

National Women's Shelter Network

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Who We Are

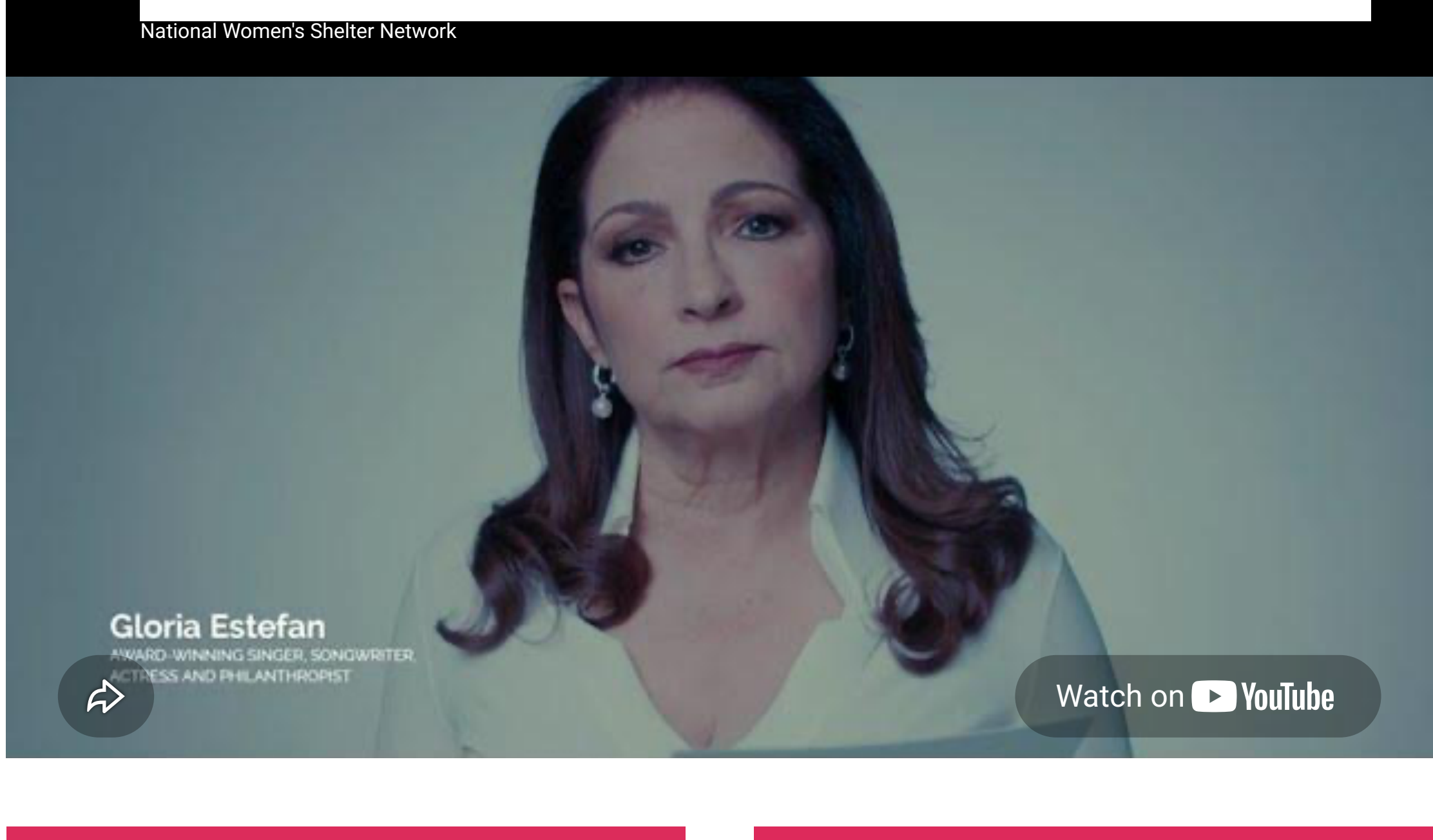
SHELTERS AND SAFE HAVENS UNITED FOR WOMEN, CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES

The National Women's Shelter Network is a growing network of shelters and safe havens programs and national, regional, state and local networks, associations and coalitions and allies across the country serving women, children, youth and families who are amongst the most vulnerable in our country. Our shared mission is to advance the status of women, children, youth and families experiencing homelessness and bring an end to homelessness. We help our members save and change lives. Many of the women, children, youth and families we serve have suffered violence and other serious trauma histories. Most have unmet medical and mental health needs. All are struggling to survive, heal, learn, grow and thrive, keep their families intact and alive, and too often fleeing domestic or intimate partner violence.

No one should ever be forced to live on the streets or remain in abusive circumstances because they lack safe, supportive shelter.

Shelters and safe havens programs are the last resort and final safety net for millions of women, children, youth and families in transition every year with little to no means. With enriched supportive services and resources, the NWSN and its members transform the trauma of homelessness into windows of opportunity for women, children, youth and families to build safer, brighter futures. Join us in our movement to end and prevent homelessness. You can make a difference!

Learn More



MISSION

Our mission is to help women, children, youth and families experiencing or at risk of homelessness, and the shelters and safe haven programs that serve them to build safer, brighter futures and bring an end to and prevent homelessness in our country. We save and change lives, transforming the trauma of homelessness into windows of opportunity.

VISION

A world of safety, health, well-being, love, and respect, where women, children, youth and families will have a safe home and in times of transition, trauma informed shelter and safe havens with deep protective factors, to assure they can heal, grow, thrive and blossom into who they are meant to be.

We help women, children, youth and families experiencing or at risk of homelessness find shelter, supportive services and resources via our network; elevating the voices of women with lived experience and the shelters and safe havens that serve them across the nation; sharing information, innovation, best practices and research; providing education, trainings, and capacity building; identifying gaps and needs and developing informed public and social policies; raising public awareness of the special needs of women, children, youth and families experiencing homelessness and the shelters and safe haven programs that serve them; advocating for more resources; and advancing meaningful solutions to end and prevent homelessness. We recognize the solutions to ending and preventing homelessness are founded on equity for women and their children and an engine of social and economic prosperity for all.

Need Help?

Find an NWSN Member near you in our Network Shelter Directory.

Get Involved

Learn more about how you can help.

Become a Member

See all the benefits of being a Network Member.

Donate Now

Help the Network advance the status of women, children and families.

How We Help

SAVING AND CHANGING LIVES OF THE MOST VULNERABLE

The National Women's Shelter Network is focused on saving and changing the lives of the women, children, youth and families experiencing homelessness in our country and the shelters and safe haven programs that serve them. NWSN programs provide a wide range of support to our members and in turn the women, children, youth and families they serve through resources, information sharing, education, training, advancing standards of care, and advocacy.

Learn More

Supporting Shelters and Safe Havens in Local Communities Across the Country

Advancing Standards of Care, Education, Training & Capacity Building

Funding and Resources to End and Prevent Homelessness

Free/Discounted Goods & Services

Building Shared Community

Disaster Relief

Public Policy, Infographics & Reports

Comprehensive Resource Library

Latest News and Advocacy Alerts

THE IMPACT OF OUR NETWORK IN VULNERABLE LIVES TOUCHED

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Shelter Bed Nights Available Annually

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Nourishing Meals Served Annually

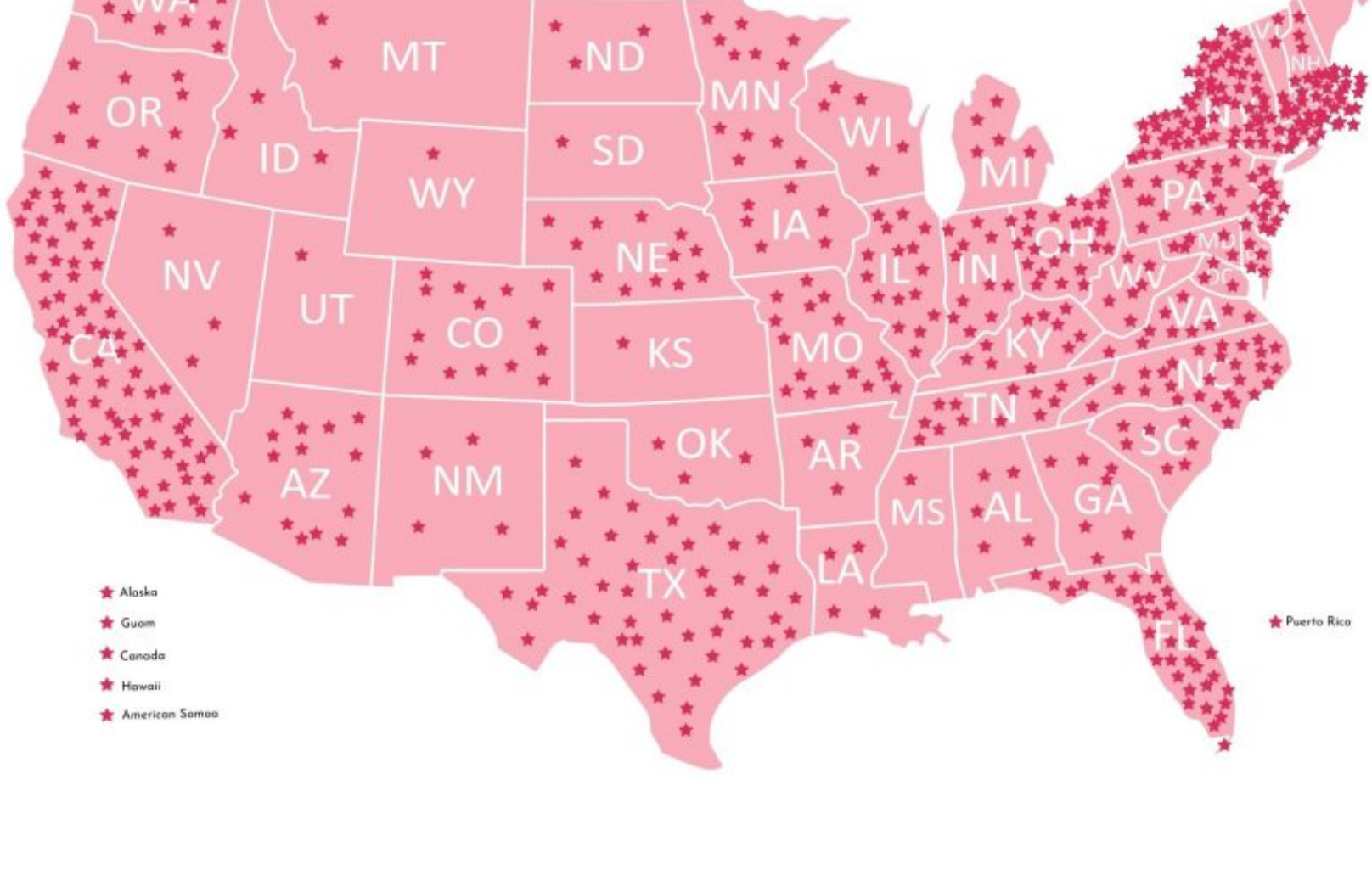
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Women, Children, Youth, and Families Sheltered Annually

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Counseling Sessions Annually

Our Members



NEED HELP?

Find a Network shelter near you with the NWSN Shelter Directory.

NWSN Directory

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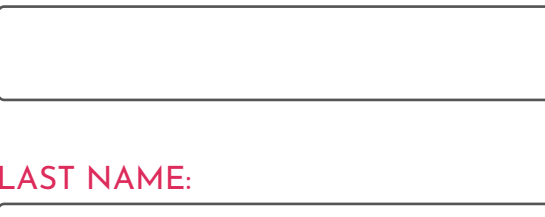
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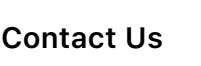
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