

HOW YOU CAN HELP...

Volunteer - Join our team of trained volunteers who answer the crisis line after-hours and over the weekend. DVSAC also welcomes volunteers to help in the office, with Prevention presentations and with donations and fundraising.

Cash Donations - Donations help us to expand our programs and services to our clients and the community and to fill in the gaps in our grant programs. All donations are tax-deductible.

Fundraising Assistance - Sponsor a table or donate an item or service for our fundraising events such as galas, live and silent auctions and our annual Daddy Daughter Dance. We'll be happy to promote and recognize all community contributors.

In-Kind Donations - We offer our clients items and goods for their immediate needs: food, clothing, bus passes, toiletries, household supplies, etc. We also appreciate grocery, gas and store gift cards for this purpose. And we collect old cell-phones and printer cartridges, to recycle for cash. Call our office for more details.

Inform Your Employees & Customers

If your workplace brings you in contact with victims of domestic violence or sexual assault, we have materials you can display or keep on hand to inform them of their rights, and to help them find the services they need. During Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Awareness Months (October and April) we also appreciate the use of community settings for our Silent Witness and educational displays.

HELP US...

STOP DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & SEXUAL ASSAULT

DVSAC's Mission

The mission of DVSAC is to offer resources for building healthy relationships and to work with community partners to provide services for healing the effects of interpersonal violence.

DVSAC's Vision

A community unified in peace and justice for the safety and well-being of every individual.

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Community Partner

DVSAC

Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Coalition



Serving domestic violence & sexual assault victims and their families in Nevada County since 1978.

HOW DV SAC HELPS...

Facts and Figures

Unfortunately, domestic violence is all too prevalent in western Nevada County. It affects all economic levels.

During 2008-09 DV SAC recorded:

- 835 domestic violence crisis calls
- 280 victims served at business office
- Assistance with restraining orders for 106 clients
- 2692 Shelter bed nights
- 2403 peer counseling sessions and
- 242 group counseling session

While cases of sexual assault are less prevalent, known cases tend to represent only the tip of the iceberg.

DV SAC's 2008-09 figures included:

- 122 Sexual assault victims from crisis calls and in-person crisis intervention
- 61 child and teen sexual assault victims
- 120 Group counseling sessions
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While we celebrate the progress of individual clients, there is always much to do in aiding new victims and their families, and in finding new ways to prevent domestic violence and sexual assault in our community.

24 HOUR CRISIS LINE

A trained peer counselor is available 24 hours a day to offer support, crisis intervention and referral for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault and their families.

EMERGENCY CRISIS INTERVENTION

Trained counselors meet victims in the DV SAC office or at the hospital, treatment facilities, schools or law enforcement locations.

SAFEHOUSE SERVICES

DV SAC's offers emergency shelter through various sources to provide safety and temporary confidential accommodation to domestic violence victims and their children.

INDIVIDUAL & GROUP COUNSELING

Weekly support groups facilitated by trained counselors and/or therapists are offered. DV SAC also offers weekly groups for children affected by domestic violence. Individual counseling by peer counselors and therapists is also available during office hours.

LEGAL ASSISTANCE

DV SAC helps victims with the preparation of temporary restraining orders, and provides information about and accompaniment to mediation sessions, child custody and other family court hearings.

ACCOMPANIMENT & ADVOCACY

Counselors accompany clients, when requested, to court, medical appointments, law enforcement interviews, and social services.

COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

Outreach and prevention programs include:

- ◆ Free self-defense classes
- ◆ Informational booths at fairs and other events
- ◆ In-services at agencies and businesses
- ◆ Presentations to businesses and service groups on topics such as domestic violence in the workplace, and preventing sexual harassment.

PREVENTION PROGRAMS FOR TEENS

DV SAC works with local middle and high schools in giving age-appropriate forums on healthy relationships, dating violence, date rape, and keeping safe.

PLEASE NOTE:

All DV SAC services are provided in a confidential and non-discriminatory manner, and are free of charge.

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