### **SOJOURNER'S SERVICES INCLUDE:**

#### **Crisis Housing**

Sojourner provides crisis housing, support and assistance to women and children fleeing violence in their homes. Residents of Sojourner Truth House, our 54-bed emergency shelter, receive a broad array of supports and services during their stay that are focused on helping them achieve freedom from violence.

#### **System Advocacy**

Sojourner actively partners with many community professionals such as the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office, the Milwaukee Police Department, educators, health professionals and others in an effort to assist survivors in navigating the many systems that may impact their lives after a violent incident.

#### **Individual Support**

Sojourner provides one-on-one and group support for survivors and offenders. Services and resources include: domestic violence education, emotional support, legal advocacy, job readiness, parent education, financial literacy and assistance finding housing and securing employment.

#### THE WISCONSIN HUMANE SOCIETY'S **SERVICES INCLUDE:**

#### **Behavior Support**

Fido not behaving? Our team of experts offers tips, training classes and one-on-one behavior consultations.

#### **Education and Kids' Programs**

Kids camps, school field trips and Scout programs, birthday parties, and more.

#### Adoption

Open your home to a new companion.

#### **Spay/Neuter Clinic**

Low-cost, high-quality spay/neuter services, open to the public at our West Allis Clinic.

## Furry Friend Food Pantry A food bank for families in need.

#### Rehoming support

Rehoming and surrender support for families who can no longer care for their animal.

#### Wildlife Rehabilitation

Found a sick or injured wild animal? We can help!



The Wisconsin Humane Society's mission is to build a community where people value animals and treat them wi.th respect and kindness. Our goal is to save lives.

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Sojourner 24-Hour Domestic Violence Hotline:

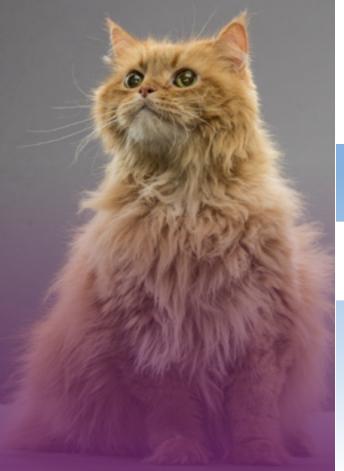
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## IN A VIOLENT FAMILY, EVERYONE COULD BE A VICTIM.

Research finds a clear and compelling link between animal abuse and domestic violence. In fact, a study of women seeking shelter showed that 71 percent of those with animals confirmed that their partner had threatened, hurt or killed their pet. The Wisconsin Humane Society and Sojourner recognize this link, which is why they've partnered to offer the Safe Haven program. Safe Haven offers temporary sheltering for pets of domestic violence victims. This life saving program makes it possible for victims to leave a dangerous situation knowing their animal is safe.

# THE SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM OFFERS UP TO 60 DAYS OF SHELTER FOR ANIMALS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIMS.

#### WHAT IS THE SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM?

The Safe Haven program offers up to 60 days of shelter for animals of domestic violence victims.

Many victims are hesitant to leave a dangerous situation because they fear for their animal's safety. In fact, numerous surveys have reported that between 25 and 40 percent of battered women are unable to escape abusive situations out of concern for their animal's safety (Mcintosh, 2002). Abusers may threaten, harm, or kill animals to intimidate victims, demand silence about the abuse, or prevent victims from leaving. As a result, some victims won't leave an abusive situation because they fear that their animal may be harmed.

The Safe Haven program removes this barrier and makes it possible for victims to leave a dangerous situation without losing their companion animal. Animals provide companionship, comfort, and unconditional love to victims and their children, and preserving the bond between families and their animals is vitally important.

## I NEED HELP. HOW DO I ENROLL IN THE SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM?

If you know of a family or animal in danger or need to access this program yourself, call Sojourner's 24-Hour Domestic Violence Hotline: 414-933-2722.

## HOW CAN I HELP SUPPORT THE SAFE HAVEN PROGRAM?

#### **Spread the word!**

Talk to friends, family and coworkers about the program. You could make a tremendous difference in the life of a family affected by violence and their furry friend.

#### Volunteer as a foster parent.

Opening your home to an animal through the Safe Haven program not only provides a comfortable home environment for the animal, but also peace of mind for their family. Your generosity will help save lives - both human and animal. To become a foster parent, fill out an application on the Wisconsin Humane Society's website.

#### **Donate**

Because of generous donors we are able to offer programs such as Safe Haven.

