

DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE INFORMATION & RESOURCES



Domestic and Sexual Violence refers to a variety of behaviors used by an individual to exert power and control over another person.

What is Domestic Violence (DV)?

DV occurs among intimate partner relationships, families, and household members. Behaviors that cause harm may include forms of emotional, economic, psychological, sexual, and physical abuse.

These actions can intimidate, isolate, manipulate, humiliate, terrorize, threaten, belittle, injure, and traumatize all persons involved.

What is Sexual Violence (SV)?

SV is any kind of sexual activity or act that took place without consent. SV can be perpetrated against ANYONE, by anyone. This can include family, intimate partners, acquaintances and strangers. Usually SV involves one or more of the following: pressure, manipulation, bullying, coercion, intimidation, threats, deception, or force.

Local Resources



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

Emergency shelter, advocacy, referrals, children's program, legal assistance, counseling, safety planning, and caregiver support to survivors of DV&SV.

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

Emergency shelter, advocacy, referrals, group support, children's program, legal assistance, counseling, safety planning, and caregiver support to survivors of DV&SV.

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.

Online Resources:

Nola.gov/health (SV/DV)
Womenslaw.org (SV/DV)
Crimesurvivorsnola.org (SV/DV)
Rainn.org (SV)
Lafasa.org (SV)
Thehotline.org (DV)
Lcadv.org (DV)
Loveisrespect.org (DV)

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

Individual advocacy, referrals, group support, legal assistance, counseling, and safety planning for survivors of SV.

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

Forensic exams for DV&SV survivors. Exams can be performed up to 5 days after an incident. Filing a police report is not a requirement to get a forensic exam.

VIA Link: 211 or (800) 749-2673

Counselors are available to provide crisis counseling 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.

Hotline Numbers:

Louisiana SV TEXT line: 225-351-7233
Louisiana SV Hotline: 888-372-8995
National SV Hotline: 1-800-656-4673
Louisiana DV Hotline: 888-411-1333
National DV Hotline: 1-800-799-7233
Human Trafficking Hotline: 888-373-7888
Suicide Helpline: 988