Family Violence Law Center helps diverse communities in Alameda County heal from domestic violence and to its housing crisis so that the needs of women, particularly those who are transgender/nonbinary/nonbinary, are met.

Megan, age 17, came to FVLC seeking assistance with relationship abuse. She had an abusive boyfriend who was five years older. He quickly forced her to do things she did not feel comfortable with, including having sex after she had said no. Megan had an after school job where she met her detective, who became her confidant and helped her report the abuse and to seek a restraining order.

With FVLC's support, Megan was able to return to school and get her job back. She felt much safer with a restraining order. FVLC's legal team helped Megan fill out the restraining order paperwork, provided court preparation, and obtained a five year restraining order protecting Megan from her ex-boyfriend. She was able to finish high school, go to college, and get a job.

Megan's family was also affected by the abuse, and they decided to move to a safe place. They sold their house and moved into a small apartment. Megan had to leave her job since her ex-boyfriend harassed and threatened to hurt her family if she did not provide emotional support. She was also afraid for her safety. Megan's family was also affected by the abuse, and they decided to move to a safe place. They sold their house and moved into a small apartment.

Megan's family was able to get a restraining order, but they were still afraid of their ex-boyfriend. They contacted the police, and they were able to get a five year restraining order. Megan was able to finish high school, go to college, and get a job. She was able to live a normal life.

Megan is now 20 years old, and she is working on a new relationship. She is also working on a new job, and she is doing well. She is able to live a normal life, and she is able to help others who are going through the same thing.