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Cape Cod's leading resource, counseling and advocacy center to address and prevent domestic and sexual violence.

Promoting safe and healthy relationships

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Reasons People Don't Leave Abusive Relationships

- Emotional Dependency
 - Fear
 - Children
- Lack of Money or Resources
 - Love
 - Blame
 - Addiction
 - Threats
 - Disability
- Illegal Immigration
 - Full shelters
 - No place else to go
 - Isolation
- No one believes them
- It is not the right time
- Risk of sexual orientation being outed/exposed
 - Victimization by police and courts
 - Abuser is primary support system