



# The Gateway Center

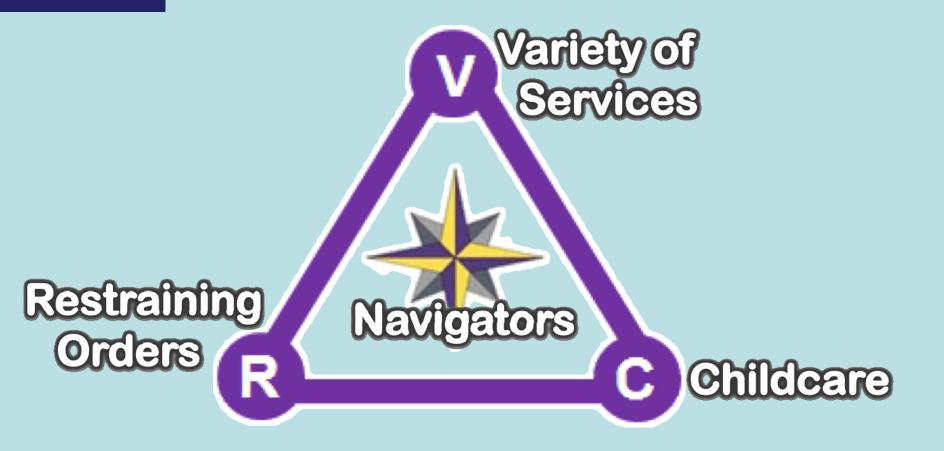
FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES



# What makes the Gateway Center Special?

- ❖Opened in Fall of 2010, the Gateway Center is a result of partnership between the City of Portland and Multnomah County, with support from a wide range of agencies.
- **❖It's a one-stop shop where community-based services, criminal justice services, and civil legal assistance are co-located.**
- **❖**Safe, welcoming, "homey" center supports help-seeking and reduces trauma.
- Public, published, known address improves access to and visibility of services.
- \*Located right on the max line on 102<sup>nd</sup> and East Burnside, the Center is easily accessible on public transportation.







- The Child Care is extremely welcoming and easy to access.
- This is a crucial feature for many participants. For some, access to services would be virtually impossible without it.
- Funding provided by the Portland Children's Levy makes this critical service possible.



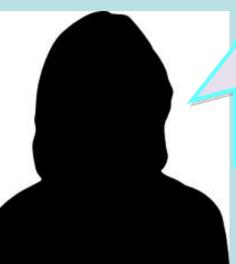


## Lessons Learned #1 Children's Services

- Beyond the childcare, there are other supportive and therapeutic services for children at the Gateway Center.
- Advocates from VOA Home Free facilitate support groups for children and teens, provide one-on-one advocacy and offer parenting support and coaching.
- A therapist from Impact NW does therapy with parents and children together to mitigate the impacts of exposure to violence.







"Thank you for helping me take action to keep me and my children safe."

~ June 7, 2012

"I truly appreciate everyone's understanding and being so caring about my situation. Having the childcare really helped distract my child and made it easier for me to continue with the process."

~ May 11, 2011





# 4 Keys Components #2: Navigators

Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization Catholic Charities: UNICA El Programa Hispano

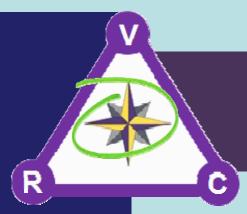
Ecumenical Ministries: ROSS Russian Oregon Social Services

**YWCA** 

NAYA
Native American
Youth and
Family Center

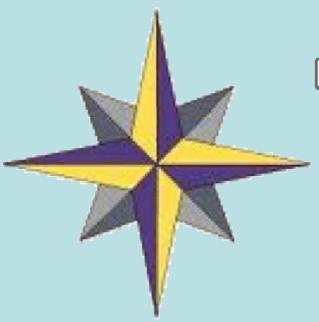
Navigators (8 Languages)

Bradley Angle Healing Roots Center



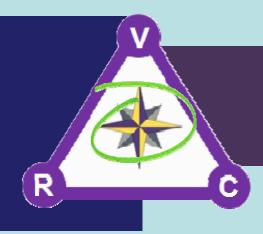
## 4 Key Components #2: Navigators

All participants
meet first
with a navigator
(advocate)



Help participants
access other
services in the
building &
elsewhere.

Provides
Safety planning
Danger assessment
Needs assessment



# Lessons Learned #2... Drop-In Services Matter

- The Navigators work EXCLUSIVELY on a drop-in basis
- •In focus groups with partners and survivors the convenience of drop-in services was emphasized again and again
- In the last year, 2119 new adult survivors "dropped in" for services at the Center
- In 2012, fully 80% of all visits were drop-in visits. Only 20% of visitors were returning for appointments.





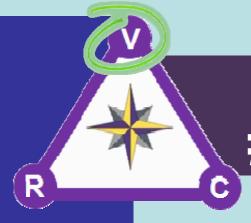
"My navigator was so helpful today. I am very thankful and will be safe tonight.

Thank you!" ~ March 21, 2012

"My navigator was awesome. She was on top of everything. I got a lot of things done that I've been trying for months to do. I'm very very impressed."

~ October 25, 2011





# 4 Key Components #3: Variety of Services

Legal Aid Services of Oregon (LASO) -Portland Regional Office VOA Home Free
Child and teen advocacy
and support groups

Impact NW
Therapeutic services for children
and their parents

Life Works NW mental health and A & D assessments and shortterm counseling

**District Attorney's Office** Help with prosecution and criminal justice DVERT
(Domestic Violence
Enhanced Response
Team)

Portland Police Bureau
(Domestic Violence Reduction
Unit)
police reports and
investigations

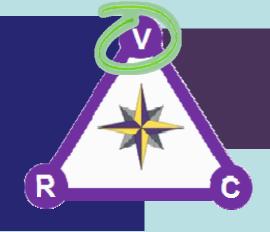
ARMS spiritual support services

Multnomah County
Sherriff's Office
Provides an ESO for

Provides an FSO for security

DHS Self-Sufficiency TANF, OHP, domestic violence grants Multnomah County
Circuit Court

Restraining Order
Applications
Video-conferencing



# Lessons Learned #3: High-Demand Services\*

\*Navigators are in the highest demand (3688 visits)

### **Economic Relief**

(Oregon Department of Human Services — Self Sufficiency)

- 721 visits to the DHS Office
- Many services only available to those with children

### Civil Legal

(Legal Aid Services of Oregon — Portland Regional Office)

- 570 visits to the legal aid office (which operates 2 days a week)
- Consultation on wide variety of topics

# Mental Health (LifeWorks NW)

- 422 visits with the mental health provider
- Non-stigmatizing place to access mental health services



"To have so many needed and necessary services available in one place is wonderful. The staff helped me with things I didn't even know I needed help with. It was a wonderful experience."

~ February 14, 2012

"You have made a bad experience into an informational experience with resources to get my life back on track. Thank you!"

~ August 10, 2012





- •969 Restraining Order Applications were filed in the second year (compared to 557 filed in the first year.
- •Gateway Center applications represent approximately 40% of those filed in Multnomah County in same period.
- •Multnomah County was one of only a few judicial districts in the State of Oregon that experienced an increase in the volume of applications in 2011 over the previous year.





"I appreciate the help the Gateway Center gave me with my restraining order. I don't have a lot of energy and they really helped me smoothly through the process."

~ August 16, 2012

"My navigator made me feel relaxed and safe even when filling out a restraining order which is stressful. Thank you."

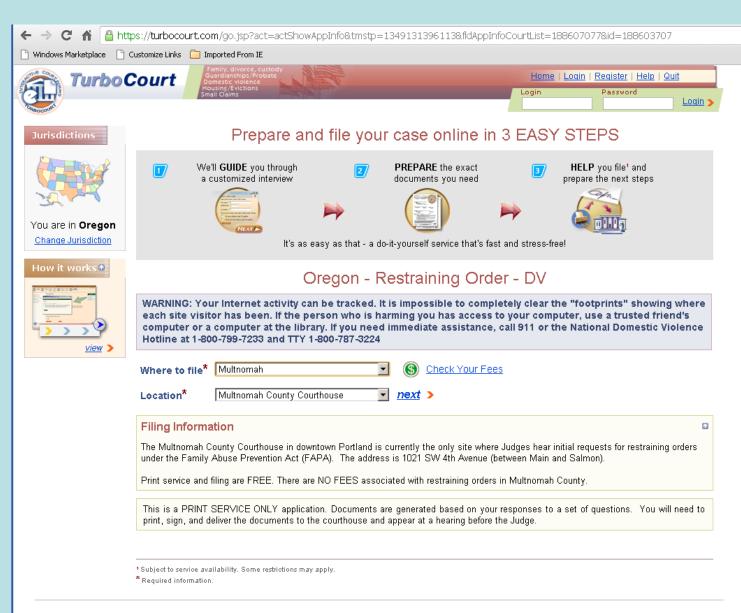
~ April 7, 2011



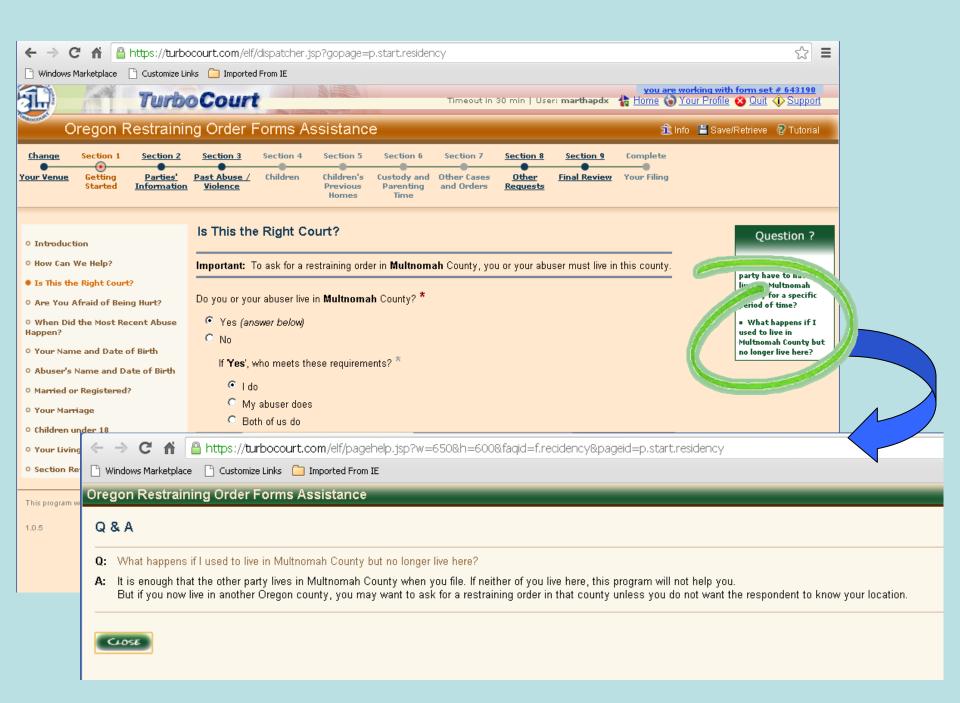


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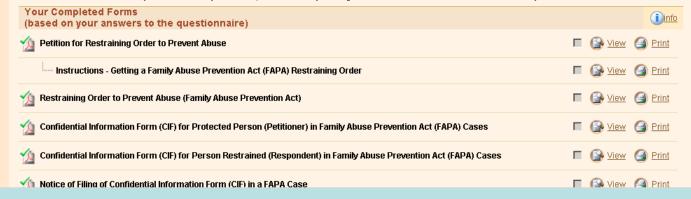
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#### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON COUNTY OF MULTNOMAH

Melissa Rockbottom	See CIF )	Case No.
Petitioner (your full name)	(date of birth) )	
	)	PETITION FOR RESTRAINING ORDER
v.	)	TO PREVENT ABUSE
	)	(Family Abuse Prevention Act)
	)	ORS 107.700 - 107.735
Harry Humbug	See CIF	
Respondent	(date of birth) )	
(full name of person restrained).	)	

#### NOTICE TO PETITIONER

You must provide complete and truthful information. If you do not, the court may dismiss any restraining order and may also hold you in contempt.

<u>Contact Address and Telephone Number</u>: If you wish to have your residential address or telephone number withheld from Respondent, use a contact address and telephone number so the court and the sheriff can reach you if necessary.

#### NOTICE TO PETITIONER

You must keep certain information ("confidential personal information") out of any papers you file or submit to the court and, instead, provide that information in a Confidential Information Form (CIF). On this document, where that confidential personal information would otherwise appear, you must provide that in a Confidential Information Form (CIF) under UTCR 2.130 (see instructions).

I am the Petitioner and I state that the following information is true:							
I am a	resident of Multnomah	County, State of OR	. I a	m 35	years old.		
Respondent is a resident of Multnomah County, State of OR							
Respo	ondent is 40 years old.						
☐ At the hearing, I will need an interpreter in the language.							
☐ At the hearing, I will need American's with Disabilities Act accommodations.							
1. C	HECK and FILL OUT ALL THAT	APPLY:					
	A. Respondent is my spouse/do married/registered on 07/01/1999 (date).						
	B. Respondent and I are adults related by blood, marriage, or adoption. Respondent is my (type of relationship).						
	C. Respondent and I have been col- (date), or col-						
	D. Respondent and I have been inv	olved in a sexually intima	te relationship withi	n the last two	years.		
	E. Respondent and I are the unmar	ried parents of a child.					
DETER	F. I am a minor and have been involved in a sexually intimate relationship with Respondent, who is 18 years of age or older.						

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