals to shelter, legal services, professional counseling; safety planning; community education; culture-sensitive peer counseling.

☑ Arab-specific program
☑ Muslim-specific program
☑ Support services and help-line

39. **Muslim Women’s League**
3010 Wilshire Blvd. Suite #519, Los Angeles, CA 90010
Tel: 626-358-0335, Fax: 213-383-9674
Email: mwl@mwlusa.org Web: http://www.mwlusa.org
Publications: http://www.mwlusa.org/topics/list.htm
Information on domestic violence, honor killings, female genital mutilation, marriage and divorce, gender issues, sexuality, racism, eating disorders, mental health, equality, dress, spirituality and Muslim women’s rights
☑ Muslim-specific on-line resources
☑ I&R: Information & Referral

40. **Muslimat Al-Nisaa**
5115 Liberty Heights Ave., Baltimore, MD 21207
Tel: 410-466-8686
Email: info@mnisaa.org Web: www.mnisaa.org
Shelter; social services; responding to medical, occupational, educational and housing needs of women in the Muslim community who are homeless and/or victims of domestic violence.
☑ Muslim-specific program
☑ Shelter and support services for residents

41. **Narika**
P.O. Box 14014, Berkeley, California 94712
Tel: 510-444-6068, Fax: 510-444-6025, Help Line: 800-215-7308
Email: narika@narika.org Web: http://www.narika.org/
Language Capacity: Gujarati, Hindi, Konkani, Malayalam, Punjabi, Urdu
Support services; case management; information; referrals to family and immigration lawyers, social services, shelters, healthcare providers, counseling; services for trafficked women. South Asian Economic Empowerment Development (SEED) program offers financial literacy and management, basic job skills, career development skills.
☑ Support services and help-line
☑ South Asian program: Bangladeshis, Bhutanese, Indians, Nepalis, Pakistanis, Sri Lankans

42. **National Domestic Violence Hotline**
Tel: 800-799-SAFE, 800-799-7233;
TTY: for Deaf & Hard of Hearing: 800-787-3224 (TTY)
Web: http://www.ndvh.org/
Language Capacity: 170 languages through interpreter services, Spanish
Assistance provided 24-hours a day, 365 days a year. National Domestic Violence Hotline advocates provide crisis intervention, information, and referrals to services in the caller’s area to anyone involved in a domestic violence situation: including adolescents; male survivors; those with disabilities; immigrant/refugee victims; and family, friends, co-workers, neighbors, trying to figure out how to help. The Hotline maintains an extensive directory of shelters and
social and legal services across the country, and can connect callers to services in their area. All calls to the Hotline are confidential and anonymous.

☐ Hotline: 24-hour services
☐ I&R: Information & Referral
☐ National organization

43. National Network to End Violence Against Immigrant Women (Network)

Web: http://www.immigrantwomennetwork.org/

National coalition of over 400 organizations that advocate and provide services for immigrant victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and trafficking. The national network offers expertise on all aspects of interventions for abused immigrants, especially access to public benefits, VAWA applications, services for battered immigrants in rural areas, access to shelter and housing, and multilingual outreach materials.

National Co-Chairs: (a) ASISTA (b) Family Violence Prevention Fund (c) Immigrant Women’s Program of Legal Momentum

(a) ASISTA
3101 Ingersoll Ave #210, Des Moines IA 50312
Tel: 515-244-2469, Fax: 515-868-0089
Email: questions@asistahelp.org Web: www.asistahelp.org

ASISTA’s information clearinghouse centralizes assistance for advocates and attorneys facing complex legal problems in advocating for immigrant survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault.

☐ I&R: Information & Referral
☐ National organization providing information, technical assistance, and training

(b) Family Violence Prevention Fund (FVFP)
383 Rhode Island St. Suite #304 San Francisco, CA 94103-5133
Tel: 415-252-8900, Fax: 415-252-8991, TTY: 800-595-4889
Email: info@endabuse.org Web: www.endabuse.org

Publications: Manuals, posters, public service announcements, training curricula.


☐ National organization providing information, technical assistance, and training

(c) Legal Momentum: Immigrant Women Program
1101 14th Street, NW, Ste. 300, Washington, DC 20005 (Policy Office)
Tel: 202.326.0040 Email: policy@legalmomentum.org
Web: www.legalmomentum.org/our-work/immigrant-women-program/

Publications: Articles, manuals, outreach packets, fact sheets, etc.


☐ I&R: Information & Referral
☐ National organization providing information, technical assistance, and training
44. **New York Asian Women’s Center (NYAWC)**
    39 Bowery PMB 375, New York, NY 10002
    **Tel:** 212-732-5230, **Fax:** 212-587-5731, **Hotline:** 1-888-888-7702
    **Email:** contact@nyawc.org  
    **Web:** http://www.nyawc.org/
    **Language Capacity:** Bengali, Cantonese, Fouzhounese, Hindi, Japanese, Korean, Lao, Mandarin, Marathi, Potohari, Punjabi, Saraiki, Shanghainese, Tagalog, Taiwanese, Thai, Urdu, Vietnamese

Shelter and related services; support services for non-shelter residents include counseling, advocacy, support groups, job and benefits assistance, ESL classes.

- ☑ Shelter and 24-hour hotline
- ☑ Support services for residents and non-residents

45. **North-American Islamic Shelter for the Abused (NISA)**
    P.O. Box 50515, Palo Alto, CA 94303
    **Tel:** 650-856-0440, **Fax:** 650-856-0444, **Helpline:** 1-888-ASK-NISA
    **Email:** info@ask-nisa.org  
    **Web:** http://www.ask-nisa.org/
    **Language Capacity:** Arabic, Farsi, Hindi, Punjabi, Pashtu, Urdu

Support services; transitional housing; referrals to social and legal services; counseling to victims; counseling to abusers; religious guidance/counseling through Islamic principles.

- ☑ Muslim-specific program
- ☑ Support services and helpline

46. **Peaceful Families Project (PFP)**
    P.O. Box 771, Great Falls, VA 22066
    **Tel:** 703-474-6870
    **Email:** info@peacefulfamilies.org  
    **Web:** www.peacefulfamilies.org
    **Publications:**
    1. *Change from Within: Diverse Perspectives on Domestic Violence in Muslim Communities*
    2. *Peaceful Families: If You or Someone in your Community is Experiencing Abuse at Home, There is Help*
    3. *Garments for One Another: Ending Domestic Violence in Muslim Families*  
    **video**
    4. *Muslim Power and Control Wheel*  
    [www.peacefulfamilies.org/dwwheel.html](http://www.peacefulfamilies.org/dwwheel.html); [www.peacefulfamilies.org/resources.php](http://www.peacefulfamilies.org/resources.php)

The Peaceful Families Project facilitates nationwide workshops based on an Islamic perspective that promotes peaceful family dynamics and awareness of the nature and impact of conflict and abuse in Muslim families.

- ☑ Arab-specific program
- ☑ Muslim-specific program
- ☑ I&R: Information & Resources
- ☑ National organization providing information, technical assistance, and training

47. **Raksha, Inc.**
    P.O. Box 12337, Atlanta, GA 30355
    **Tel:** 404-876-0670, **Fax:** 404-876-4525, **Hotline:** 404-842-0725
    **Email:** raksha@raksha.org  
    **Web:** http://www.raksha.org/
    **Language Capacity:** several South Asian languages

Support services; crisis intervention; referrals; interpretation; legal and general advocacy; individual and family counseling with children and adults; advocacy regarding family violence, sexual assault, divorce, issues affecting elderly, children, immigrants.

- ☑ Support services and help-line
- ☑ South Asian program: Bangladeshis, Bhutanese, Indians, Nepalis, Pakistanis, Sri Lankans
48. **Refugee Women’s Alliance (ReWA)**  
4008 Martin Luther King Jr. Way S, Seattle, WA 98108  
**Tel:** 206-721-0243, **Fax:** 206-721-0282  
**Web:** [http://www.rewa.org/](http://www.rewa.org/)  
**Language Capacity:** Amharic, Cambodian, Farsi, Laotian, Mandarin, Romanian, Russian, Somali, Thai, Tigrigna, Ukrainian, Vietnamese, Several.  
**Publications:** Videos on sexual assault in Cambodian, Chinese, Ethiopian, Russian, Somali, Vietnamese communities  
Advocacy; support services to immigrant and refugee victims of family violence and trafficking; support groups for refugee and immigrant battered women and those at risk of becoming victims of domestic violence; community education and outreach; training.  
☑️ Muslim-specific component  
☑️ Shelter and 24-hour hotline  
☑️ Support services for residents and non-residents

49. **Saathi of Rochester**  
P.O. Box 92, East Rochester, NY 14445  
**Tel:** 585-234-1050  
**Email:** saathi_rochester@yahoo.com  
**Web:** [http://www.saathiofrochester.org/](http://www.saathiofrochester.org/)  
**Language Capacity:** Bengali, Gorkhi, Gujarati, Hindi, Kannada, Malayalam, Marathi, Punjabi, Tamil, Telugu, Urdu  
Support; advocacy; referrals; outreach; education.  
☑️ Support services and help-line  
☑️ South Asian program: Bangladeshis, Bhutanese, Indians, Nepalis, Pakistanis, Sri Lankans

50. **Saheli, Boston**  
P.O. Box 1345, Burlington, MA 01803  
**Tel:** 866-4-SAHELI  
**Web:** [http://www.saheliboston.org/](http://www.saheliboston.org/)  
Referrals; resources on career and health; domestic crisis.  
☑️ I&R: Information & Referral  
☑️ South Asian program: Bangladeshis, Bhutanese, Indians, Nepalis, Pakistanis, Sri Lankans

51. **SAHELI for Asian Families**  
P.O. Box 3665, Austin, TX 78764  
**Tel:** 512-703-8745, **Fax:** 512-385-0662, **Helpline:** 512-257-SAFE  
**Email:** saheli@saheli-austin.org  
**Web:** [http://www.saheli-austin.org](http://www.saheli-austin.org/)  
**Language Capacity:** Arabic, Bangla, Bengali, Burmese, Cantonese, Farsi, Gujarati, Hindi, Japanese, Katchi, Korean, Mandarin, Marathi, Nepali, Sindhi, Tagalog, Taiwanese, Tamil, Telugu, Thai, Urdu, Vietnamese  
**Publication:** *A Guide for the Immigrant Woman to Live in the USA*  
Advocacy; immediate crisis intervention; legal advocacy; referral services; long term case management; economic empowerment program to build self-sufficiency; community education and community building; systems advocacy trainings for partner agencies, law enforcement and legal system.  
☑️ Support services and help-line  
☑️ South Asian program: Bangladeshis, Bhutanese, Indians, Nepalis, Pakistanis, Sri Lankans
52. **Sakhi for South Asian Women**  
New York, NY  
**Tel:** 212-714-9153, **Helpline:** 212-868-6741  
**Email:** contactus@sakhi.org **Web:** http://www.sakhi.org  
**Language Capacity:** Bengali, Hindi, Urdu  
**Publications:** Videos *Creating Community Change; A Life without Fear*  
[www.sakhi.org/app/videodisplay.asp](http://www.sakhi.org/app/videodisplay.asp); Other publications  
Crisis intervention; ongoing emotional support; assistance in accessing free or low-cost legal representation for criminal, family, and immigration cases; assistance in accessing health services, public benefits, and housing; accompaniments and interpretation assistance for court, during healthcare visits, at public benefits and welfare agencies.  
☑ Support services and help-line  
☑ South Asian program: Bangladeshis, Bhutanese, Indians, Nepalis, Pakistanis, Sri Lankans

53. **Sanctuary for Families**  
P.O. Box 1406 Wall Street Station, New York, NY 10268  
**Tel:** 212-349-6009, **Fax:** 212-349-6810  
**Web:** [http://www.sanctuaryforfamilies.org/](http://www.sanctuaryforfamilies.org/)  
**Language Capacity:** Bengali, Chinese, French, Hindi, Punjabi, Urdu  
Shelter; legal services; case management; counseling; advocacy; Center for Battered Women's Legal Services; Community Liaison Project protects and promotes rights of domestic violence victims in Asian immigrant communities through direct legal representation and advocacy in family court, immigration, matrimonial, public benefit matters; community education.  
☑ Shelter and 24-hour hotline  
☑ Support services for residents and non-residents

54. **SEMAH: Safety, Education, Mutual Respect, Awareness and Hope**  
39675 Cedar Blvd. Suite 140, Newark, CA 94560  
**Tel:** 866-997-3624  
**Email:** info@semah.org **Web:** [http://www.semah.org/](http://www.semah.org/)  
**Language Capacity:** Urdu, Farsi, Arabic, Kannada, Tamil  
Workshops; referrals to marriage and pre-marital counseling; information.  
☑ Muslim-specific program  
☑ I&R: Information & Referral

55. **Sisters of Sunnah Islamic Services (S.O.S. House)**  
P.O. BOX 111888, Tacoma, WA 98411  
**Tel:** 253-389-0830  
**Email:** admin@sosislamicservices.org **Web:** [www.sosislamicservices.org](http://www.sosislamicservices.org)  
Support; 72-hours emergency services; temporary housing to women experiencing homelessness or domestic violence; case management; assistance navigating benefits, schools, childcare, medical services; referrals to community resources, job opportunities, housing.  
☑ Muslim-specific program  
☑ Temporary housing  
☑ Support services and helpline

56. **Sneha, Inc. (A Network of Women of South Asian Origin)**  
P.O. Box 271650, West Hartford, CT 06127-1650 (Connecticut area)  
**Tel:** 860-658-4615, **Fax:** 860-521-1562, **Helpline:** 800-58-SNEHA
Email: sneha@sneha.org  Web: http://www.sneha.org
Language Capacity: Bengali, Hindi, Gujarati, Kannada, Marathi, Malayalam, Punjabi, Tamil, Telugu, Urdu, other South Asian languages

Support; information about services.
☑️ Support services and help-line
☑️ I&R: Information & Referral
☑️ South Asian program: Bangladeshis, Bhutanese, Indians, Nepalis, Pakistanis, Sri Lankans

57. SoundVision.com
   9055 S. Harlem Avenue, Bridgeview, IL 60455
   708-430-1255 (office), 708-430-1346 (fax)
   Email: info@soundvision.com  Web: www.soundvision.com
   Publications: Glossary, common Islamic terms http://soundvision.com/info/~glossary
Information on domestic violence: http://soundvision.com/info/domesticviolence
Information on social services: www.soundvision.com/info/socialservice/default.asp
Access to Islamic products and media; information on Islamic topics such as domestic violence, halal foods, parenting, social services.
☑️ Muslim-specific program
☑️ I&R: Information & Referral

58. South Asian Network (SAN)
   18173 S. Pioneer Blvd Suite I 2nd Floor, Artesia, CA 90701 (Los Angeles area)
   Tel: 562-403-0488, Fax: 562-403-0487
   Email: saninfo@southasiannetwork.org  Web: www.southasiannetwork.org
   Language Capacity: Bengali, Gujarati, Hindi, Nepali, Punjabi, Singhalese, Tamil, Urdu
Support services; case management; advocacy; community organizing, education; referrals; policy advocacy in five focus areas: immigration, public health, violence prevention, hate crime/discrimination and civil liberties.
☑️ Support services and help-line
☑️ South Asian program: Bangladeshis, Bhutanese, Indians, Nepalis, Pakistanis, Sri Lankans
☑️ Several Muslim advocates on staff

59. South Asian Women’s Empowerment and Resource Alliance (SAWERA)
   P.O. Box 91242, Portland, OR 97291
   Tel: 503-641-2425, Helpline: 503-778-7386
   Email: sawera@sawera.org  Web: http://www.sawera.org
   Language Capacity: Bengali, Gujarati, Hindi, Punjabi.
Support; case-management; referrals to shelter, legal help, employment, childcare, counseling.
☑️ Support services and help-line
☑️ South Asian program: Bangladeshis, Bhutanese, Indians, Nepalis, Pakistanis, Sri Lankans

60. Tapestri, Inc.
   PMB 362, 3939 Lavista Road, Suite E, Tucker, GA 30084 (Atlanta area)
   Tel: 404-299-2185, Fax: 770-270-4184, Helpline: 866-56-ABUSE or 866-317-3733
   Email: tapestri@tapestri.org  Web: www.tapestri.org
   Publications: Educational materials on immigrant women
Direct services; general and legal advocacy; program for immigrant and refugee men; training.
☑️ Support services and help-line
☑️ I&R: Information & Referral
61. **Turning Point for Women and Families**  
P.O. Box 670086, Flushing, NY 11367  
Tel: 718-883-9400, Fax: 718-883-9449  
Email: info@turningpoint-ny.org  
Web: http://www.turningpoint-ny.org  
Crisis intervention; individual and group counseling; advocacy; outreach; education; training. In partnership with public, private and religious institutions, Turning Point is mentoring new generation of social workers trained to address Muslim community’s needs in New York City.  
☑ Muslim-specific program  
☑ Support services and help-line

62. **Wafa House Inc.**  
PO Box 2102, Clifton, NJ 07015-2102  
Tel: 800-930-9232 (800-930-WAFA)  
Email: info@wafahouse.org  
Web: www.wafahouse.org  
Crisis intervention and prevention, counseling, interpreting, referrals, and educational programs for all women, including those of Middle Eastern and South Asian descent.  
☑ Muslim-specific program  
☑ Support services

63. **Women in Islam, Inc.**  
P.O. Box 814 Lincolnton Station New York, NY 10037-0814  
Tel: (212) 576-8875, Fax: (212) 491-9185  
Email: womeninislam@usa.net  
Web: www.womeninislam.org  
Publication: **Women Friendly Mosques & Community Centers: Working Together to Reclaim our Heritage,** www.womeninislam.org/Mosque.pdf  
Public forums and discussions about Muslim women, human rights, social justice; available to conduct workshops on making mosques and Islamic centers more women-friendly.  
☑ Muslim-specific program  
☑ Educational organization

64. **Women Living Under Muslim Laws**  
Email: wluml@wluml.org  
Web: http://www wluml.org/english/index.shtml  
Information, support and a collective space for women whose lives are shaped, conditioned or governed by laws and customs said to derive from Islam.  
☑ Muslim-specific program  
☑ International solidarity network

65. **Women’s Islamic Initiative in Spirituality and Equality (WISE)**  
New York Office:  
475 Riverside Dr. Suite 248  
New York, NY, 10115  
917-492-8690 (office)  
917-492-8687 (fax)  
Web: http://www.asmasociety.org/wise  
WISE, developed by the ASMA Society, addresses the current lack of women's participation in contemporary debates about the political, social, and religious concerns of Muslim women in the global community.  
☑ Muslim-specific program  
☑ Educational program
66. **Youth Helpline for Muslims: Naseeha**  
33 City Center Dr., Suite 602, L5B 2N5, Mississauga, ON, Canada  
**Tel:** 866-627-3342 (866-NASEEHA) International call, charges may apply  
**Web:** [www.naseeha.net](http://www.naseeha.net)  
Anonymous, empathetic, non-judgmental phone-counseling environment; assisting Muslim youth of North America to deal with their unique life challenges; callers actively work with young volunteer Muslim advocates and counselors, who empower and equip them with strategies, skills and resources. Volunteer advocates and counselors receive educational development from health care workers, social service organizations, and other professionals on issues such as family violence, depression, and suicide.  
☑ Support services and help-line  
☑ Muslim-specific program

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415-568-3315.