# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESOURCES

Domestic violence is a serious issue affecting millions of people worldwide. Survivors carry the weight of unimaginable pain and fear, often in isolation. But they are not alone and do not have to bear this burden in silence.

Navigating the journey toward healing can be overwhelming, but we designed this guide to be a safe haven for information. We created this guide to extend a hand, offer support, and provide a beacon of hope for individuals who have experienced or are experiencing domestic violence. We understand that every survivor's experience is unique, so our guide encompasses a wide range of resources, from crisis hotlines to counseling services, legal assistance, and shelter options.

It's important to remember that you are not alone, and there is no shame in asking for help. You can take the first step towards healing and rebuilding your life by reaching out and accessing the resources available.

Remember, you deserve to feel safe, loved, and supported.

We invite you to explore the resources in this guide at your own pace, seeking the support and knowledge that resonate with you. If you have any questions or concerns about an agency listed in this guide, please do not hesitate to contact our offices at 225-342-1570 for more information.

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## THE BUTTERFLY SOCIETY

Click here for website Phone: 225-347-7725

The Butterfly Society is a non-profit Domestic Violence Organization founded in October 2014 by Executive Director, Twahna P. Harris. The Butterfly Society offers a variety of services to individuals in the community who have been impacted by domestic violence e.g., advocacy, information and referrals, outreach, safety planning, and support groups. Through community partnerships, our cause continues to expand and continues to provide a network of support for victims of domestic violence.

# **CAFA OGLA**

Click her for website Phone: 985-217-5358

Café Ogla: One People to STOP Violence, is a program to provide culturally-sensitive victim services for United Houma Nation citizens living in the 6-parish service area who are victims of: Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking. Our program's focus is helping individuals and families heal, plan, and move forward independently following traumatic experiences. We assist victims (ages 11 and up) with understanding their legal rights and protections while they are interacting with the police, and navigating the criminal justice system.

# DEAF ABUSED WOMEN'S NETWORK (DAWN)

Emergency Hotline Email (Mon-Fri, 9-5): Hotline@deafdawn.org Click here for website

DAWN is a trauma-informed, culturally responsive, and transformative justice-based agency to provide multi-faced services to the survivors and the community to understand and address power-based violence by providing direct services and education. As DAWN's mission is to promote healthy relationships and reduce abuse in the Deaf community of the Washington DC area, we emphasize that all forms of violence are intersectional. We work with survivors who have many identities and these varieties of identities decrease their right to their own safety and autonomy.

# **FAITH HOUSE ACADIANA**

24-Hour Crisis Line: 1-888-411-1333 Click here for website

Outreach Center Phone: 337-232-8954

Faith House is a private, non-profit program for survivors of domestic violence and their children. The program has seven components: an emergency shelter, a non-residential program, a transitional housing program, a permanent housing program, a 24-hour crisis line, a public education program, and the Family Justice Center of Acadiana. All of our services are free, confidential, voluntary and available to all individuals experiencing domestic violence, no matter your sexual orientation or gender.

## **BREAK THE CYCLE**

Text "loveis" to 22522 to talk with a peer advocate

#### Click here for website

Break the Cycle inspires and supports young people 12 - 24 to build healthy relationships and create a culture without abuse. We are a culturally affirming organization that centers young people, caring adults, and communities in our prevention and intervention efforts.

# CAPITAL AREA FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER (CAFJC)

24-Hour Crisis Line: 225-389-3001 Click here for website Phone: 225-239-7880

The Capital Area Family Justice Center creates a welcoming environment in which a multi-disciplinary team of professionals works together in one, centralized location to provide coordinated services to victims of domestic violence and their children. Prior to the family justice center's opening, victims of domestic violence would have to visit numerous agencies to receive vital services and assistance. With the coordination of these resources through the family justice center, the burden of having to navigate through an already difficult situation is relieved by our passionate staff.

## **CHEZ HOPE**

24/7 Hotline: 337-828-4200

Click here for website

Assumption Office: 985-513-2777

Iberia Office: 337-560-0090

St. Martin Office: 337-242-6100

The basic philosophy of Chez Hope is that women, men, and children have a right to live in a home free from violence. Regardless of stressful situations which occur within the family unit, abuse is never justified. Chez Hope will strive to assure optimum and comprehensive program of services to assist victims of domestic violence.

# DOMESTIC ABUSE RESISTANCE TEAM (D.A.R.T. LA)

Lincoln Parish Crisis Line: 318-251-2255 Other Parishes Crisis Line: 1-888-411-1333

Click here for website Office Phone: 318-513-9373

D.A.R.T. has been recognized at a state level as a model of a community-based, grassroots effort to recognize a serious problem and join forces to combat it. The agency provides crisis intervention, shelter, free and confidential counseling for children and adults, and a children's program for young people who have experienced or witnessed abuse at home. D.AR.T. also has a legal advocate who assists victims in filing protective orders and understanding their legal rights. Community education and awareness is also a vital part of DA.R.T.'s mission.

## **DOMESTICSHELTERS.ORG**

#### Click here for website

DomesticShelters.org works to make more people aware of the services available for those experiencing domestic violence and make it faster and easier for victims of domestic violence and their friends/family, as well as program and shelter providers, to quickly find services and information best suited to their location, language and needs. We're the first and largest online and mobile searchable directory of domestic violence programs and shelters in the U.S. and Canada, and a leading source of helpful tools and information for people experiencing and working to end domestic violence.

# FAMILY VIOLENCE PROGRAM OF ST. BERNARD

Click here for website Phone: 504-277-3177

The mission of the Family Violence Program of St. Bernard is to empower all survivors of domestic violence---through programs that promote quality assurance and continuous growth---to live independent lives free from power and control by other individuals. Our goal is to meet the immediate needs of an individual and then to encourage independence and self-sufficiency of every survivor to attain a lifestyle of their choosing. We also strive to impact public policy and practices affecting battered and abused individuals.

## THE HAVEN

Phone: 985-872-0757 Click here for website

The Haven provides safety, advocacy, crisis response, and education to survivors of sexual assault and domestic, dating, and family violence. The mission of The Haven is to empower survivors of family violence and sexual assault to live safe, independent, and violence free lives. The Haven is dedicated to breaking the cycle of violence by changing attitudes and beliefs in order for all people to live free from the threat of violence.

# IRIS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CENTER

24-Hour Crisis Line: 1-800-541-9706

Click here for website Phone: 225-389-3001

Iris Domestic Violence Center has provided professional, compassionate, and empowering support to battered women and their children in the Greater Baton Rouge area and surrounding parishes. Iris Domestic Violence Center is dedicated to the empowerment of women, men and children who have suffered domestic abuse and we are therefore committed to the elimination of both personal and societal violence in the lives of all individuals. We empower survivors, prevent relationship violence, and promote justice for victims of domestic and dating violence, their children, and our communities.

# FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER CENTRAL LOUISIANA

After Hours Crisis Line: 1-888-411-1333

Click here for website Phone: 318-448-0884

The Family Justice Center of Central Louisiana is a collaborative organization that provides victims of domestic abuse and sexual assault (including children, adults and the elderly) a secure place to receive services from multiple agencies all under ONE roof. The Center strives to create a community where survivors and children are safe, abusers are held accountable, economic justice is fostered, and families thrive.

# FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER OUACHITA PARISH

Click her for website Phone: 318-998-6030

The Family Justice Center of Ouachita Parish (FJC) is a one-stop information and service center here to serve those seeking assistance in domestic violence or teen dating situations, for sexual assault or stalking. We have worked throughout Northeast Louisiana to form collaborative partnerships to end Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Teen Dating Violence and Stalking. The FJC's goal is to make services more accessible to victims of these crimes by locating together: social workers, civil legal assistance, law enforcement, counselors, medical personnel, prosecutors, clergy, and community volunteers.

# THE INITIATIVE

Click here for website Helpline: 303-839-5510

The Initiative (previously known as the Domestic Violence Initiative or DVI) advocates for persons with disabilities who are victims of abuse. Through our direct services and our outreach program, The Initiative strives to create an abuse-free culture for all. Our services include victim advocacy, domestic violence counseling, and more. We do not have a shelter, but we can connect you with shelters in your area. The Initiative's outreach program is focused on making state resources accessible to victims of abuse who are persons with disabilities.

# JUNE N. JENKINS WOMEN'S SHELTER

Click here for website Phone: 337-462-6504

The June N Jenkins Women's Shelter is committed to providing a safe haven to empower, support, and educate domestic violence survivors and enable them to live healthy, happy lives free of violence.

# JEFFERSON DAVIS COMMUNITIES AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

After Hours Crisis Line: 1-888-411-1333

Click here for website Office Phone: 337-616-8418

CADA is a non-profit organization operating the only emergency battered women's shelter in Jeff Davis Parish. Since its inception, CADA has provided, free of charge, a safe lodging place for survivors and their dependent children who are victims of domestic abuse. Our goal is to provide a safe shelter environment, advocacy and empowering programs to survivors and their children who are victims of domestic abuse.

# LOUISIANA COALITION AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (LCADV)

24/7 Hotline: 1-888-411-1333

Click here for website Phone: 225-752-1296

LCADV is the federally designated statewide coalition of shelters, non-residential programs, and individuals working to end DV in Louisiana. Our programs support and involve battered women and children of all racial, religious and economic groups, ages, and lifestyles. Coalitions work at the statewide level and serve four main purposes. We provide training and technical assistance to local members and allies. In partnership with our programs we create social change around the issue of violence against women through public education, awareness, and task groups.

# METRO CENTERS FOR COMMUNITY ADVOCACY GNO (MCCAGNO)

After Hours Crisis Line: 1-888-411-1333 Click here for website Phone: 504-837-5400

Metro currently provides wrap-around services including individual advocacy, information and referrals, group support, medical advocacy, legal advocacy, sheltering, individual support, safety planning, and caregiver support to survivors in eight Louisiana parishes. These parishes include a spectrum of communities from urban to suburbs to exurbs to rural areas. Metro has the main office complex, three shelters, and six satellite offices. Metro also provides a 24/7 Crisis Line for counseling and/or referrals for victims.

# NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE

National DV Hotline: 1-800-799-7233 Text to Talk: 1-800-787-3224 Click here for website

24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year, the National Domestic Violence Hotline provides essential tools and support to help survivors of domestic violence so they can live their lives free of abuse. Contacts to The Hotline can expect highly-trained, expert advocates to offer free, confidential, and compassionate support, crisis intervention information, education, and referral services in over 200 languages.

## **NEXTSTEP OF CENTRAL LOUISIANA**

Click her for website Phone: 318-664-0277

NextSTEP works in schools to teach middle and high school students about dating violence and healthy relationships, per Louisiana Law. We refer teens who self-identify as being victims to their school-based health center counselors and to the Family Justice Center in Alexandria. More than 24,000 students, teachers and professionals in the fields of healthcare, law enforcement, the judiciary and government have received the benefits of A Fight We Can Win training. Our goal is for this award-winning program to be an important part of every student's educational experience.

## **LOVE IS RESPECT**

### Click here for website

love is respect offers 24/7 information, support, and advocacy to young people between the ages of 13 and 26 who have questions or concerns about their romantic relationships. We also provide support to concerned friends and family members, teachers, counselors, and other service providers through the same free and confidential services via phone, text, and live chat. We aim to be a safe and inclusive space for young people to access help and information in a setting specifically for them. We provide comprehensive education through resources including quizzes, interactive pages, and testimonials, as well as training, toolkits, and curriculum for educators, peers, and parents to promote healthy relationships and prevent future abuse.

# NATIONAL COALTION AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

National DV Hotline: 1-800-799-7233 (SAFE)

#### Click here for website

Our mission is to lead, mobilize and raise our voices to support efforts that demand a change of conditions that lead to domestic violence such as patriarchy, privilege, racism, sexism, and classism. We are dedicated to supporting survivors and holding offenders accountable and supporting advocates.

# NEW ORLEANS FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER (NOFJC)

24-Hour Crisis Line: 504-866-9554
<u>Click here for website</u> Phone: 504-592-4005

New Orleans Family Justice Center is a partnership of agencies dedicated to ending family violence, child abuse, sexual assault, and stalking through prevention and coordinated response by providing comprehensive client-centered, empowerment services in a single location. All of our services are free and offered in English and Spanish. On-site childcare is available.

## NORTHEAST NEW START OUTREACH

Click here for website Phone: 318-367-5105

Northeast New Start Outreach Inc. is a nonprofit agency that strives to promote conditions that prevent and eliminate domestic violence by educating its members and community partners, providing informational resources to the community, and advocating a strong, joint voice for victims/survivors of domestic violence. We offer support through education, advocacy, and a relentless pledge to prevent abuse. We are devoted to encouraging a broad environment where individuals can be their authentic selves and feel empowered to stand up to all forms of oppression. We oppose all forms of control over others.

# **NORTHWEST FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER**

24-Hour Crisis Line: 318-226-5015

<u>Click here for website</u> Phone: 318-584-7171

The Northwest Louisiana Family Justice Center (NWLFJC) is a collaboration among public and private agencies in nine parishes to provide support services and resources for victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and Exploitation. Our mission is to provide a safe and accessible, central intake and service center for survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking to receive comprehensive, coordinated community services during this very difficult time.

# PROJECT CELEBRSTION, INC. (PCI)

DeSoto, Natchitoches, Red River & Sabine parish DV Hotline: 318-256-3408

Bossier, Caddo & Webster parish DV Hotline: 318-226-5015

Click here for website Phone: 318-256-6242

Our agency provides direct services to survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault and children experiencing violence. PCI has carefully designed our services to fit the needs of our community. We currently operate 2 domestic violence shelters - Taylor House DV Shelter is located in Sabine Parish and PCI DV Shelter is located in Caddo Parish. PCI also offers free services to sexual assault survivors such as medical, personal and court advocacy. We offer visit coaching and parenting classes through our Family Resource Center. The Child Advocacy Center conducts forensic interviews for children. All services through our organization are free and confidential.

# A SAFE SPACE ST. CHARLES

Toll-Free Crisis Line: 844-217-0596
<u>Click her for website</u> Phone: 985-308-0596

The organization's main objective is to equip and empower the survivor with the necessary tools so that the individual can be able to make informed healthy life choices. By doing so, the organization believes the survivor can become self-sufficient and live a life that is free from violence. Our vision is to provide assistance to empower the community of St. Charles Parish and surrounding parishes to break the cycle of domestic /intimate partner violence; for the parish of St. Charles and surrounding parishes' residents to be free of domestic /intimate partner violence; and to live in a society where there is zero tolerance for domestic /intimate partner violence.

# THE WELLSPRING ALLIANCE

Click here for website Phone: 318-323-1505

It is our mission to create social change through empowerment and support for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, safe shelter for men, women and children, and community education. Community outreach is essential in creating a safety net in our community and important in preventing future violence. Oasis offers specialized educational presentations, free of charge, to schools or any youth-oriented groups. The professional staff and trained volunteers at Oasis A Safe Haven for Survivors of Domestic and Sexual Violence provide 24/7 support to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. All services are 100% confidential and completely free of charge.

## **OASIS A SAFE HAVEN**

Click here for website Office Phone: 337-436-4552

It is our mission to create social change through empowerment and support for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, safe shelter for men, women and children, and community education. Community outreach is essential in creating a safety net in our community and important in preventing future violence. Oasis offers specialized educational presentations, free of charge, to schools or any youth-oriented groups. The professional staff and trained volunteers at Oasis A Safe Haven for Survivors of Domestic and Sexual Violence provide 24/7 support to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. All services are 100% confidential and completely free of charge.

## SAFE HARBOR NORTHSHORE

24-Hour Crisis Line: 985-626-5740

Click here for website Phone: 985-626-5710

Safe Harbor is a non-profit, non-government agency in St.

Tammany Parish serving survivors and their minor children who are victims of domestic abuse. We can provide a safe place to stay and a variety of critical support services ranging from crisis intervention, legal advocacy, playgroups, emotional support, and community-based referrals for kids. Our professional staff and trained volunteers help bridge the gap between victimization and independence. That includes everything from accessing the right social services to finding a job and a new place to live. We're available 24 hours a day.

We're completely confidential. All services are free with no income eligibility requirement.

# SOUTHEAST ADVOCATED FOR FAMILY EMPOWERMENT (SAFE)

Click here for website Phone: 985-542-8384

SAFE is a private, non-profit agency serving domestic/dating violence and sexual assault survivors and their children in Tangipahoa, Livingston, St. Helena and Washington Parishes for over 30 years. Our first priority is safety. SAFE provides 24-hour crisis intervention in Tangipahoa, Livingston and St. Helena Parishes, as well as rapid rehousing in Washington Parish. SAFE offers advocacy and referral services to adults who self-identify as being victims of domestic and sexual violence and their dependent children. The agency provides an array of services, including crisis intervention, safety planning, individual/group counseling, emergency food, clothing, temporary lodging, transitional housing, transportation, legal advocacy/support, court technical assistance, court preparation and court accompaniment.

## **VAWNET**

#### Click her for website

For over 2 decades, the National Resource Center on Domestic Violence has operated VAWnet, an online network focused on violence against women and other forms of gender-based violence. VAWnet.org has long been identified as an unparalleled, comprehensive, go-to source of information and resources for anti-violence advocates, human service professionals, educators, faith leaders, and others interested in ending domestic and sexual violence.

# THAT'S NOT COOL

## Click here for website

That's Not Cool is an award-winning national public education initiative that partners with young people to help raise awareness and bring educational and organizing tools to communities to address dating violence, unhealthy relationships, and digital abuse. The program's interactive website, tools, and resources support young people as they learn to recognize, avoid, and prevent dating violence in their lives. The program is built on the belief that young people must lead the way in creating change online, in their schools, and in their communities. That's Not Cool works to lift the voices of the most silenced and marginalized communities of young people including LGBTQI youth, Native youth, youth living with disabilities, and youth of color. Our work provides youth leaders with the tools, training, and support they need to bring localized violence prevention public education campaigns to their communities. That's Not Cool also provides tools, resources, and technical assistance to adult allies working with youth leaders or young people experiencing dating violence.