HCWC can help you make a plan to keep you and your children safe whether you choose to stay with your abusive partner or decide to leave.

HCWC can accompany you to file a police report and to court if you choose to pursue those options.

HCWC provides the following services in English and Spanish free of charge for victims of abuse in Hays and Caldwell Counties:

- Emergency Shelter
- Individual and Group Counseling
- Children’s Counseling
- Legal Advocacy
- Court Accompaniment
- Safety Planning
- Crisis Intervention
- Emotional Support
- Information, Resources and Referrals

**Resources Available**

**Emergency**

911

**Police/Ambulance**

Buda PD
(512) 312-1001

Caldwell Co. Sheriff
(512) 398-6777

Hays Co. Sheriff
(512) 393-7896

Kyle PD
(512) 268-3232

Lockhart PD
(512) 398-4401

Luling PD
(830) 875-5407

Martindale PD
(512) 357-2271

San Marcos PD
(512) 753-2108

Tx State University PD
(512) 245-2805

**Area Shelters**

Austin
(877) 384-9891

Bastrop
(512) 303-7755

Hays-Caldwell Co.
(512) 396-4357

New Braunfels
(830) 620-4357

Round Rock
(512) 255-1212

San Antonio
(210) 733-8810

San Marcos
(830) 372-2780

1(800) 834-2033

**Legal Resources**

Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid
(512) 374-2700 or
1(800) 369-9270

Texas Advocacy Project
1(800) 777-3247

American Gateways
(512) 478-0546

**Hospitals**

CTMC - San Marcos
(512) 353-8979

GVRMC - Seguin
(830) 379-2411

St. David’s - Austin
(512) 476-7111

Seton Hays - Kyle
(512) 324-1000

Seton - Lockhart
(512) 376-6661

Tx State University
Student Health Center
(512) 245-2161

**Contact Us**

HCWC
P.O. Box 234, San Marcos, TX  78667-0234
(512) 396-3404

24 hour HELpline
(512) 396-HELP (4357)

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info@hcwc.org
### Are You Being Abused?

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<td>- Humiliate you in front of others?</td>
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<td>- Prevent you from working or attending school?</td>
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<td>- Destroy your personal property?</td>
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<td>- Track all of your time?</td>
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<td>- Constantly accuse you of being unfaithful?</td>
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<td>- Control all the finances?</td>
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<td>- Abuse or kill pets?</td>
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<td>- Use or threaten to use a weapon against you or your children?</td>
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<td>- Force you to have sex against your will?</td>
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<td>- Hit, slap, punch, kick, or strangle you or your children?</td>
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### Types of Power and Control

#### Intimidation:
- Making you afraid by using looks, actions, and gestures
- Smashing things
- Destroying your property
- Abusing pets
- Displaying weapons

#### Emotional Abuse:
- Putting you down
- Making you feel bad about yourself
- Calling you names
- Making you think you’re crazy
- Playing mind games
- Humiliating you
- Making you feel guilty

#### Isolation:
- Controlling what you do, who you see and talk to, what you read and where you go
- Limiting your outside involvement

#### Minimizing, Denying, & Blaming:
- Making light of the abuse and not taking your concerns about it seriously
- Saying the abuse didn’t happen
- Shifting responsibility for abusive behavior
- Saying you caused it

### Types of Power and Control

#### Using Children:
- Making you feel guilty about the children by telling you you’re a bad parent or by telling you the children need a two-parent home
- Threatening to hurt the children
- Using the children to relay messages
- Using visitation to harass you
- Threatening to take the children

#### Economic Abuse:
- Preventing you from getting or keeping a job
- Making you ask for money
- Giving you an allowance
- Taking your money
- Not letting you know about or have access to family income

#### Male Privilege:
- Treating you like a servant
- Making all the big decisions
- Acting like the “master of the castle”
- Being the one to define men’s and women’s roles

#### Coercion & Threats:
- Making and/or carrying out threats to do something to hurt you
- Threatening to commit suicide or report you to welfare
- Making you drop charges
- Making you do illegal things