WAYS YOU CAN HELP SURVIVORS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1. Believe them.
2. Reassure them that the abuse is not their fault.
3. Listen to what they are saying.
4. Encourage them to speak with an advocate about safety planning.
5. Respect the decisions they make.
6. Ask what type of support would be helpful.
7. Provide a safe time and place for them to share their story.
8. Don’t assume they will end the relationship and don’t pressure them to do so.
9. Maintain their privacy. Don’t talk negatively about them or their abuser in public or online.
10. Supporting someone who is struggling can be difficult; know that you deserve support as well. Domestic violence resources are available.

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If you, or someone you know, is experiencing domestic violence, Sojourner Family Peace Center is here to help. You’ll find all the support and resources you need under one roof.

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