



# Domestic Violence Resources and Information

## What is domestic violence?

Domestic violence is a pattern of abusive behavior in any relationship that is used by one partner to gain or maintain power and control over another intimate partner. Domestic violence can be physical, sexual, emotional, economic, or psychological actions or threats of actions that influence another person. This includes any behaviors that intimidate, isolate, hurt, manipulate, humiliate, frighten, terrorize, coerce, threaten, blame, injure, or wound someone.

## Local Resources

### **New Orleans Family Justice Center: (504) 866-9554**

Emergency shelter, individual advocacy, information and referrals, group support, children's program, medical advocacy, legal assistance, counseling, safety planning, and caregiver support to survivors in Orleans Parish.

### **Metro Centers for Community Advocacy: (504) 837-5400**

Emergency shelter, individual advocacy, information and referrals, group support, children's program, medical advocacy, legal assistance in obtaining restraining orders, counseling, safety planning, and caregiver support to survivors in Jefferson, St. Charles, and St. John Parish.

### **Women with a Vision: (504) 301-0428**

Advocacy, health education, and supportive services, specializing in free healing services for marginalized groups, including LGBTQ individuals and sex workers.

### **Sexual Trauma Awareness & Response: (855) 435-STAR**

Individual advocacy, information and referrals, group support, medical advocacy, legal assistance, counseling, and safety planning for survivors of sexual assault.

### **University Medical Center: (504) 702-3000; 2000 Canal Street**

Forensic exams for sexual assaults and domestic violence, which can be performed up to 5 days after an incident. It is not necessary to make a police report.

### **Louisiana Statewide Domestic Violence Hotline: (888) 411-1333**

The Louisiana Statewide Hotline is free and confidential and allows victims and survivors of domestic abuse to call one number and be routed to a domestic violence service provider in their area.

### **National Human Trafficking Hotline: (888) 373-7888**

National anti-trafficking hotline serving victims and survivors of human trafficking. Provides information about local resources, and access to a safe space to report tips, seek services, and ask for help.

### **VIA Link: 211 or (800) 749-2673**

Counselors are available to provide crisis counseling and information and referrals to programs which can help with needs such as food, shelter, medical care, financial assistance, mental health services, substance abuse treatment, senior services, childcare, and more.

## Online Information

[Womenslaw.org](http://Womenslaw.org)

[Techsafety.org](http://Techsafety.org)

[Loveisrespect.org](http://Loveisrespect.org)

[Thehotline.org](http://Thehotline.org)

[LCADV.org](http://LCADV.org)

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