

Batterer's Intervention Program Goals and Objectives

The goals of the Batterer's Intervention Program at FavorHouse are to increase victim safety, eliminate the use of violence in intimate relationships and stop other forms of abusive behavior. Each participant will identify that acts of abuse are means for controlling the actions, thoughts and feelings of their partner. This is accomplished by examining the intent of acts of abuse and the belief system from which one operates.

The negative effects of inappropriate behavior are examined and how it effects the relationship, children, friends and self.

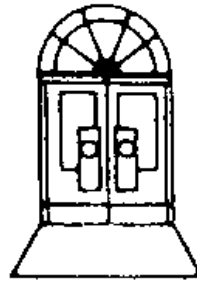
The cultural and social contexts in which a persons use of violence against a partner is examined to help the participant better understand the causes of violence.

The participant learns practical information on how to change abusive behavior by exploring non-controlling and non-violent ways of relating to one's partner.

The program encourages the participant to become accountable to those who have been hurt through the use of violence by encouraging the acknowledgement of the abuse and accepting responsibility for its impact on their partner and others.

The program model is designed to address tactics of power and control.

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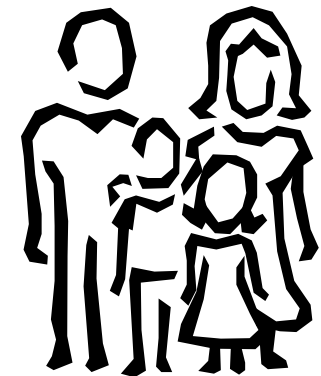
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BATTERER'S INTERVENTION PROGRAM

*Educational Classes for
Men and Women seeking
solutions to end abusive
behavior in their
relationship.*



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Professional Services

FavorHouse complies with the state standards set forth in *Chapter 65H-2, Florida Administrative Code*. FavorHouse's Batterer's Intervention Program (BIP) is a 24 week program (not including assessment, intake, or orientation). The psycho-educational class is divided into eight primary themes. Three weeks are devoted to each theme, stressing equality, identifying tactics of power and control specific to each theme and teaching alternatives to violence through appropriate identification and expression of emotions that are non-controlling and non-violent. The eight primary program themes are: ***Non-Violence, Non-Threatening Behavior, Respect, Trust and Support, Honesty and Accountability, Sexual Respect, Partnership, Fairness and Negotiation.***



FEES

FavorHouse assesses all class fees on a sliding scale. Each participant's cost is based on the individual's gross annual income. All fees **must** be paid by either **cash** or **money order**, checks and credit cards are not accepted. Class fees range from **ten dollars to a maximum of twenty dollars** per class. Prior to entering a class each participant must do an assessment and an intake/orientation session. These fees are not part of the sliding scale. To appropriately assess each participant's fee the following are the only valid forms of acceptable proof of income:

- 1) Most current tax return with W-2 form,
- 2) Company check stubs,
- 3) Verification of unemployment from Job Services,
- 4) AFDC, SSDI documentation with monthly benefits delineated.



Florida Statute 945.76, (1996), certification and monitoring of batterer's intervention programs mandates a one time fee of thirty dollars to be assessed on each court-ordered program participant.

Documentation

All program participants who have been court-ordered into a Batterer's Intervention Program must bring a copy of any and all documentation that requires you to attend the program.



Examples include but are not limited to the following:

- 1) Probation Order,
- 2) Case Plan,
- 3) Restraining Order,
- 4) Pre-Trial Diversion Order,
- 5) Pre-Trial Release Order.

Additionally, each participant should bring other forms of documentation that may impact your involvement in the class.

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