



*From every wound there is a scar,
and every scar tells a story.
A story that says, "I survived."
-Craig Scott*

History

Mt. Graham Safe House, Inc. (MGS) was formed in 1995 to provide short term emergency housing to victims of domestic violence and their children. The director realized that shelter alone simply wasn't enough to make a real difference. Advocacy services were quickly added.

In 1998, services for victims of sexual assault were added. Advocates will respond to emergency rooms in the MGS service area for both victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Transitional Housing was added in 2000. In 2008, male victims were welcomed in to the residential area. In 2009, kennels were built on property to allow pets to be sheltered and stay with their families and be free of abuse. In 2012 MGS transitioned to a reduced rules facility.

At this time MGS is a 47 bed crisis shelter offering supportive service to victims of domestic or sexual violence and their children. Services are also provided to child witnesses of domestic violence. MGS has a transitional apartment on site.

Mission Statement

Mt. Graham Safe House will provide compassionate, caring, and confidential assistance to those impacted by domestic or sexual violence.



Mt. Graham Safe House

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Mt. Graham Safe House

"Not Just A Shelter"

ARE YOU A
VICTIM OF
DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE OR
SEXUAL
ASSAULT?



BREAK THE SILENCE

Advocacy

Victim Advocate offices are located in Graham and Greenlee Counties. Our Greenlee County office is located in the Gila Health Resources Building in Morenci. Primary Service areas include, Graham, Greenlee County and the San Carlos Apache Nation.

Advocates are available to respond to the Emergency Room Departments 24 hours a day 7 days a week in both counties. Please call for your local response time. A participant does not need to reside at the shelter to receive services.

Lay Legal Advocacy

Lay legal advocacy includes; assistance with orders of protection, victim compensation paperwork, divorce paperwork, divorce and VAWA self petition.

Mobile Advocacy

An advocate is available to come to you Monday-Friday, from 9AM to 4PM. Perhaps you need someone to talk to, help with planning your next steps, or transportation to pick up court paper work.

Children's Advocacy

Each child who resides at MGSB will receive their own advocate. Each child will receive age appropriate domestic violence education.

Safe Emergency Housing

Emergency housing, food, and clothing for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

Transportation

Transportation is available for appointments, court hearings, and employment.

Shelter for small Pets

Families in residence may choose to bring their small pets, (dogs, cats, birds, etc.) with them to shelter, to keep them safe from an abusive partner.

Self Help Groups

A self help group is offered to survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault. For dates and times, please contact shelter. Community residents are welcome to attend group.

Moving Ahead

A program which consist of budgeting and financial empowerment for participants to begin to move ahead in life.

Prevention Education

An outreach specialist teaches a dating violence prevention curriculum to high school and college age students.

Criteria for Admittance to Shelter

To be admitted into the crisis shelter:

- ⇒ Must be 18 and the victim of domestic and/or sexual assault.
- ⇒ Must want and need assistance.
- ⇒ Persons under the influence of drugs or alcohol must be sober before entering shelter.
- ⇒ Must be able to care for themselves and their children.

MGSB serves all sexes and all genders

Community Services

Victims of domestic violence and/or sexual assault who otherwise have a place to stay may choose to seek our community services. Services provided include all services available to residential participants. Including assistance with long and short term planning, support groups, access to resources, lay legal advocacy and emergency services such as food, clothing, home furnishings and household items.

Transitional Services

MGSB has a one-bedroom apartment on site. This allows those who have completed the residential program to stay as long as two years, giving them time to adjust to their new life style, allowing them to secure jobs, education, transportation, and a home.

IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT!