Our Mission

Reconstructing Hope... One Person at a Time

Reconstructing Hope is a 501(c)(3) non-profit public charity whose mission is to help victims of domestic violence rid themselves of signs of prior abuse, including--but not limited to--tattoos, burns, scars, broken bones, as well as chipped or missing teeth. These procedures enable survivors to improve their self-confidence, helping to minimize the psychological trauma they endured—and repeat each time they view the physical signs of that violence. As a result, they are able to better move forward and to live more productive lives.

Reconstructing Hope was co-founded in 2011 by triple board certified New York City plastic surgeon Adam Schaffner, M.D., F.A.C.S., and Robert E. Enslein, Jr. During the past four years, the organization has expanded, transforming from a small group of dedicated volunteers into a full-scale charity.

Reconstructing Hope works with plastic surgeons, facial plastic surgeons, oculoplastic surgeons, dermatologists, oral and maxillofacial surgeons, cosmetic dentists and mental health professionals to ensure the best possible treatment is delivered to these survivors. These dedicated healthcare professionals work with the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, the American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery, the American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery and other

professional organizations to ensure the best possible collaboration is occurring between experts of these specialties.

Healthcare professionals who volunteer their services perform the procedures in their offices, unless intravenous sedation or general anesthesia is required. In circumstances where the procedure must be performed in a hospital or surgery center, *Reconstructing Hope* works with the anesthesiologists and surgical facilities to ensure the patient is able to receive the care required.

While *Reconstructing Hope* started as an organization focused on treating victims of domestic violence in the New York City area, in response to requests from across the United States by victims of domestic violence wanting help and healthcare professionals wanting to volunteer, *Reconstructing Hope* is currently in the process of recruiting qualified healthcare professionals from across the United States who desire to volunteer and raising funds to support this expansion.

Our Work

To qualify for treatment through *Reconstructing Hope*, victims must have received the physical injuries from an abusive intimate partner or spouse, must be out of the relationship with the abuser, and must have had contact with a domestic violence advocate, social worker, counselor or therapist a minimum of one time. Services in high demand include tattoo removal, scar removal, repair of broken noses or other facial bones, treatment of burns as well as repair of chipped or missing teeth.

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If you are a licensed healthcare professional and would like to volunteer your services, please visit www.ReconstructingHope.org/Volunteer

If you know of anyone who may benefit from the services of *Reconstructing Hope*, please forward the information to Info@ReconstructingHope.org

If you would like to make a tax deductible contribution to support *Reconstructing Hope*, please visit www.ReconstructingHope.org/Donate

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