

Campus and Community Resources Available for Sexual and Dating Violence Victims

What Services Can I Use?

When someone has been sexually battered and/or physically abused, he/she faces many choices. Below are available resources for victim safety, medical care, counseling, and information on law enforcement involvement.

Note: Most services are only available for victims 18 years and older.



For information on services regarding safety, medical care, short term counseling, long term counseling, 24 hour hotlines, and law enforcement contact information and options, continue reading.

If you are in immediate danger or require medical attention, call 911 or one of the following law enforcement agencies:

FSU Police Department: 850-891-4200

Tallahassee Police Department: 850-891-4200

Leon County Sheriff's Office: 850-922-3300

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Safety

For emergency temporary housing:

Refuge House: 850-681-2111

24 Hour

refugehouse.com

[Women only, LGBTQ friendly, free, 24/7 service]

Refuge House has a short term emergency shelter for female victims and counseling services available (counseling for men and women).

Other temporary housing may be available by calling the FSU Police Department at 850-644-1234. No police report is necessary.

For protective orders (restraining orders, injunctions, no contact orders):

Refuge House Injunction Office: 850-577-448

8:30AM-4:30 PM, M-F

refugehouse.com

[For men and women, LGBTQ friendly, free]

Victims may receive assistance in filing for an injunction through the injunction assistance office located inside the Leon County Courthouse.

There are various types of injunctions, and victims may or may not qualify.

FSU Dean of Students: 850-644-2277

8:30AM – 4:30PM, M-F

victimadvocate.fsu.edu

[For men and women, LGBTQ friendly, free]

Victims may seek a no contact order against a student attacker or a no trespass order for a non-student attacker. This requires that the accused student stay a certain number of feet away from the victim and does not contact the victim in any way. A no trespass order requires an attacker to stay off of the FSU campus. These orders can be requested through the Victim Advocate Program.

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Medical Care

To have a forensic and medical exam done:

Tallahassee Memorial Hospital: 850-431-0911

24 Hours

tmh.org

[For men and women, LGBTQ friendly, free]

A forensic and medical exam (often called a rape kit) consists of a full body examination, vaginal, anal, and oral swabs, DNA collection from the attacker, blood and urine collection, and medication for sexually transmitted infections prevention and pregnancy prevention. The exam is conducted by a trained sexual assault nurse examiner (SANE nurse).

This evidence can be collected with a police report, or without a police report. The victim can wait up to 15 months in Leon County to decide to press charges. Law enforcement must be present but it is not necessary to press charges.

To have sexually transmitted infection and/or HIV/AIDS testing done and/or obtain emergency contraception:

University Health Services: 644-6230

8:30 AM – 4:30 PM, M-F

uhs.fsu.edu

[For men and women, LGBTQ friendly ,students only , free]

University Health Services provides sexually transmitted infections (including HIV/AIDS) testing and emergency contraception for victims of sexual assault. No police report is required. Other medical services may require a copay depending on the student's insurance.

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Counseling Services

For short-term counseling:

Florida State University Victim Advocate Program: 850-644-2277
victimadvocate.fsu.edu

[For men and women, LGBTQ friendly, free]

Provides short term counseling, instructor notification, service referrals, victim services, information on reporting. All services are confidential.
Available 24/7.

For long-term counseling or group counseling:

University Counseling Center: 850-644-2003
8:30 AM – 4:30 PM, M-F
counseling.fsu.edu

[For men and women, LGBTQ friendly, students only, free]

Individual, group, and couples counseling. All services are confidential.
Call to make an appointment. Emergency walk-ins accepted.

Refuge House: 850-681-2111
refugehouse.com

24 Hour

[For men and women, LGBTQ friendly, free]

Refuge House provides counseling services for men and women who have experienced sexual and domestic/dating violence. Call to speak with a hotline advocate or make an appointment.

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Counseling Services

24 hour Crisis Hotlines:

211 Big Bend: 211

211bigbend.net

[For men and women, LGBTQ friendly, free]

211 Big Bend provides 24/7 crisis counseling, suicide prevention, information for victims, and service referrals.

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Rape Abuse & Incest National Network (RAINN): 1-800-656-4673

rainn.org

[For men and women, LGBTQ friendly, free]

Florida State University Victim Advocate Program: 850-644-1234

victimadvocate.fsu.edu

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FSU Victim Advocate Program provides 24 hour crisis counseling and services for victims. Night/weekend number is for FSU Police Department, just ask for a victim advocate.

FL Council Against Sexual Violence: 888-956-RAPE

fcasv.org

[For men and women, LGBTQ friendly, free]

Provides services to victims and survivors of sexual violence and the sexual assault crisis programs who serve them.

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Law Enforcement Involvement

To file a police report:

If a victim chooses to file a police report and press charges, he/she can contact the law enforcement agency where the incident occurred.

To file an information-only report:

If a victim is not sure if he/she wants to report and press charges, he/she can file an information-only report. This provides information to law enforcement about the incident and keeps the information-only report on file. The victim can decide if he/she would like to press charges later.

Note: If a victim calls 911 or a non-emergency number during or immediately after the crime, mandatory arrest laws may require law enforcement to arrest an identified domestic violence abuser regardless of the victim's intent.

To have a forensics exam (sexual assault exam):

Tallahassee Memorial Hospital: 850-431-0911 **24/7 service**
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