



What if I know
someone who needs
help?

**If you know someone
in immediate
danger, call 911.**

Adult Protective Services

Confidential Referral

1-855-444-3911

EVE

(End Violent Encounters)

24-Hour Help Line

517-372-5572

Tri-County Office on Aging

1-800-405-9141

Abuse in Later Life Core Community Partners



Tri-County Office on Aging



EVE (End Violent Encounters)



Adult Protective Services



Lansing Police Department



City of Lansing



Ingham County Prosecutor's Office

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BE THERE BE AWARE

Understanding and
Addressing Abuse in
Later Life



**A COORDINATED
COMMUNITY RESPONSE**

Potential signs of abuse

- ✚ Pressure ulcers, bruises, scrapes or burns, weight loss, poor hygiene, sexually transmitted infections
- ✚ Isolation, withdrawal from activities, behavioral changes
- ✚ Missing possessions, lack of basic necessities, unusual loans or gifts, sudden change in accounts or wills



Abuse has no age limit.

What is abuse in later life?

Any form of willful oppression that results in danger, harm or loss to someone 50 years and older.

Common forms of abuse

- ✚ Physical battering
- ✚ Emotional abuse
- ✚ Sexual assault
- ✚ Financial exploitation
- ✚ Neglect or abandonment

Does this happen in my community?

YES. In 2013, EVE provided services to 444 people over the age of 50.

It is estimated that only 1 in 23 cases of abuse in later life are actually reported.

If you suspect abuse, report it. Once a report has been made, professionals can investigate your suspicions.