

NCPC Performs Community Service Project for Partnership Against Domestic Violence

In June, the National Center for Primary Care (NCPC) performed a community service activity at the [Partnership Against Domestic Violence \(PADV\)](#). In the greater Atlanta area, PADV operates two emergency safe houses for women and children in need. As a unit, NCPC spent four hours staining and painting a fence that surrounds the PADV safe houses. This team-building experience was done in 90-degree weather, and was part of enhancing the surroundings of this shelter.

The NCPC has adopted PADV organization as its community service partner, volunteering for beautification of the PADV grounds; supporting women through their transitioning stages and providing educational and fun activities for school-age children living in its shelters. In July, the NCPC is planning a back-to-school field day for the children in both safe houses.

The mission of PADV is to end the crime of intimate partner violence and empower its survivors; its vision is a community free of domestic violence. To that end, PADV works to educate the public on the dynamics of intimate partner violence; promote healthy dating relationships among adolescents and teens to prevent future violence; offer safety and shelter for battered women and their children; restore power, self-sufficiency, and control to survivors; and create an effective and coordinated community response to intimate partner violence.

PADV began as an all-volunteer agency in 1975 and incorporated in 1977. Today, PADV is the largest nonprofit domestic violence organization in Georgia providing professional, compassionate, and empowering support to battered women and their children in metro Atlanta.

With 43 full and part-time staff, PADV's roster of services include a 24-hour crisis line; two 24-hour emergency shelters in metro Atlanta with 96 beds, legal advocacy; supportive housing a teen dating violence prevention program; outreach and prevention programs for battered women and children; workshops on the effects of domestic violence on the workplace; and community education and training. Annually, it serves over 20,000 individuals.





