

BC Association of Community Response Networks

BC's CRNs are united by the BC Association of CRNs that supports local abuse prevention activities.

Our Mission: To work locally and provincially empowering communities and individuals through coordination and relationship building to stop adult abuse and neglect – together.

Our Vision: Safe communities where all adults are valued, respected and free from abuse and neglect.

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You can help!

BC's Community Response Networks need your help to continue to be successful. Check out our website or phone to find out how you can:

Find Help: Talk to the adult or go to someone you trust

Volunteer: Join your local CRN

Donate: Your financial support, supports CRN activities locally and provincially

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**Stopping
Adult
Abuse and Neglect -
Together**

You Can Help!



BE CLEAR

Adult Abuse is any **action**, which **causes harm** to another.

- Financial
- Physical
- Sexual
- Psychological

Neglect is the failure to provide necessary care, assistance or attention that causes serious physical, mental or emotional harm or damage to or loss of assets.

Self-Neglect is any failure to take care of ourselves that causes serious physical or mental harm or damage to or loss of assets.

We can stop this...



BE AWARE

Clues that adult abuse or neglect may be occurring:

- **Sudden changes** in wills, unusual bank withdrawals
- A person is **rarely seen** in the neighborhood
- A person appears to be **frightened** of certain family members, friends, caregivers...
- A person appears to have frequent or unexplained **injuries**
- A person has signs of **declining health**, grooming, and/or physical appearance.

Open your eyes...



TAKE ACTION

Tell someone you trust who you think can help. If possible, talk to the adult first.

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What is a Community Response Network?

CRNs bring together people just like you to:

- raise awareness - posters, brochures, newspaper articles, skits, resource fairs
- educate through workshops and conferences
- build relationships leading to protocol development so everyone will know who can help
- work toward prevention, and
- keep track of how the community's response is working to continuously make it better

You can make a difference.....