Who We Are

The WCADVSA created the Legal Program in 1998. Since then, our program attorneys have actively represented or advised thousands of clients statewide including clients on the Wind River Indian Reservation. Our main office is located in Laramie with four satellite offices in Cody, Casper, Gillette, and Fort Washakie.

Program attorneys are specially trained in the dynamics of sexual assault, domestic violence, and stalking. This means they understand the importance of supporting victims in a trauma informed and holistic manner. Our Legal Program understands that trauma affects many areas of a person's life. We can help with legal issues related to education, family, criminal justice advocacy, and others related to violence. All cases are handled in a way that promotes safety and self-empowerment to move from violence toward healing.

The WCADVSA welcomes diversity on the basis of race, national origin, ethnic background, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, and disability.



How to Reach Us

Services offered statewide with office locations in Laramie, Casper, Cody, Gillette, and Fort Washakie.

Tel: 307-755-0992

E-Mail:

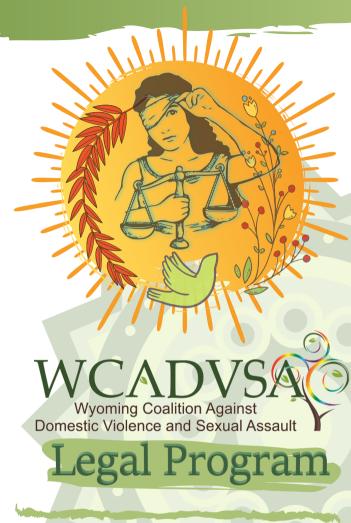
l<mark>egalteam@wyomingdvsa.</mark>org

Website: wyomingdvsa.org

You have the right to an interpreter.



If you need immediate help, contact your local shelter or call 911:



Providing holistic legal representation statewide, emphasizing safety and self-empowerment for survivors and involved children of sexual assault, domestic violence, and stalking.



What We Do

Legal Representation

We provide direct representation to survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, and stalking. This includes legal needs such as housing, safety, family, and other issues intertwined with instances of violence.

Statewide Connecting

We work to improve the justice system through interaction with judges, the Wyoming State Bar, and advocacy organizations state and nationwide. We provide technical expertise to guide and train attorneys, law students, and other organizations.

Attorney Networking

We collaborate and coordinate to develop a network of trauma informed attorneys who are trained to be victim advocates while representing survivors.

Legal Needs

Justice looks different for each survivor. Here are some examples of legal matters we can help with:

Housing:

Negotiate with landlords for accommodations • Help breaking leases • Identify financial resources for housing needs

Education:

Represent survivors in student misconduct hearings and appeals • Help survivors obtain accommodations from schools • Assess whether schools are in compliance with state and federal laws, including Title IX

Family Law:

Assist survivors with obtaining child custody, visitation, child support, divorce, guardianship, termination of parental rights, and other family law matters.

Criminal Justice Advocacy:

Advise survivors on the criminal justice process • Advise survivors on their rights as a victim/witness in a criminal case against their perpetrator

Safety:

Represent survivors in proceedings to obtain protective orders sexual assault, stalking, and domestic violence • Work with employers, housing authorities, and schools to enforce safety measures

Privacy:

Represent survivors at privacy hearings following a request for the release of privileged or confidential records • Work with schools and employers to protect victim privacy where possible

Employment:

Negotiate leave from work or other employment accommodations • Work with employers to accommodate safety needs • Assess whether employers are in compliance with state and federal laws, including FMLA

Immigration:

Resist abusers' attempts to use immigration status as a weapon against survivors • Represent non-citizens with victim-based immigration remedies such as U Visas and VAWA petitions

Empowering and Holistic Approach

Violence does not occur in isolation, and holistic representation recognizes this fact, seeing clients as the dynamic and whole human beings they are, bringing with them diverse experiences and backgrounds. Survivors thrive when centered and are better able to work through difficult experiences toward self-determination and healing.