



**1977**-SafeNest begins its incorporated existence as “Temporary Assistance for Women” (TAW).

**1978** – SafeNest opens the first shelter in Southern Nevada for abused women and children and launches the 24-hour Hotline.

**1981**-The Nevada Legislature votes to allocate \$5 from each marriage license to fund domestic violence 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 the name publicly. Safe Nest opens a shelter in North Las Vegas expanding housing capacity to 67 beds.

**1997** -SafeNest opens additional counseling offices to serve Laughlin, Mesquite and Boulder City. The newly enacted Violence Against Women Act funds Safe Nest's Crisis Response Team to work with Las Vegas police.

**1998** -With funding from the Andre Agassi Foundation, SafeNest starts a partnership with Child Protection Services (CPS) to go out on CPS calls involving domestic violence and children.



**1999** -SafeNest expands its partnership with the Las Vegas police by hiring victim advocates to work with the police departments in North Las Vegas, Boulder City, and Mesquite.

**2002** -SafeNest 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 starts its Interfaith Task Force Project to partner with the religious community.

**2006** -SafeNest launches its first Capital Campaign in its 30-year history. Mutual of America Foundation recognizes Safe Nest with the Community Partnership award for its innovation.

**2008** -SafeNest partners with the County District Attorney's (DA) office by placing two Domestic Violence advocates at the DA's office.

**2009** -SafeNest partners with the Las Vegas Metro Police Department to implement the Lethality Assessment Project. The NV Legislature allocates an additional \$5 from each marriage license and a certified copy to fund Domestic Violence programs.

**2010** - SafeNest secures a 5-acre parcel at Smoke Ranch & Decatur for a future Services Center.

**2012** - SafeNest celebrates 35 years of service.

**2015** – The Women’s Health Association of Southern Nevada (WHASN) establishes patient screening for domestic violence abuse.

**2016** – Development and launch of the SafeNest Teen Dating Violence Campaign.

**2017** - SafeNest celebrates 40 years of service and moves to the new location at 3900 Meadows Lane. Liz Ortenburger assumes the role of Chief Executive Officer.