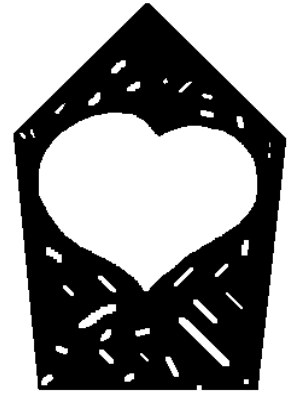


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HISTORY & CONTACT INFORMATION

End Abuse Long Beach (Child Abuse and Domestic Violence Prevention Council) is a non-profit Corporation. The Council, founded as the Long Beach Area Child Trauma Council in 1975, was incorporated on August 18, 1993.

The Council holds general meetings, open to the public at no charge, on the second Thursday of each month from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. at the Alpert Jewish Community Center, located at:

***Alpert Jewish Community Center
(Senior Room)
3801 E. Willow Street
Long Beach, CA 90815***

The Council's Board of Directors meets on the third Thursday of alternating months (January, March, May, July, September and November) at 8:00 a.m. at the Alpert Jewish Community Center.

The Council's mailing address is:

***End Abuse Long Beach
P.O. Box 1548
Long Beach, CA 90801***

The Council's website is:

www.EndAbuseLB.org

The Council's Tax ID Number is:

330-280-921

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2008 PROGRAMS

January 10, 2008

Michele Winterstein, Ph.D., Exec. Director, For The Child
Treating Aggressive Children Exposed to Domestic Violence

February 14, 2008

Tiombe Preston, MS, MFT, Feminist Therapist, Private Practice
Working with Survivors of Sexual Violence: Issues of Mental Illness

March 8, 2008

Susan Rice, DSW, LCSW, Retired, CSULB
Understanding & Dealing with Anger: A Key to Effective Communication
& Conflict Resolution

April 12, 2008

Extended Program for
Child Abuse Prevention Month

Amber Browne, M.Ed., Manager, WEAVE, Inc. (Sacramento)
Artful Communication: Helping Parents Whose Children Have Witnessed
Domestic Violence

May 18 2008

Melissa Denton, Program Manager, The Unusual Suspects Theater Co.
How the Process of Theater Strengthens Positive Social Behaviors for At-
Risk Youth

June 12, 2008

Joi Russell, LCSW, Deputy Director, LACO DCFS
Navigating & Maneuvering with & through the DCFS System

July 10, 2008

Yolanda Green, Ph.D., Asst. Professor, CSULB, Dept. Of Social Work
Understanding Kinship Family Dynamics

August 14, 2008

Judy Han, LCSW, Parole Agent II, Sex Offender Coordinator
California Dept. of Corrections & Rehabilitation for Juveniles

September 11, 2008

Denny Shaw, COO, I-Safe
What Children & Teens are Doing Online Today—The Internet Landscape
& the Phenomenon of Cyber Bullying

October 16, 2008

Extended Program for
DV Awareness Month

Alyce LaViolette, MFCC, Author & Founder, Alternatives to Violence
Gender Fairy Tales & Domestic Violence

November 13, 2008

Suzanne Brown-McBride, ED, CA Coalition Against Sexual Assault
How Anti-Violence Advocates Can & Should Participate in Sex Offender
Management

December 13, 2008

Holiday Breakfast & Awards, honoring:
Mary Van Valkenburgh, MFT
The Josephine S. Gumbiner Foundation

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

End Abuse Long Beach continues to instruct and inspire our Long Beach area professionals working with child abuse, domestic violence, elder abuse, sexual assault, substance abuse, and at-risk youth.

2008 Highlights:

- Updated Promotional DVD: Once again, Paul Sharpe, one of our outstanding Board Members and volunteers, made a brief annual review of programs. This DVD, together with our 5-minute promotional DVD, can be viewed on our website, www.EndAbuseLB.org.
- Programming/CEUs: Each month, we host an educational speaker so that we can learn from experts in their fields. For most of our programs we offer CEUs for MFTs & LCSWs. View photos & get more information at www.EndAbuseLB.org.
- Prevention/Educational Materials: With the continued generous assistance of CAPIT/CATTA funding, we reprinted 10,000 Domestic Violence Safety Plans, with advice on staying safe during an explosive incident, making a safety plan, and successfully obtaining a domestic violence restraining order. The Plans also include Long Beach area referrals and resources (and are available on our website in both English & Spanish: click on the link to "Other Resources & Publications" and scroll to the top right corner.) We successfully distributed *all* of these during the year, with copies going to schools, local colleges, hospitals, shelters and other community agencies.
- Collaborations/Co-Sponsorship/Conferences: For DV Awareness Month in October 2008, we co-sponsored a community wide DV awareness event, "Long Beach: Lighting the Way," which included the Clothesline Project, Silent Witness Project, Speak Out, Networking & Resource tables and a Candlelight Vigil. Also in October, and as we have done for many years, we co-sponsored the 13th Annual Nexus Conference on Violence Within the Home & Its Effects on Children.

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At the end of 2008, we are deeply sobered by the collapse of our financial institutions, high unemployment rates and a deep, international financial crisis: An explosive cocktail for children and families already at risk of abuse. Families everywhere need to make severe cutbacks. We all need to renew our library cards, revisit our local parks, and pull out those dusty boxed games. As practitioners, we need to remind those we work with and for, that spending quality time together as a family is priceless but need not be pricey. Our professional services are all the more necessary as our clients and patients cope with these financial hardships.

Also at the end of 2008, we are swept up by the extraordinary promise of hope and change chanted by our President-Elect, Barack Obama. This will be a time to remember. Regardless of whom you voted for, President Obama will represent all of us. Let's hope under his leadership we can all benefit from the immense feelings of pride in our democracy and that our new president will use wisdom and sensitivity to benefit all of us, all of our programs, and abuse victims everywhere.

Blessings to you & yours,

Paula Savage Cohen, Esq.
President of the Board of Directors

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Program

We are grateful that Paul Sharpe has taken over as Program Chair. Under his leadership, the Program Committee coordinated another year of outstanding programs in 2008. If you hear a great speaker or wish to participate in program planning, please contact Paul at: Paul@EndAbuseLB.org.

Blue Ribbon

The Los Angeles Community Child Abuse Coordination Council (LAC-CAC) coordinates a County-wide Blue Ribbon Campaign, recognizing April as Child Abuse Prevention Month. In 2008, with the assistance of LAC-CAC, we distributed child abuse prevention materials, such as bookmarks, buttons, pins, stickers and posters to local schools, agencies, libraries and hospitals with the goal of raising child abuse awareness. Anyone interested in serving on this committee is welcome to contact Helene Handler at handlh@dcfs.lacounty.gov. For more information about the L.A. Community Child Abuse Coordination Council, go to www.LAChildAbuseCouncils.org.

Publicity & Marketing

The Publicity and Marketing Committee continues to promote Council events. Please log onto www.EndAbuseLB.org to see samples of recent publicity in local newspapers. If you are interested in joining this committee, please contact Janine Limas at: admin@intervalhouse.org. If you would like to contribute to our website, please email Paul Sharpe: Paul@EndAbuseLB.org.

Membership

This Committee sets membership goals, encourages new members to join the Council, maintains our membership and mailing database, emails our monthly flyers, mails flyers for special programming and other notices of interest to our membership, and publishes our annual Membership Directory. To join the committee, please contact Paula Cohen at: pcohen@lafla.org. For updates to the Membership Directory or to be added to our email distribution list, please email Melanie Young at myoung@lafla.org.

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BUDGET DECEMBER 31, 2008

Beginning Balance 1/1/08		\$7,441.52
2008 Income		
Membership 2008 (\$30)	\$3,130.00	
Membership 2009 (\$30)	\$780.00	
Membership 2008 (Student)	\$55.00	
Membership 2009 (Student)	\$5.00	
April Workshop Program	\$310.00	
Donations	\$645.00	
LAC Child Abuse Grant	\$4,993.09	
CEUs	\$70.00	
Misc.	\$249.10	
Total Income		\$10,237.19
2008 Expense		
Awards Breakfast	\$939.99	
Speakers	\$579.20	
Conference Support	\$565.00	
Paper & Supplies	\$30.27	
PO Box	\$42.00	
Postage	\$181.76	
Printing	\$1,256.74	
Refreshments	\$148.31	
Room Rental	\$2,000.00	
Video Supplies	\$156.90	
DV Awareness Program	\$500.00	
Misc	\$23.10	
Total Expense		\$6,423.27
INCOME OVER EXPENSE		\$3,813.92
Ending Balance 12/31/08		\$11,255.42

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California Institute on Human Services (Sonoma State University)
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Anonymous
Carol Koelle
Paul Sharpe
Larry Van Avery
Melanie Young

and

All Board Members, Committee Members and the generosity of their employers!

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