The National Center on Elder Abuse reports that one in ten seniors are victims of elder abuse. This is likely to be an underestimation, as only 1 in 24 cases of elder abuse is reported, in part because older people are often afraid to report cases of abuse to family, friends, or to the authorities.

**Who are the abusers?**
- Abusers can be men or women
- Approximately 2/3 of abusers are family members.
- Abusers can be caregivers in any setting.
- Many times, abusers have a history of alcohol, drug or other abuse, or they may suffer from mental illness.
- Abusers exert excessive control over their victims.

The abused have a 300% higher risk of death, as a consequence of abuse. Other consequences include isolation, intimidation, mental anguish, physical pain and financial ruin.

**There is HOPE...**
- Help is available.
- The Elder Justice Center is a safe space for elderly victims of crime, abuse, violence and/or trauma.

“At Eliza Bryant Village we believe aged adults have the right to live in a safe and secure environment where they are treated with dignity and respect.”

- Danny R. Williams, JD, MNO, LNHA, President & CEO

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According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, elder abuse is an intentional act or failure to act by a caregiver or another person in a relationship involving an expectation of trust that causes or creates a risk of harm to an older adult.

Physical: Use of force causing pain or injury; inappropriate use of medications or physical restraints.

Sexual: Non-consensual sexual contact.

Psychological: Mistreatment that affects emotional or mental health, intimidation, threats, harassment, humiliation, isolation, or belittlement.

Neglect: Deprivation of food, clothing, shelter, medicine or personal hygiene. Self-neglect involves seniors or adults with disabilities who fail to meet their own essential physical, psychological or social needs, which threatens their health, safety and well-being.

Financial Exploitation: Misuse of money, property, or resources

What is elder abuse?

We envision a world where:
- Older adults are safe, valued and connected.
- Individuals and professionals are equipped to respond to older adults’ unique strengths and vulnerabilities.
- Systems are designed to support empowered aging.
- The voices of older adults continue to inform our work.

The innovative Eliza Bryant Village Elder Justice Center is the only provider of these unique and needed services in Ohio.

Mission:
To provide quality services, outreach programs and a dignified, compassionate and secure living environment for seniors.

Admission Criteria
- 62 years of age or older
- Experienced one or more of the following types of abuse (physical, sexual, psychological, financial) or is at risk for experiencing such abuse.
- Referred to the Elder Justice Center by a community or governmental organization.
- In need of a temporary safe space and agrees to be placed in a temporary safe space.
- Victim will not contact alleged abuser through any form of communication during stay.
- Victim will keep shelter location confidential.

SPRiNG Alliance
Shelter Partners: Regional. National. Global
The mission of the SPRiNG Alliance is to create a network of regional elder abuse shelters and other similar service models with close working relationships, shared resources and technical assistance, common standards of excellence and a vibrant community of support.

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