

Safe Nest Historical Milestones

- **1977**—Safe Nest begins its existence as “Temporary Assistance for Women” (TAW).
- **1978**—TAW opens its first shelter residence with 12 beds for abused women and children.
TAW starts a 24-hour hotline for domestic violence which receives 298 calls its first year.
- **1979**—Estelle Murphy becomes TAW’s Executive Director.
Kathleen Brooks is hired as Associate Director.
- **1981**—The Nevada Legislature votes to allocate \$5 from each marriage license to fund domestic programs, providing base funding for organizations such as TAW.
Wayne Newton gives a benefit concert for TAW and contributes a sizeable donation, making possible the purchase of a larger shelter property.
- **1982**— The new shelter opens, with capacity for 27 beds for women and children.
TAW opens a counseling office and starts offering services for both victims and batterers.
TAW changes its name to Temporary Assistance for Domestic Crisis, Inc. (TADC).
- **1991**—TADC acquires a second shelter property expanding capacity to 42 beds.
- **1993**—With funding from the NV Law Foundation, TADC hires advocates to work full-time assisting victims with protection orders at the newly-opened Family Court.
- **1994**—Youth Education programs begin in the schools with dating violence prevention classes for teens and age-appropriate conflict resolution for younger children.
- **1996**—TADC adopts the “DBA” name “Safe Nest” and promotes it publicly.
Safe Nest opens a shelter in North Las Vegas expanding housing capacity to 67 beds.
- **1997**—Safe Nest opens additional counseling offices to serve Laughlin, Mesquite and Boulder City.
With funding from the new federal program, “Violence Against Women Act”, Safe Nest starts the Crisis Response Team to go out on calls with LV Metro Police.
- **1998**—With funding from the Andre Agassi Foundation, Safe Nest starts a partnership with Child Protection Services (CPS) to go out on CPS calls involving domestic violence and children.
- **1999**—Safe Nest expands its partnership with police by hiring victim advocates to work within the police departments in North Las Vegas, Boulder City, and Mesquite.
- **2002**—Safe Nest shelter expands to over 100 beds, with the completion of its new building, funded by Clark County CDBG funds (Community Development Block Funds from HUD).
Safe Nest commemorates its 25th Anniversary.
Safe Nest starts its Interfaith Task Force Project to partner with the religious community
- **2004**—In its 27th year, Safe Nest’s domestic violence hotline receives over 27,000 crisis calls, and provides victim services to over 40,000 individuals during the year.