



# PLACER COUNTY PROTECT

Providing Resources & Outreach To Elderly Citizens Together

# Multi-disciplinary Elder Abuse Task Force Team



## Public Agencies:

- Adult Protective Services
- Community Care Licensing
- Long Term Care Ombudsman
- Placer County Chaplaincy
- Placer County Public Health
- Placer County Veteran's Office
- Public Administrator
- Public Guardian
- Senior Peer Counseling

## Law Enforcement:

- Auburn Police Department
- California Highway Patrol
- DOJ- Bureau of Medicare Fraud and Elder Abuse
- Lincoln Police Department
- Placer County District Attorney's Office
- Placer County Probation
- Placer County Sheriff's Office
- Rocklin Police Department
- Roseville Police Department

## Non-Profits:

- Alta regional Center
- Alzheimer's Association
- California health Collaborative
- Legal Services of Northern California
- Seniors First
- Stand Up Placer

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# GOALS



- Assist senior citizens who have been victimized
  - Case reviews
  - Provide an individualized response to the elder's crisis
  - Wrap around services

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# What is Elder Abuse?

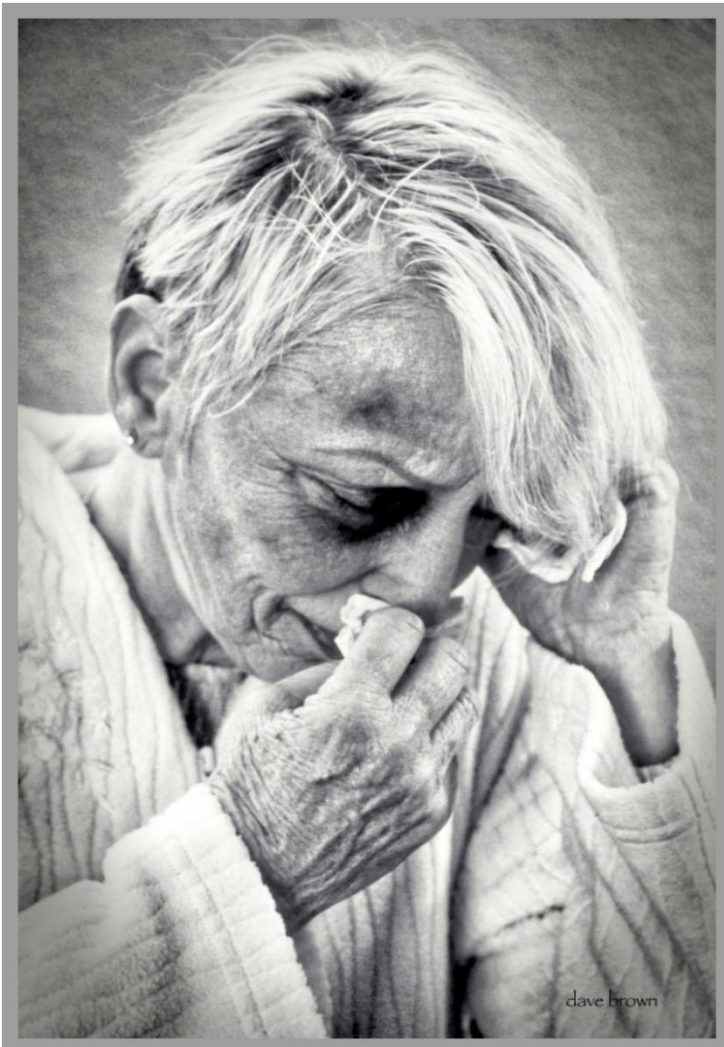
- Elder Statutes Apply to...
  - Elder Adults – 65+ at time of crime
- Elder Abuse is...
  - Physical
  - Financial
  - Neglect

# Case Example



## Eleanor

- 82 year old required her son to provide care
  - Transportation
  - Dressed & shower
  - Grocery shopping & medication
- When she confronted him about stealing from her bank account he brutally assaults her
- Son is arrested
- Victim is without a caregiver



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## **Law Enforcement**

- **Arrest Defendant**
- **Emergency Protective Order**
- **File case with DA's office**
- **Review for charging**



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# **Criminal Prosecution**

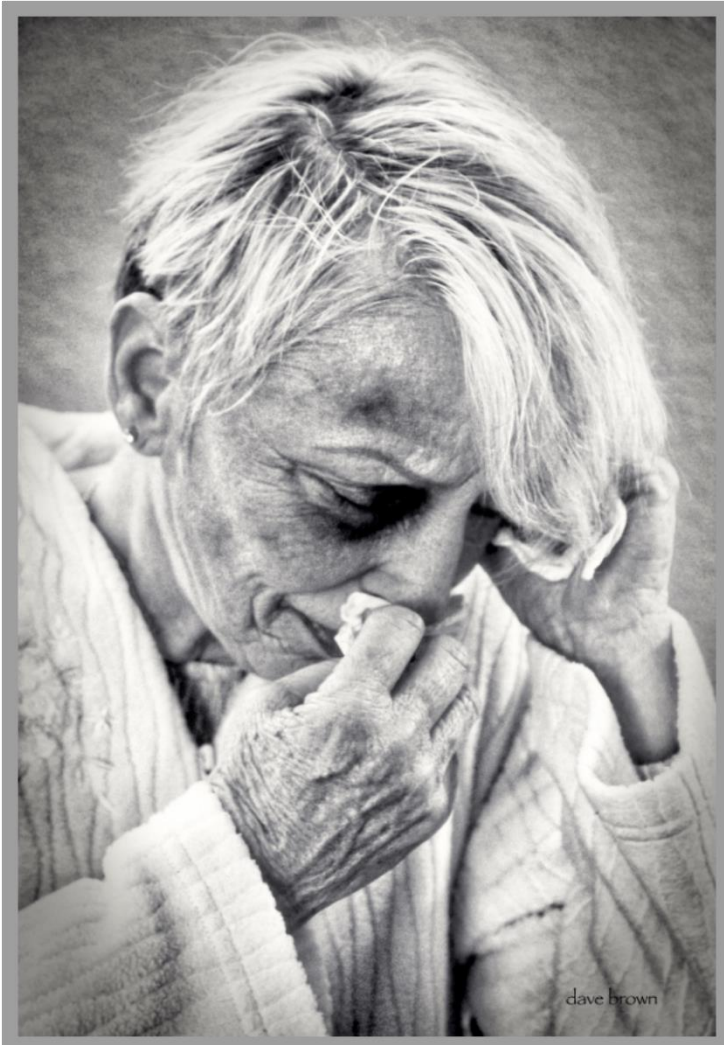
- **Criminal Charges**
  - File a case
  - Protective order
- **Victim Advocate**
  - Service
  - Civil restraining order
  - Restitution
  - Sentencing

# Case Example



## Eleanor

- APS – help protect her finances & arrange for another caregiver
- Victim advocate – found a locksmith
- Seniors First – provided meals & transportation
- Senior Peer Counseling – provided services
- District Attorney's Office – filed charges & obtained a protective order



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**What about cases without a crime?**

**PROTECT team can still get involved**



Ernie

- Elderly man – with dementia found wondering the streets
- At hospital
  - Confused
  - Can't identify himself
  - Doesn't want to eat
  - Upset – physically
  - Assaults a nurse



## Ernie

- Law Enforcement – identify the senior
  - 93 year old Veteran living out of a truck
- APS – find appropriate housing
- Veteran's Services – medical care, medication, housing
- Placer County Chaplaincy – to sit, talk, and pray with him.
- Public Guardian – determine if family is protective, seek conservatorship



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# GOALS



- Outreach & Awareness Program
  - SCAMS
    - Fraud Hotline- 916-645-SCAM (7226)
      - Talk to a victim advocate & get answers
    - Email Alert System
      - Fraud alerts
    - Facebook Page
      - Fraud alerts

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# GOALS



- Outreach & Awareness Program
  - PRESENTATIONS
    - In the community
    - In the past 2 years – we have done over 70 presentations
  - Cases from presentations alone...

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# GOALS



- Outreach & Awareness Program
  - RESOURCE DISPLAYS
    - Many of our seniors don't know the resource that are available to them.
    - Maidu Community – every month, different topic





My dad is a  
**U.S. veteran.**

What services does he qualify



Who can help me with my  
**finances?**



What types of  
**legal documents**  
should we have?



My dad is forgetful —  
**How can I help?**



Are you at risk  
of **falling?**

Is Dad's  
house **safe?**



What  
**scams**  
should I  
know about?

How do I  
protect my  
**identity?**

# GOALS



- Resource Event – “Preparing is Caring”
- June 23<sup>rd</sup> 10am-2pm
- Westfield Galleria
  - 1<sup>st</sup> floor
  - Near Sears and Macy’s
- Any questions they have about aging gracefully





**PREPARING  
is CARING**

**Thank you**