



rape and abuse crisis center

advocacy. counseling. education.

Welcome to the Rape & Abuse Crisis Center

Personal violence is a very painful issue to deal with.

You have shown great courage in taking that first step of coming in to the Center.

The following services are available free for victims and their families and friends:

1. 24-Hour Crisis Line – by calling (701)293-7273 or (800)344-7273, trained advocates are available to talk to you over the phone.
2. Emergency Housing – when you are working with a Center staff person, safe housing can be arranged.
3. Advocacy – we can help you with systems such as law enforcement, medical, court, and social services.
4. Orders for Protection – our criminal justice intervention advocates can assist you with obtaining court-ordered protection from the abuser.
5. Crisis Intervention – crisis services are available for you, your family, and friends.
6. Counseling – individual counseling is available for you, your family, and friends. We have daytime and some evening appointments available.
7. Groups – after you have seen a counselor individually, groups are available. Groups are a valuable part of our support services – they help reduce isolation, and they let you know other people share your experiences and feelings. Please inquire about current groups offered.
8. We DO NOT offer the following services:
 - ◆ custody evaluations or recommendations
 - ◆ mental health or psychiatric evaluations or recommendations
 - ◆ investigation of whether or not abuse has occurred – this is the role of law enforcement and child protection services
 - ◆ counseling for issues that are unrelated to abuse – referrals are made to other agencies
 - ◆ counseling for sexual assault perpetrators – referrals are made to other agencies
 - ◆ counseling for batterers – referrals are made to other agencies

We do not provide the above services because the Rape and Abuse Crisis Center must remain a safe place where victims feel protected and free to talk about anything without fear of the consequences. The Center is here to deal with abuse, whether or not the abuse is substantiated by investigation, whether or not the abuser is prosecuted, and regardless of the outcome of any court proceedings.

Our Mission Statement

To offer crisis intervention, advocacy, counseling, and education to all persons affected by sexual and domestic violence and to provide prevention programs to create a society free of personal abuse.

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