

Resources for Abuse Victims

The term “sexual assault” means any nonconsensual sexual act proscribed by Federal, tribal, or State law, including when the victim lacks capacity to consent.



Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network

1-800-656-HOPE (1-800-656-4673)

Advocates are also [available to chat](#) 24/7.

National Center for Victims of Crime

1-855-4-VICTIM (1-855-484-2846)

National Institute of Justice

<https://www.nij.gov/topics/crime/rape-sexual-violence/Pages/welcome.aspx>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

<https://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/sexualviolence/index.html>

Office on Women's Health

<https://www.womenshealth.gov/relationships-and-safety/sexual-assault-and-rape>

Reporting Law Enforcement Sexual Misconduct (PDF)<https://www.justice.gov/file/1312756/download>

Male Survivor: an international organization on male sexual victimization

<http://www.malesurvivor.org>

1 in 6: Direct support for men who have been sexually abused or raped

<https://1in6.org>

RAINN-National sexual assault hotline (this is the same as above)

<http://www.rainn.org>

National Center for Victims of Crime

The National Center for Victims of Crime is a nonprofit organization that advocates for victims' issues, trains professionals who work with victims, and serves as a trusted source of information on victims' rights.

www.victimsofcrime.org

National Sexual Violence Resource Center (NSVRC)

The NSVRC serves as the nation's principle information and resource center regarding all aspects of sexual violence. They maintain a Directory of State and Territory Coalitions, as well as a Directory of Victim/Survivor Support Organizations that provide services to survivors.

www.nsvrc.org

Catholic Whistle Blowers

A network of current and former priests, brothers, deacons, and religious women who actively support survivors of sexual abuse within the Catholic Church. Many of them have reported instances of sexual abuse to civil and/or to church authorities, and they work to expose the cover-up of abuse by church leadership.

www.catholicwhistleblowers.com

POKROV

A resource for survivors of abuse in the Orthodox Churches

www.pokrov.org

The Survivors Network of Those Abused by Priests (SNAP)

SNAP is a national support group for individuals abused by religious authority figures. They maintain a national directory of support groups.

www.snapnetwork.org

Faith Trust Institute

Faith Trust Institute is an international, multi-faith organization working to end sexual and domestic violence. They work with all people regardless of sex, nationality or religious affiliation. They provide communities and advocates with tools and knowledge to address the religious and cultural issues related to sexual abuse.

www.faithtrustinstitute.org

Military Rape Crisis Center

This center is working to put an end to sexual violence in the US Armed Forces. It is a survivor-based organization offering free and confidential support for all active duty personnel.

www.stopmilitaryrape.org

Protect Our Defenders

Protect Our Defenders honors, supports, and gives voice to the brave men and women in uniform who have been raped or sexually assaulted by fellow service members. They seek to fix the military training, investigation, and adjudication systems related to sexual violence, system that often re-victimizes survivors by blaming them while failing to prosecute perpetrators.

www.protectourdefenders.com

Black Sexual Abuse Survivors

The mission of the Black Sexual Abuse Survivors (BSAS) is to serve as an online support group for black, adult males and females who were sexually abused as children. BSAS is a non-professional, not-for-profit, resource.

www.blacksurvivors.org

GLBTQ Domestic Violence Project

This non-profit organization was founded by a gay male survivor of domestic violence. Its mission is to assist and support victims and survivors of domestic violence, focusing on the GLBTQ community, to bring about responsive public policy and to increase access to culturally competent services.

www.glbtqdv.org

FORGE

FORGE is a progressive organization whose mission is to support, educate and advocate for the rights and lives of transgender individuals and SOFFAs (Significant Others, Friends, Family, and Allies). FORGE is dedicated to helping move fragmented communities beyond identity politics and to forge a movement that embraces and empowers our diverse complexities.

<https://forge-forward.org>

<https://takingbackourselves.org/>

Taking Back Ourselves is dedicated to recovery for women survivors of sexual abuse and assault by providing Days of Recovery & Nights of Healing across the country.

<https://menhealing.org/>

MenHealing stands against the historical & ongoing violence being done against Black and Brown Americans.

We stand with those who have been brutalized & silenced.

We will listen.

We will challenge all systemic & institutionalized racism.

MenHealing Board of Directors & Weekend of Recovery Facilitator Team

We offer our condolences to the families who have lost dear ones at the hands of police brutality and injustice.

<https://www.nvrdc.org/>

Network for Victim Recovery of DC (NVRDC) provides free, holistic, and comprehensive advocacy, case management and legal services to victims of all types of crime regardless of income. We believe that victims deserve respect for their dignity in the aftermath of a crime. NVRDC seeks to empower crime victims in the District of Columbia by meeting them where they are and, in doing so, provide vital services in order to achieve justice and encourage self-determination.

<https://turnaroundinc.org/>

TurnAround opened its doors in 1978 to serve survivors of sexual assault and intimate partner violence in Baltimore County. After seeing a gap in services for individuals abused through sexual violence in Baltimore City, in January of 1995, the agency expanded to provide counseling and support services to survivors in that jurisdiction as well. The agency's name was changed to Second Step, Inc. in 1998 as we celebrated 20 years of service to the community.

<https://www.lcsj.org/>

The mission of Loudoun Citizens for Social Justice/ Loudoun Abused Women's Shelter (LAWS) is to provide victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and child abuse with safety, hope and empowerment services to live as survivors free from the effects of violence. LAWS' vision statement is as follows: We envision a community that is free of domestic violence, sexual assault, and child abuse.