

WHAT IS ABUSE IN LATER LIFE?

Every Older Adult has the right to safety and self-determination and deserves to be respected and protected.

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| <p>RECOGNIZE IT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unexplained injuries ● Unsafe living conditions ● Withdrawn/Isolated from others ● Changes in hygiene ● Depression or Anxiety ● Suicide attempts ● Unapproved or suspicious legal or financial activity <p>Elder abuse can happen to anyone and happens regardless of race, religion, ethnicity, sexual identity or culture. Often, victims experience more than one form of abuse.</p> | <p>WHAT IS IT?</p> <p>Elder abuse is a public health crisis affecting 1 in 10 older Americans every year. It happens when someone in a position of trust harms or limits the rights of an older, vulnerable adult.</p> <p>PARTNERSHIPS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Department of Economic Security ● AAA DOVES Program ● ACESDV ● A New Leaf ● Maricopa Association of Governments ● Phoenix Police Department ● Maricopa County Attorney's Office ● Maricopa County Sheriff's Office |
| <p>TYPES OF ELDER ABUSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Emotional Abuse-Maltreatment including harassment, intimidation, insults, or preventing contact with loved ones. ● Sexual Abuse- An action that forces one to participate in an unwanted sexual act. ● Physical Abuse- Action causing discomfort, pain or injury. | <p>TYPES OF ELDER ABUSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Neglect-Failure to provide necessities such as food, clothing, shelter, medical attention, and personal safety or comfort. ● Financial Exploitation- Actions that trick, threaten or persuade older adults out of money or possessions. ● Domestic Violence- Domestic Violence does not respect age and this can happen in an ongoing relationship. |

How the Arizona Abuse in Later Life Grant Project can help:

Emergency housing including a hotel, food, clothing, and incidentals for up to 10 days to escape an elder abuse situation. To request services for emergency funds through the Abuse in Later Life Grant /Area Agency on Aging DOVES program: Call JaNee Valerio, Housing Specialist 480-251-7289 M-F 8-5 pm or email janee.valerio@aaaphx.org If you need assistance after hours, please call the 24 hour Senior HELPLINE at 602-264-4357 (HELP) or Toll Free 1-888-783-7500. *Victims may be moved to a shelter once a bed becomes available, if appropriate.