

Dear Community Member,

Thank you for considering the real and positive impact you can make in the lives of Central Kentucky older adults with a tax-deductible monetary donation or in-kind contribution to support the Bluegrass Elder Abuse Prevention Council (EAPC).

As one of 28 local coordinating councils found statewide, the Bluegrass EAPC provides community education while promoting inter-agency collaboration to prevent elder abuse, neglect and exploitation. A committee of the Bluegrass Aging Consortium, the Bluegrass EAPC is comprised of both professionals and concerned citizens.

***Know the facts.***

<sup>1</sup>Each year nearly 10,000 older Kentuckians are reported to experience the private humiliation and pain of abusive, neglectful or exploitative situations. <sup>2</sup>Yet incredibly, 13 out of 14 abusive and neglectful instances and 24 out of 25 financial exploitative cases are estimated to remain hidden crimes, concealed within the family and inside the home where they are most often committed by or with the knowledge of family members. Even when suspected or recognized by others, most abusive, neglectful and exploitative situations remain unreported.

***Take responsibility.***

In Kentucky, we are all mandated reporters (KRS 209.030). If you suspect or know that an elder is being mistreated, living in neglect or being exploited, make the report, anonymously if you prefer.

Call the 24/7 Kentucky Elder Abuse Hotline at (800-752-6200).

Speak with a Long-term Care Ombudsman at (800-372-2991).

Notify (911).

Report online - <https://prd.chfs.ky.gov/ReportAbuse/Home.aspx>.

*Join our Bluegrass Elder Abuse Prevention Council efforts.*  
*Your tax-deductible monetary donation or in-kind contribution makes on-going community education possible.*

*Your invitation for us to provide programs for your civic organization, work location, faith community or other group setting helps break the silence and shed the light on elder abuse, neglect and exploitation.*

We welcome any opportunity to provide more information about our programs. To contact us, make a tax-deductible in-kind contribution or to schedule a guest speaker, please contact Bill Hughes, Chairman, at [bluegrassEAPC@gmail.com](mailto:bluegrassEAPC@gmail.com) or 859-313-5167.

**To make a tax-deductible monetary gift, please make your check payable to the Bluegrass Aging Consortium, referencing Bluegrass EAPC on the memo line. Mail to: Bluegrass EAPC, c/o Accessible Home Health Care, 3150 Custer Dr., Ste 303, Lexington, KY, 40517.**

We thank you for your interest, indispensable support and invaluable compassion.

*The Bluegrass Elder Abuse Prevention Council*

<sup>1</sup>*Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Elder Abuse Awareness, <http://chfs.ky.gov/dcbs/dpp/ea/>.*

<sup>2</sup>*Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Statistics, <http://chfs.ky.gov/dcbs/dpp/ea/statistics.htm>.*

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