

ALABAMA AGING NETWORK

Area Agencies
on Aging
(AAA) covers
all 67 counties

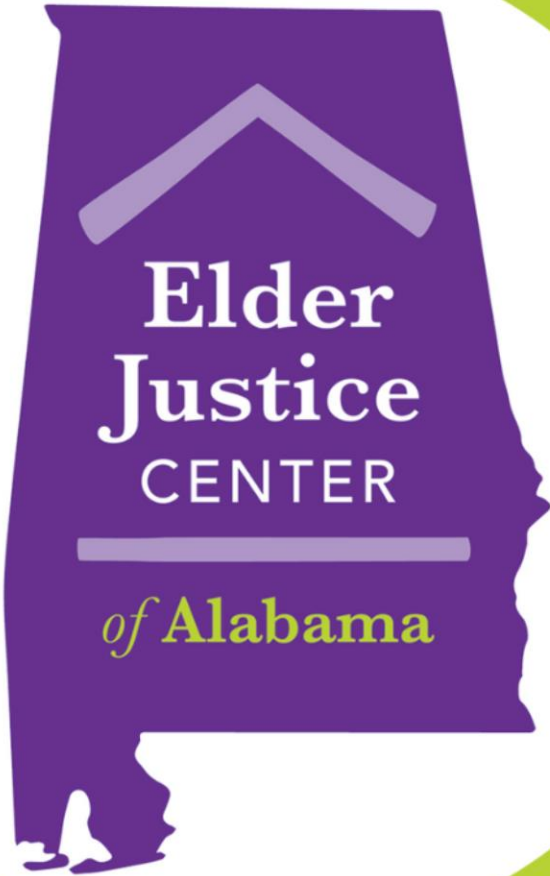


ADULT AND DISABILITY SERVICES



SERVICES

NUTRITIOUS MEALS
HOME-COMMUNITY
BASED SERVICES
INSURANCE
COUNSELING
PRESCRIPTION
ASSISTANCE
CAREGIVER SUPPORT
LEGAL SERVICES
LTC OMBUDSMAN
SENIOR EMPLOYMENT
SPECIAL PROJECTS



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GET THE FACTS ABOUT ELDER ABUSE

EMOTIONAL
ABUSE

FINANCIAL
EXPLOITATION

NEGLECT

PHYSICAL
ABUSE

SEXUAL ABUSE

SELF NEGLECT

THE PROBLEM AS WE KNOW IT

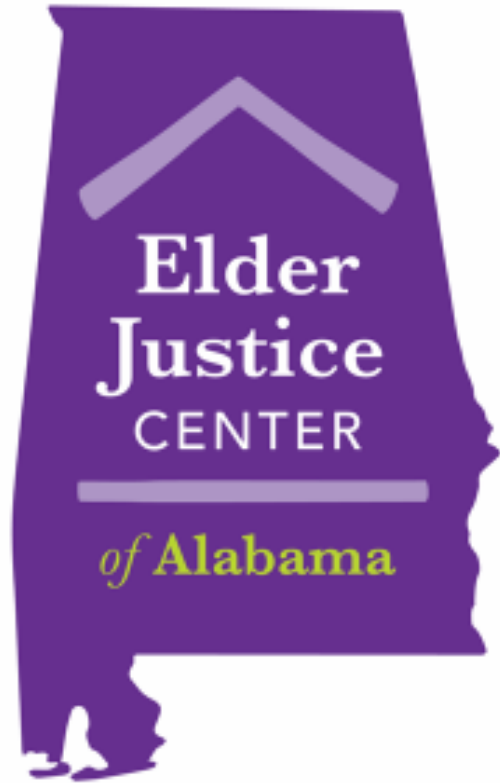
- 1 in every 10 people 60 + who live at home has suffered some form of abuse.
- 50% of adults with dementia suffered some form of abuse by their caregiver.
- Cognitive impairment reduces financial capacity = increased risk of financial exploitation.
- The mortality rate is 3 times higher (300%) for a victim.
- About two-thirds of elder abuse victims are women.
- For every 1 case of elder abuse that comes to light, another 23 remain hidden.

GAP: THE LACK OF REPORTING

- One Alabama County reported 690 cases of alleged abuse for FY2021. If 24 cases are unreported for every reported case, that means there were approximately 17,250 cases of alleged abuse in this County. Additionally, as reported by this same agency, family members were the abuser in 77% of these APS cases.
- Alabama DHR reported there were 9,400 alleged cases of elder abuse in FY2021. If we do the math using the other 23 potential cases NOT reported, it is fair to estimate there were at least 216,200 “alleged” cases for this same timeframe (**almost a quarter million**).

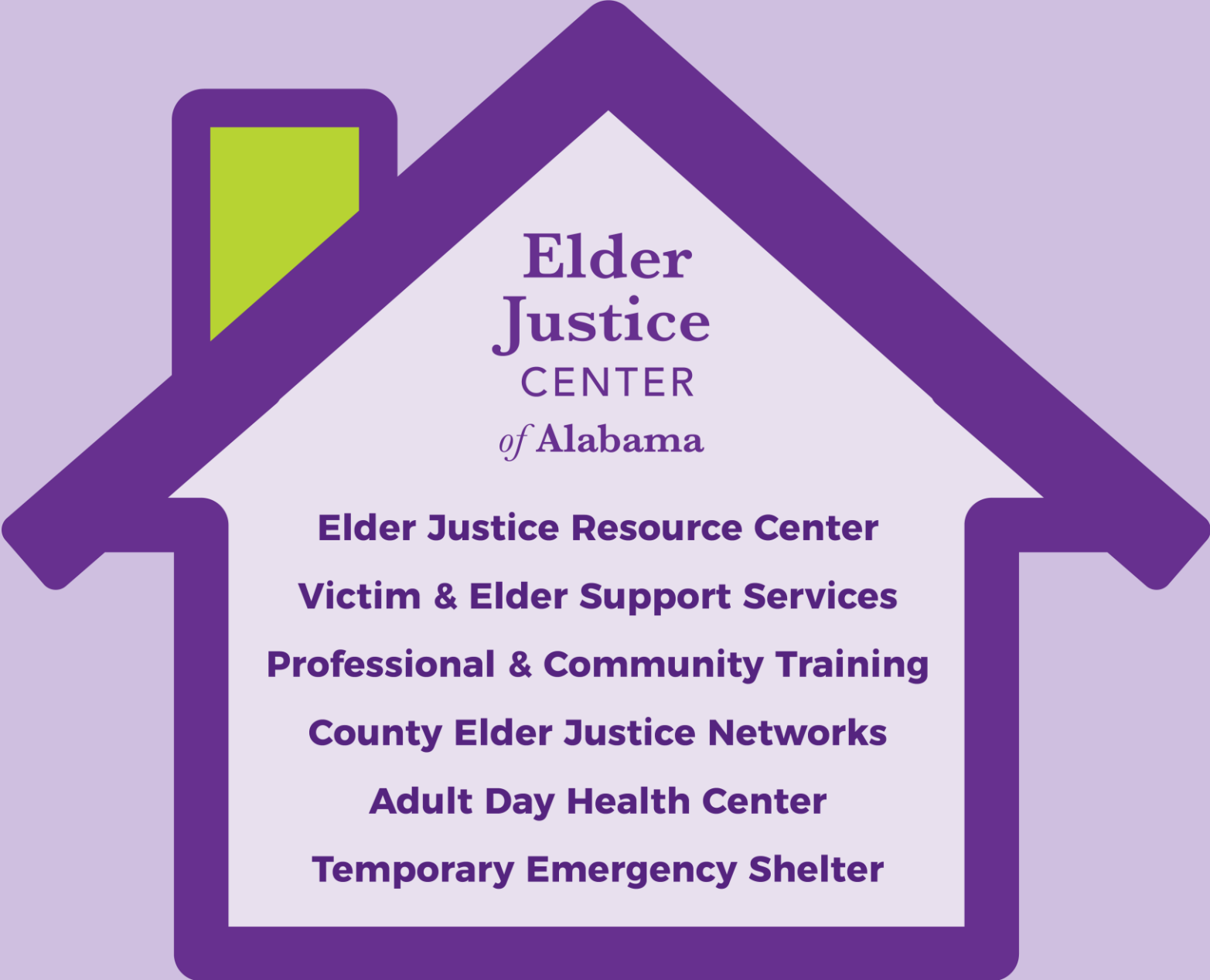
“As a preventive measure, people can become better *prepared*. We do a lot to *prepare* people to become parents of children but little to *prepare* children to care for parents as they age.”

How Can WE Better Prepare People?



MISSION OF THE ELDER JUSTICE CENTER

To mobilize communities to prevent and properly respond to adult mistreatment so people can live with dignity, security, and independence as they age.



**Elder
Justice**
CENTER
of Alabama

Elder Justice Resource Center
Victim & Elder Support Services
Professional & Community Training
County Elder Justice Networks
Adult Day Health Center
Temporary Emergency Shelter

DIRECT SERVICES/PERSON-CENTERED INTERVENTIONS

- Person-Centered/(Wrap Around) Care Plans
- Legal Assistance
- Counseling Services (Trauma Informed)
- Continuous Follow Up (1, 3, 6 month)
- Direct Services for Caregivers (Evidence Based Interventions, Respite)
- Expand our Adult Day Program
- Emergency Shelter (Case Management, Clinical, Social Services)

COUNTYWIDE ELDER JUSTICE ALLIANCES

- **Increase** coordination and **improve** collaboration among responders, service providers, and other relevant stakeholders.
- **Improve** the prevention, detection, reporting of, **and response** to elder mistreatment.
- **Deter** elder abuse through community education, professional training, and caregiver support.
- **Serve** as the catalyst for new networks to ensure statewide coverage.

THE BEST DAYS

ADULT DAY PROGRAM



SERVICES PROVIDED:

Social Activities
Arts & Crafts
Health Care Monitoring
Breakfast, Lunch, & Snack
Podiatry (Foot Care) Services
Daily Exercise
Caregiver Support,
Counseling & Education

TUESDAYS - THURSDAYS

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

at the EJC of Alabama

4804 Highway 25
Montevallo, AL 35115

Elder Justice Center of AL

501c3 Non-Profit

205-490-8448

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Montevallo, AL**

www.elderjusticeal.org

**Our goal is to
provide the
"BEST DAYS"
for your loved
one and
respite for
caregivers.**



**ASSISTING
ALL AGES AT
ALL STAGES**



LOCAL/STATEWIDE EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- Law Enforcement Training
- Dementia Friendly Training
- Medical Professional Training
(UAB partnership)
- Offer Hybrid Training
- Monthly Caregiver Support
Groups

HOW CAN WE HELP CLIENTS?

- Help them navigate their caregiving journey.
- If they are experiencing mistreatment.
- In need of aging-related education.
- In need of M4A services.

HOW CAN YOU SUPPORT THE EJC AND OUR ELDERS?

- Learn more about elder abuse. Report it!
- Refer residents to the EJC.
- Share our resources.
- Make a financial donation.

WHERE TO REPORT SUSPECTED ABUSE:

Department of Human Resources (DHR):
Adult Protective Services

(800) 458-7214

Aps@dhr.alabama.gov

REPORTS CAN BE MADE ANONYMOUSLY

SAVE THE DATE!

**2023 WORLD
ELDER ABUSE
AWARENESS DAY
COMMUNITY
RESOURCE
FAIR**



**LEARN
ABOUT HOW
TO AVOID
FINANCIAL
SCAMS**

**JUNE 15,
2023**

**9AM-1PM
LOCATION
TBD**

**SPEAKERS,
VENDORS,
LUNCH
PROVIDED,
DOOR PRIZES**

HOSTED BY

- MIDDLE ALABAMA AREA AGENCY ON AGING
- ALABAMA SECURITIES COMMISSION
- DHR SHELBY COUNTY

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH

ELDER JUSTICE ALLIANCE OF SHELBY COUNTY

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