



Sometimes the problem is resources, not resourcefulness

Please Help

California Women Empowering Women provides desperately needed resources and funding to accomplish a dual-mission: first, equip SARTs (Sexual Assault Response Teams) with the equipment and resources they need to continue their great work with survivors of sexual assault; second, we raise funding and awareness to clear the backlog of untested DNA evidence kits from unsolved sexual assaults in California, thereby bringing rapists to justice and providing some closure for survivors and their families.

Did You Know?

Critical DNA evidence collected from survivors of sexual assaults is placed in a sexual assault kit. This DNA evidence, once tested, is cross-checked against a database containing DNA fingerprints of violent criminals and rapists; making it possible to identify and prosecute attackers. Tens of thousands of these kits are going untested in California; Leaving rapists free to hurt others.

Unfortunately due to inadequate funding and lack of legislation, in California the backlog can be years before this evidence is tested, if ever. We aim to solve this problem by providing funding to assure that no kit go untested.

Donations

95%

Goes directly towards benefiting our mission
Only 5% is spent in fundraising

There are many states in the United States where it is mandated to test each sexual assault test kit for DNA evidence; California is not one of them.



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Programs

At CAWEW, we support our dual-mission of providing resources to assist SART programs in the great work that they do while furthering efforts to assure that every sexual assault kit is tested

SART

Sexual Assault Response Teams are the first responders of sexual assault. Their trained staff of forensic nurses administer treatment to heal wounds and collect DNA evidence after a sexual assault. When tested, this evidence can bring criminals to justice and provide closure to survivors and their families.

They also provide:

- access to counseling
- hot showers
- clean clothing
- toys for younger survivors

DNA Testing

With all the great work that SART programs are doing in our communities and after everything that a survivor must endure, it is hard to imagine that the evidence collected often goes untested for years while criminals are free to rape again and again.

Did you know?

A rapist will rape five times on average before being brought to justice.

We Need Your Help

In order to continue our mission we need your help. Please consider how much your donation will help empower the life of a survivor of sexual assault.

Working together we can help prevent future sexual crimes against women and children and bring justice and closure to the survivors and their families.

Donate Today

Online: <http://www.cawew.org>

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If your donation requires special attention, please call us.

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Fact:

At SART programs:

Many of the victims of sexual assault are children