

DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE IN VIRGINIA

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To the Chairs of the Senate and House, Courts of Justice Committees, and the Virginia State Crime Commission:

Enclosed is the 2025 Annual Report on Domestic and Sexual Violence in Virginia, prepared by the Office of the Attorney General pursuant to Virginia Code Section § 2.2-515.1 with contributions from state, local, and non-profit partners.

This report provides the most up-to-date statewide data to inform you and your committees of the progress achieved in reducing domestic and sexual violence, as well as the challenges that continue to demand our collective attention. It reflects the breadth of Virginia's coordinated response, which includes public awareness campaigns, professional training, legislative reforms, and a range of statewide initiatives designed to address these pressing concerns.

My office remains steadfast in its commitment to protecting the rights and safety of victims across the Commonwealth. We have strengthened this commitment internally while continuing to collaborate with our executive, legislative, and community stakeholders. Although significant work remains, I am confident that our shared dedication to supporting victims and ensuring accountability for offenders will lead to meaningful and lasting reductions in domestic and sexual violence in Virginia.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jason Miyares".

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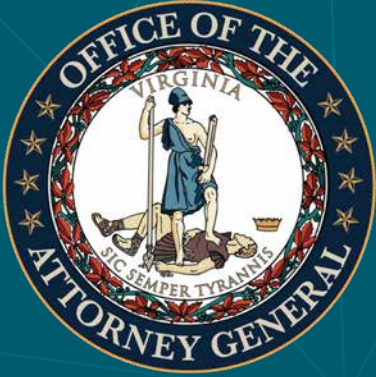
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ATTORNEY GENERAL'S MESSAGE

Every person in Virginia deserves the opportunity to live in safety, free from the threat of domestic and sexual violence. Unfortunately, these crimes leave deep and lasting impacts—not only on survivors, but also on their families and entire communities. The trauma can ripple outward, affecting physical and mental health, financial stability, and community well-being for years. By acting early and ensuring that survivors and those at risk have access to resources, support, and trusted advocates, we can help stop cycles of abuse before they continue and reduce the risk of future harm. Survivors must know they are not alone and that there is a strong network of caring professionals and community members ready to stand with them.

I want to express my sincere appreciation to the many state and community partners who make this network possible: the Office of Family Violence with the Virginia Department of Social Services, the Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities with VCU, Virginia Department of State Police, the Office of the Attorney General's Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI), the Office of the Attorney General's Lethality Assessment Program (LAP), the Virginia Center on Aging, and the Virginia Department of Corrections. In addition to these statewide partners, countless local domestic and sexual violence programs across the Commonwealth are on the front lines every day. They provide life-saving services such as emergency shelter, advocacy, safety planning, counseling, court accompaniment, and community education. They are also leaders in prevention and awareness efforts, working tirelessly to create safer communities.

Throughout 2025, the Office of the Attorney General continued to strengthen its support for survivors. We expanded programs designed to improve safety and empower victims, including the Sexually Violent Predator Civil Commitment and Criminal Appeals Notification Programs, the Address Confidentiality Program, the Lethality Assessment Program, and the Identity Theft Passport Program. These initiatives connect survivors with practical tools and trusted advocates, helping them rebuild their lives while ensuring accountability and increasing public safety.

This report shares some of the tremendous work being carried out by local and state partners across Virginia. It also provides a snapshot of the progress we have made and the challenges that still require our attention. While we can be proud of the strides taken, we know our work is not finished. Preventing domestic and sexual violence requires ongoing dedication, collaboration, and innovation. Together, as Virginians, we can ensure that survivors and their families have access to the safety, support, and hope they need. By continuing to build strong networks of care and prevention, we move closer to a future where every community is free from the devastating impact of these crimes.

Sincerely,

Jason S. Miyares
Attorney General



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Domestic and sexual violence is still far too prevalent in society. It has a direct impact on every aspect of life and impacts all socio-economic levels, cultures, and religions. Perhaps one of the more tragic aspects is the emotional and psychological effect it has on children.

During 2024 and 2025, Virginia directed efforts toward equipping prosecutors, law enforcement, victim advocates, health care providers, and social service agencies with practical tools and resources to strengthen their work with survivors. At the same time, state, local, and private partners carried out public awareness and prevention campaigns designed to inform communities and connect individuals with critical services.

Across the Commonwealth, countless agencies and programs dedicate themselves to safeguarding victims and pursuing justice. By continuing to champion their efforts and embracing bold, innovative approaches, we can strengthen our collective impact and build a future where safety, accountability, and healing are within reach for all.



A hand is shown reaching upwards, palm facing forward, against a background of out-of-focus light spots (bokeh). A faint, light blue network of lines and dots is overlaid on the entire image. In the bottom right corner, there is a dark silhouette of the state of Virginia, also featuring the network overlay.

DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE IN VIRGINIA

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Domestic and sexual violence have direct physical and emotional consequences for tens of thousands of victims, family members, and children. These crimes do not discriminate. They impact women and men of all ages, races, ethnic groups, and socioeconomic backgrounds. Domestic and sexual violence also impact the community, from our homes and neighborhoods to our schools and workplaces. These crimes present challenges for a wide range of professionals who deal with these issues on a daily basis, including law enforcement officers, prosecutors, advocates, social services workers, judges, magistrates, court personnel, probation officers, health professionals, and other allied professionals.

Agencies and organizations across the Commonwealth of Virginia devote significant resources to the prevention of and response to domestic violence and sexual assault incidents. These agencies and organizations continuously collect data to assess current programs and services in an effort to ensure the best allocation of resources at both state and local levels. By compiling the data available from stakeholder agencies and organizations in a range of disciplines, this report aims to facilitate an understanding of the impact of these issues on our families and communities.

WHAT IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE?

According to the Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance, domestic violence is “A pattern of abusive behaviors used by one individual intended to exert power and control over another individual in the context of an intimate or family relationship.”¹ The Code of Virginia defines “domestic violence” more broadly as: The occurrence of one or more of the following acts by a current or former family member, household member as defined in § 16.1-228, person against whom the victim obtained a protective order or caretaker:

- a. Attempting to cause or causing or threatening another person physical harm, severe emotional distress, psychological trauma, rape, or sexual assault;
- b. Engaging in a course of conduct or repeatedly committing acts toward another person, including following the person without proper authority, under circumstances that place the person in reasonable fear of bodily injury or physical harm;
- c. Subjecting another person to false imprisonment; or
- d. Attempting to cause or damage to property so as to intimidate or attempt to control the behavior of another person.²

Based upon the above Code definition, domestic violence may include elder abuse, abuse of incapacitated adults between the ages of 18 and 59, child abuse, stalking, dating violence, sexual abuse, and trafficking in women and children. Other terms often used in the Code and elsewhere to describe domestic violence and the various relationships that fall within the broader definition of domestic violence include “family abuse” (see below, “spousal abuse,” and “intimate partner violence.”) This report and much of the data collected focuses on the broader definition of “domestic violence” as set forth by the Code of Virginia.

1. Definition provided by Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance. 2. Definition according to Virginia Code § 16.1-228.

What Is “Family Abuse?”

While the Code does include a broad definition for “domestic violence,” the definition most often referenced in Virginia domestic violence cases is the definition for “family abuse.” “Family abuse” means any act involving violence, force, or threat that results in bodily injury or places one in reasonable apprehension of death, sexual assault, or bodily injury and that is committed by a person against such person’s family or household member. Such act includes, but is not limited to, any forceful detention, stalking, criminal sexual assault in violation of Article 7 (§ 18.2-61 et seq.) of Chapter 4 of Title 18.2, or any criminal offense that results in bodily injury or places one in reasonable apprehension of death, sexual assault, or bodily injury. *Va. Code Ann. § 16.1-228.*

The “family abuse” definition centers primarily on the relationship between the parties, defined as “family and household members:” “Family or household member” means (i) the person’s spouse, whether or not such spouse resides in the same home with the person, (ii) the person’s former spouse, whether or not such person resides in the same home with the person, (iii) the person’s parents, stepparents, children, stepchildren, brothers, sisters, half-brothers, half-sisters, grandparents and grandchildren, regardless of whether such persons reside in the same home with the person, (iv) the person’s mother-in-law, father-in-law, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law who reside in the same home with the person, (v) any individual who has a child in common with the person, whether or not the person and that individual have been married or have resided together at any time, (vi) any individual who cohabits or who, within the previous 12 months, cohabited with the person, and any children of either of them then residing in the same home with the person, or (vii) an individual who is a legal custodian of a juvenile.

Va. Code Ann. § 16.1-228.

WHAT IS SEXUAL VIOLENCE?

The terms “sexual assault” or “sexual violence” imply sexual contact without consent and with or without the use or threat of force, regardless of the relationship of the parties. Pursuant to the Code of Virginia, sexual offenses include rape (§ 18.2-61), forcible sodomy (§ 18.2-67.1), object sexual penetration (§ 18.2-67.2) aggravated sexual battery (§ 18.2-67.3), sexual battery (§ 18.2-67.4), and attempted sexual offenses (§ 18.2-67.5). For state crime reporting purposes, the Incident Based Reporting System used by the Virginia Department of State Police defines victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent, including rape, sodomy, sexual assault with an object, and fondling.

“Non-forcible sexual offenses” include incest and statutory rape.³ For federal reporting purposes, the Federal Bureau of Investigation’s Uniform Crime Reporting System defines a rape as “penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim, “forcible sexual offenses,” as any sexual act directed against another person, without the consent of the victim.”⁴

3. Virginia State Police, Crime in Virginia, 2023 (2024). 4. Federal Bureau of Investigation, Crime in the United States 2019 (2020).



**FUNDING SOURCES AND
GRANT PROGRAMS**

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Virginia Department of Criminal Justice (DCJS)

Victims of Crime Act (VOCA)

The federal Crime Victims Fund (CVF) was established by the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) of 1984 and is one of the major funding sources for victim services throughout the United States. The Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) is the designated VOCA funding administrator for Virginia. DCJS uses VOCA funding to support direct service delivery, training, and technical assistance through local child abuse service programs, domestic violence programs, sexual assault crisis centers, victim/witness programs, and other victim-serving organizations. Revenues are deposited into the CVF annually from criminal fines, forfeited appearance bonds, penalties, special forfeitures, special assessments, and gifts, donations, and bequests by private parties. Fund dollars do not come from taxpayers.

Beginning in 2015, there have been significant fluctuations in the VOCA “Cap” (the amount allocated to be released from the CVF each year) and thus in the amount of VOCA dollars allocated to states. Awards peaked in federal fiscal year (FFY) 2018 with Virginia’s award totaling over \$85 million. Since FFY 2018, awards have declined. Virginia’s FFY 2024 award represented a 10-year low in funding levels at approximately \$19.87 million. The FFY 2025 award is anticipated to be \$32.2 million. While this is an increase from FFY 2024, it is still significantly lower than previous funding trends.

At the federal level, there has been a decrease in deposits into the CVF. This has resulted in a sharp decline in the balance of the CVF and significant concerns about the sustainability of the Fund. In 2021, the VOCA Fix to Sustain the Crime Victims Fund Act of 2021 (“VOCA Fix Act”) was passed. The VOCA Fix Act is intended to address the long-term sustainability of the CVF. Among other actions, the VOCA Fix Act directed monies from federal criminal settlements from non-prosecution and deferred prosecution agreements to be deposited into the CVF. Previously these funds were deposited



into the General Treasury. It is hoped that these additional funds will enable the balance of the CVF to build back up over time; however, it is extremely difficult to predict future deposit levels. Further, ongoing federal litigation has called into question some recent large CVF deposits. Again, there is significant uncertainty with VOCA funding levels.

DCJS continues to plan for and efficiently utilize VOCA funds for services and costs as allowable under federal guidelines. Declining awards and the instability described above have caused DCJS to reduce the VOCA funded subaward obligations. In state fiscal year (SFY) 2025, approximately \$28 million in federal VOCA funds were sub-awarded to support victim services in Virginia, as compared to approximately \$40 million in SFY 2024.

Examples of funded projects include child abuse treatment programs, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) programs, domestic violence programs, sexual assault crisis centers, and victim/witness programs. Additional state general funds have enabled subawards to remain level in SFY 2025; however, uncertainty about future funding levels remains.

5. All funding information for *Funding Sources and Grant Programs* is provided by the Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) and the Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS).

Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)

The Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) is the source of three funding programs at the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS). Funding is awarded to Virginia from the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) at the U.S. Department of Justice. VAWA creates and supports wide-ranging responses to violent crimes against women, such as domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking. Since its enactment, VAWA-supported programs have worked to improve responses to these crimes.

VAWA was originally passed in 1994 and was the first federal legislation recognizing domestic violence and sexual assault as crimes. It provided federal resources for community-coordinated responses to addressing violence against women. VAWA's subsequent reauthorizations have resulted in many important provisions, to include a legal assistance program for victims, an expanded definition of crime to include dating violence and stalking, addressing prevention, added housing protections, and funding for rape crisis centers and culturally- and linguistically-specific services. In the VAWA Reauthorization of 2013, provisions were added that addressed violence against Native women and LGBTQ+ survivors, expanded housing protections for victims, and added protections for survivors who are college students and immigrant victims.

In the most recent VAWA Reauthorization of 2022, requirements were included that updated and strengthened the provisions that were implemented in the 2013 VAWA Reauthorization. The 2022 law provided survivors, local victim-serving programs, and communities with the critical resources needed to improve housing, legal assistance, and prevention efforts. It also promoted economic justice efforts and better ensured access for survivors of all genders by strengthening non-discrimination laws and creating an LGBTQ+ services program. The law also addressed the disproportionate number of crimes that are perpetrated against Native women through the restoration of tribal jurisdiction, which allows tribes to prosecute non-Native perpetrators of violence. In addition, VAWA 2022 bolstered current housing protections, increased access to emergency and short-term housing, and ensured resources for culturally specific programming to ensure survivors of color receive the services that they need.

ICJR

The Improving Criminal Justice Responses to Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence and Stalking Grant Program (ICJR) is designed to treat domestic and sexual violence as serious violations of criminal law by encouraging collaborative partnerships among state, local, and tribal governments and courts. Through a coordinated community response, the ICJR program challenges communities to communicate, identify problems, and share ideas for responding to victims of domestic and/or sexual violence, resulting in the application of best practices to enhance victim safety and ensure offender accountability at each juncture in the criminal justice system through investigation, arrest, prosecution, and judicial oversight.

DCJS is the state administering agency for ICJR, in partnership with the Office of the Attorney General of Virginia, Virginia Poverty Law Center, Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance, and Virginia Victim Assistance Network. OVW awarded this partnership \$1,000,000 for a three-year grant cycle (2022-2025) to develop and strengthen policies, protocols, and training for law enforcement officers and prosecutors regarding the investigation and prosecution of sexual assault cases and the appropriate treatment of victims; to strengthen legal advocacy service programs and other services for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, including strengthening assistance to such victims in immigration matters; and to develop state policies, procedures, and protocols for preventing dual arrests and prosecution in cases of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and to develop effective methods for identifying the pattern and history of abuse that indicates which party is the actual perpetrator of abuse.

Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP)

A second VAWA stream of funding is the Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP). SASP was created by the Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005. It is the first federal funding stream solely dedicated to the provision of direct intervention and related assistance for victims of sexual assault. Funding through SASP supports sexual assault crisis centers and other nonprofit, nongovernmental organizations or tribal programs that provide core services, direct intervention, and related assistance to victims of sexual assault.

DCJS is the state administering agency for SASP. DCJS, in partnership with other stakeholders, seeks to consider the array of needs of all sexual assault

victims and available services in the state when developing implementation strategies. As a result, and in accordance with grant requirements, Virginia's SASP Grant Program emphasizes the maintenance, expansion, and establishment of sexual assault services, including direct intervention, core services, and related assistance to adult, youth, and child victims of sexual assault.

In federal fiscal year 2025, \$1,051,806 was allocated to Virginia through a formula grant from OVW. These funds enable DCJS to support direct intervention services to sexual assault victims across the Commonwealth.

Services, Training, Officers, Prosecution (STOP)

A third VAWA funding stream is the STOP (Services, Training, Officers, Prosecution) Violence Against Women program. The STOP program promotes a coordinated, multidisciplinary approach to improving the criminal justice system's response to violent crimes against women; encourages the development and strengthening of effective law enforcement and prosecution strategies to address violent crimes against women; and the development and strengthening of victim services in cases involving violent crimes against women. The STOP grant program is known as

VSTOP in Virginia and is guided by the VSTOP State Planning Team. For FFY 2024, Virginia was allocated \$4,086,790 through the STOP formula grant from OVW. Virginia's STOP award increased to \$4,192,171 for FFY 2025, allowing for level funding for currently funded programs and potentially funding new law enforcement projects. Currently, these funds enable DCJS to support 84 projects throughout Virginia to address the issues of domestic and sexual violence, dating violence, and stalking.

Virginia Crime Victim-Witness Fund (VWF)

The Virginia Crime Victim-Witness Fund (VWF) was established in 1995 by Code of Virginia [§ 19.2-11.3](#) as a special nonreverting fund to be administered by DCJS to support victim and witness direct services that meet the minimum standards prescribed for programs under Code of Virginia [§ 19.2-11.1](#). The VWF is funded by a portion of the sum collected from court fees and costs by local district and circuit courts from

convicted offenders. DCJS administers and distributes funding to 114 Virginia localities through the Victim Witness Grant Program, partially using special funds from the VWF. Any funds remaining in the VWF at the end of the state budget biennium remain in the VWF, and interest earned is credited to the VWF to support local programs.

Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA)

The Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) was enacted by Congress in 1984 to promote public awareness and prevention of family violence as well as to provide services for victims and their dependents. FVPSA funds enable local programs to provide residential and nonresidential services to victims, including shelter, transitional housing, safety planning, counseling, legal services, childcare, services for children, advocacy, community education, public awareness, and necessities (such as clothing, food, and transportation).

DSS administered \$3,155,228 in FVPSA funds, renewing contracts with 51 local domestic violence programs, eight community-based organizations and the statewide coalition, and initiated two new DV services in unserved areas of the state. Fourteen local programs used a portion of their FVPSA grant award to provide primary prevention efforts during FY 2025.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

The COVID-19 pandemic resulted in additional funding being awarded to Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) through FVPSA as a result of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

VDSS received three awards.

1. ARPA Domestic Violence Supplemental Funding: \$3,004,484
2. ARPA Sexual Assault: \$3,855,431
3. ARPA Vaccines, Testing and Access to Mobile Health: \$8,316,672

Virginia Family Violence Prevention Program

Virginia established the Virginia Family Violence Prevention Program (VFVPP) in 1983 to provide additional funding for the prevention of family violence and intervention in situations involving family violence, particularly situations involving child abuse and neglect. In addition to prevention and intervention services, activities funded with VFVPP funds include statewide training, technical assistance and data collection. Additional funds are added to this fund from the Social Services Block Grant by DSS.

FY25 grants renewed with VFVPP funds supported basic crisis services, as well as projects for the prevention of family violence on the local and state levels. DSS administered \$1,338,864 in VFVPP grant funds to 13 of the local programs and to the statewide coalition, the Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance (VSDVAA).



Temporary Assistance to Needy Families

Through budget appropriations of the General Assembly, federal Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) funds are included in the state budget for the provision of direct services and systems advocacy to victims of domestic violence. These funds are also used to provide community outreach and public awareness in their communities. State General funds are combined with TANF funds to ensure the greatest flexibility in ensuring that all victims are eligible for these services. DSS administered \$5,195,542 in TANF grant funds to support 51 local domestic violence programs, eight community-based organizations and the statewide coalition.

Through a set aside line item in the state budget, VSDSS administers a sole source contract with The Laurel Center for services in Winchester and surrounding counties with TANF funds totaling \$1,250,000.

Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Primary Prevention Fund

In FY20 the Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Primary Prevention Fund was codified by the General Assembly as a non-reverting fund to support sexual and domestic primary prevention. It is administered by VDSS based on a spending plan co-developed by the Action Alliance and the Virginia Department of Health. In FY25, 14 programs received a total of \$1,579,241 to provide initiatives that promote the primary prevention of sexual and domestic violence. Additionally, the Action Alliance received \$154,875 to provide training and technical assistance.

Virginia Department of Social Services – Office of Family Violence

Pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 63.2-1611 through 63.2-1615, the Virginia Department of Social Services (DSS) is responsible for the coordination and management of domestic violence prevention and service efforts across the Commonwealth. In accomplishing its statutory mission, the Virginia Department of Social Services, Office of Family Violence (OFV), funds local public and private nonprofit domestic violence programs that work to prevent and address the issue of domestic violence within their community, providing services to all people in their community who have experienced or been impacted by domestic violence. The OFV's primary goals are to support local domestic violence programs, to provide leadership and coordination within DSS on domestic violence as it relates to child abuse and neglect and other DSS service areas, to educate local DSS agencies, community organizations and the general public on the effects of domestic violence, and to work collaboratively with the state domestic violence coalition and other state agencies. The OFV endeavors to provide consistent and reliable services through local service providers for victims and children in every locality of the Commonwealth.

Domestic Violence Prevention and Services Program – Support to Domestic Violence Programs

Through various projects, OFV supports an array of direct services to victims of domestic violence and their children, including crisis hotlines, shelter emergency transportation, translation services for limited and non-English speaking victims, services for children and youth exposed to domestic violence, legal advocacy including court accompaniment, explanation of legal options, and referrals to attorneys, assistance with applications for benefits through local departments of social services (LDSS) and victims' compensation, safety planning and counseling for victims in crisis and non-crisis situations. Additionally, OFV supports community education and primary prevention efforts throughout the state.

In addition to funding local programs that provide services to victims and their children, through a contract with the Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance (Action Alliance), the OFV continues to support the Virginia Data Collection Project (VAdata), the provision of technical assistance for local programs and communities, as well as the provision of training for local domestic violence advocates.



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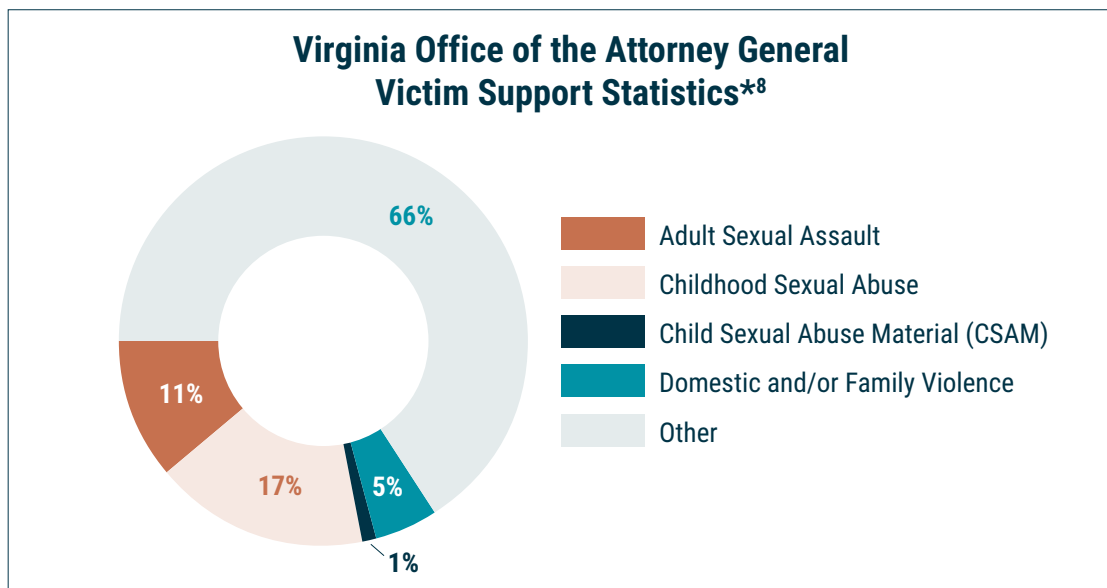
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The Office of the Attorney General (OAG) promotes public awareness of domestic and sexual violence and human trafficking issues in the Commonwealth through the implementation of several initiatives, training, collaboration, and grant programs. The OAG advocates for sound public policy and legislative efforts to enhance victim safety and to hold offenders accountable, while collaborating with state agencies, nonprofit organizations, and businesses to address the issues of domestic and sexual violence in communities across the Commonwealth. The Office employs the Statewide Facilitator for Victims of Domestic Violence, a position created by Virginia Code § 2.2-515.1, to assist agencies with the implementation of domestic violence programs..



Office of the Attorney General Victim Services Unit

The Office of the Attorney General Victim Services Unit (VSU) is a system-based victim services program that ensures crime victims across the entire state of Virginia have access to services and receive notification of post-conviction legal matters. The VSU includes the Address Confidentiality Program (ACP), the Lethality Assessment Program (LAP), the Identity Theft Passport Program (IDT), Appellate Victim Advocacy, and Sexually Violent Predator Civil Commitment Victim Advocacy (SVP). The services provided are codified in the Virginia Crime Victim and Witness Rights Act (Code of Virginia §19.2-11.01) and are available to victims, witnesses, and family members. VSU also assists victims throughout the Sexually Violent Predator (SVP) civil commitment process. In FY 2025, VSU provided services and support to 1,479 victims and/or witnesses of a broad range of crimes. Of those victims, 17% were child victims of sexual abuse/assault, 11% were adult victims of sexual assault, 1% were child sexual abuse material (CSAM) victims, and 5% were victims of domestic and/or family violence.⁷



Source: Virginia Office of the Attorney General Victim Notification Program (VNP), FY2024. Data shows how many victims of domestic and sexual violence were served by the Victim Notification Program for FY2024.

6. All information for the Office of the Attorney General's (OAG) Victim Services Unit (VSU), Address Confidentiality Program (ACP), Lethality Assessment Program (LAP), Grant Initiatives, Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI), and the Anti-Human Trafficking Section is provided by the Office of the Attorney General and Department of Criminal Justice Services. 7. Percentages provided by reports in VSDCS. 8. Data from the pie chart is provided by reports from VSDCS from DCJS.

*Some victims are represented in more than one crime victimization type and may receive several services over the designated reporting period.

The SVP and Appeal advocates provided services that included notification of case hearings, court accompaniment, facilitating meetings with attorneys, emotional support, safety planning, and information about safe housing options. The SVP advocate provided services in approximately 55 new cases in 2025, while continuing services in an additional 35 cases. The SVP advocate is currently tracking an estimated 800 SVP cases overall. In 2025, our Appeal advocates made a total of 1,327 notifications to victims concerning post-conviction activity. Of those notifications, victims of domestic and sexual violence were among the survivors notified. These three advocates are responsible for post-conviction notifications and services to victims across the Commonwealth.

The VSU also provides services to underserved victims of crime, including elder abuse, child exploitation, and identity theft. Over the last 365 days, advocates registered 125 victims into the Notification and Assistance for Victim Inclusion (NAAVI) Department of Corrections victim notification system, facilitating ongoing support and information regarding post-conviction legal matters. The Victim Services Unit provides training across the Commonwealth to various agencies, departments, and non-profit organizations. The training includes education on the appellate process, the Sexually Violent Predator civil commitment process, the Address Confidentiality Program, the Lethality Assessment Program, and the Identity Theft Passport Program. The Victim Services Unit is partially funded by the Victim Witness Grant Program (VWGP). In 2024, the VSU received level funding of \$308,251 for fiscal year 2025. In 2025, the VSU was awarded \$320,372 in Victim Witness Grant funds for fiscal year 2026. The overall cost of the Victim Services Unit is roughly \$700,000.



Victim Services Unit at the Annual Domestic Violence Awareness Month Event with Attorney General Jason S. Miyares



Unsung Heroes Award Recipient, Susan Williams, Smyth County Victim Witness (center of photo).

Each year the Office of the Attorney General holds the Unsung Heroes Award Ceremony where first responders who work with victims of crime are awarded for their outstanding service.



Adrian Perry, Director of Victim Services Unit speaking at the Unsung Heroes Award Ceremony

Office of the Attorney General Address Confidentiality Program

Pursuant to § 2.2-515.2, the Address Confidentiality Program (ACP) is a voluntary and confidential mail-forwarding service established to help protect individuals who have experienced domestic violence, sexual violence, human trafficking, stalking, or child abduction, and who have relocated to an address unknown to their abuser. The program enables participants to use a designated “substitute” mailing address in place of their home address, ensuring that their physical location remains confidential. This substitute address, a post office box maintained by the Office of the Attorney General in Richmond, is not connected in any way to the participant’s actual residence.



The ACP was first made available to victims of domestic violence on July 1, 2011, and has since been expanded through a series of legislative actions. In 2014, eligibility was extended to victims of stalking. In 2017, the program grew to include victims of human trafficking and sexual violence, and that same year, the Application Assistant Program was created to certify local domestic and sexual violence programs, as well as victim witness programs, to serve as application assistants. This addition improved access to the program across the Commonwealth and streamlined the application process. Most recently, on July 1, 2024, eligibility was further expanded to include victims of child abduction.

While the ACP is not intended to serve as a comprehensive protective measure, it remains an important tool within a broader safety strategy. Participants are encouraged to work with local domestic violence or sexual assault programs to develop safety plans and access additional resources. Further information on the Address Confidentiality Program is available at: <https://www.oag.state.va.us/programs-outreach/domestic-violence/address-confidentiality-program>.

Currently, there are 604 total program participants.

Office of the Attorney General Lethality Assessment Program

The Lethality Assessment Program (LAP) provides education on Intimate Partner Violence lethality indicators, domestic violence homicide prevention, as well as proactive responses that reduce the likelihood of serious injury. The LAP continues to provide training and technical assistance on the LAP, which is an evidence-based screening tool used by first responders on scene to identify victims who are at high risk of serious injury or death by their intimate partners. The lethality screen is used to connect victims immediately with life-saving domestic violence services. Through this connection, victims are made aware of the emergency domestic violence services available to them in their locality resulting in the ability to take steps towards a life that is free from their abuser.

In this reporting period, 8 new Virginia law enforcement agencies and 1 new domestic violence service provider joined existing statewide teams in implementing LAP in their jurisdictions, bringing the total to 100 agencies currently trained in the LAP protocol. The program provided 42 in-person site visits to LAP-implementing agencies to strengthen and enhance their programs and conducted 11 trainings for nearly 200 participants, providing instruction to law enforcement agencies and domestic violence programs throughout the Commonwealth.

Additionally, the LAP provided support and guidance to 6 law enforcement and domestic violence agencies taking steps to begin LAP implementation, with the goal of onboarding in Fall/Winter 2025–2026. The Office of the Attorney General has officially begun FORSETI



onboarding for participating agencies transitioning to the electronic LAP 2.0 model.

Per its ICJR grant partnership and current MOUs, LAP continues to collaborate with the Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) and the Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Alliance (VSDVAA) to provide ongoing technical assistance to localities utilizing LAP, including hosting virtual quarterly meetings for LAP coordinators across the state. The quarterly meetings include specialized training by allied professionals who are members of High-Risk Multidisciplinary LAP teams, with the goal of enhancing their coordinated community response to intimate partner violence.



LAP Coordinator with Dr. Jacqueline Campbell; her research helped develop the LAP model.

GRANT INITIATIVES

Violence Against Women Grant (VSTOP)

The OAG continues to receive funding from the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) under the STOP Violence Against Women Grant (VSTOP). Through this grant, the OAG provides resources, training, and technical assistance to local and state allied professionals, as well as to victims of domestic and sexual violence, stalking, and human trafficking. The OAG received \$40,156 in VSTOP continuation funding from DCJS for CY24–25 to support public awareness activities across the Commonwealth and in underserved communities.

Through the “Safe at Home” Program, the OAG directed victims to state and local resources, provided training to prosecutors, law enforcement officers, and advocates on working with victims from underserved communities, and distributed thousands of public awareness materials statewide. During this grant cycle, the Address Confidentiality Program Coordinator collaborated with multiple community partners and stakeholders to raise awareness of the necessity of providing domestic violence resources to victims.

Office of the Attorney General Lethality Assessment Program (LAP)

The Improving Criminal Justice Responses to Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking Grant Program (ICJR) is designed to treat domestic and sexual violence as serious violations of criminal law by encouraging collaborative partnerships among state, local, and tribal governments and courts. Through a coordinated community response, the ICJR program challenges communities to communicate, identify problems, and share ideas for responding to victims of domestic and sexual violence. This approach results in the application of best practices to enhance victim safety and ensure offender accountability at each juncture in the criminal justice system, including investigation, arrest, prosecution, and judicial oversight.

DCJS is the state administering agency for ICJR, in partnership with the Office of the Attorney General of Virginia, the Virginia Poverty Law Center, the Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance, and the Virginia Victim Assistance Network. OVW awarded this partnership \$1,000,000 for a three-year grant cycle (2023–2025) to increase access to justice for all survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, including through the exploration of survivor-centered criminal justice system reform.

Improving Criminal Justice Response (ICJR) Grant Program

The Improving Criminal Justice Responses to Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking Grant Program (ICJR), formerly known as the Grants to Encourage Arrest Program (GEAP), is a discretionary grant awarded to DCJS, in partnership with the Office of the Attorney General, the Virginia Poverty Law Center, the Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance, and the Virginia Victim Assistance Network. One million dollars was awarded during the current three-year grant cycle (2023–2025) to provide technical assistance and training to strengthen local and regional community responses to domestic and dating violence and stalking in Virginia by supporting existing Lethality Assessment Programs (LAPs) with training and resources.

Virginia Office of the Attorney General Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI)

The Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI), a federal Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) grant, advances justice for sexual assault survivors by promoting the testing of all Physical Evidence Recovery Kits (PERKs) and strengthening trauma-informed responses to sexual crimes. Since its launch in 2015, Virginia's SAKI program has played a pivotal role in solving cold-case sexual assaults and sexually motivated homicides. In 2020, the Commonwealth became one of the first states to fully eliminate its backlog of untested PERKs.

The Office of the Attorney General (OAG), in partnership with the Department of Forensic Science (DFS) and the Virginia State Police (VSP), has secured more than \$6 million in SAKI funding since 2016. Please see previous reports for Virginia's full SAKI timeline. The 2024 Virginia SAKI team included a project manager, investigator, and victim advocate at the OAG, along with two intelligence analysts at VSP supporting law enforcement in cold-case sexual assaults and homicides.

In 2024, Virginia's SAKI efforts produced measurable results. DNA testing of previously tested PERKs generated 113 CODIS hits, leading to the resolution of multiple cold cases. These included two sexual assault cases—one resulting in Virginia SAKI's first jury trial conviction—and nine homicide investigations, bringing long-awaited closure to victims' families. The Attorney General

personally met with family members of three Colonial Parkway murder victims, underscoring Virginia's commitment to pursuing justice in unsolved cases.

Virginia SAKI also expanded its capacity to respond to sexual violence through statewide training. More than 300 law enforcement personnel and service providers, both civilian and military, received instruction in trauma-informed sexual assault investigations, with some agencies adopting the training department-wide. The SAKI team also convened a roundtable between the Attorney General and investigators from 14 law enforcement agencies, strengthening collaboration and information sharing across jurisdictions.

Through collaboration and innovation, Virginia's SAKI program continues to deliver justice for survivors, solve violent crimes, and strengthen public safety across the Commonwealth.



SAKI staff from the OAG facilitate Trauma-Informed Sexual Assault Investigations in 2024.



SAKI staff table the 2025 Conference on Violent Crime

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING

The Office of the Attorney General of Virginia hosted the 2025 Human Trafficking Summit: *The Dignity Mandate*. This annual event convened law enforcement, prosecutors, service providers, survivor leaders, policymakers, faith leaders, and community partners from across the Commonwealth and beyond to strengthen Virginia's coordinated response to human trafficking. This year's theme, *The Dignity Mandate: Virginia's Commitment Rooted in the Belief that Every Life Matters*, emphasized restoring dignity to survivors, strengthening systems of accountability, and advancing collaborative strategies to end human trafficking.

Highlights of the Summit

Evening of Prayer & Togetherness

Opening night featured keynote remarks from former U.S. Ambassador-at-Large Cindy Dyer and prayers from diverse community leaders, grounding the summit in unity and shared commitment.

Keynote Speakers & Special Guests

Virginia Governor Glenn Youngkin highlighted state and national efforts to combat trafficking.

Workshops & Panels

Over 20 breakout sessions covered critical issues, including:

- Transitioning survivors from the courtroom to care.
- Identifying trafficking risks in foster care.
- Survivor workforce reentry and apprenticeship pathways.
- Addressing illicit massage businesses (IMBs) in Virginia.
- Federal-state task force collaboration and cross-border coordination.
- Ethical and dignity-centered anti-trafficking campaigns.
- Gaps between victim identification, investigation, and prosecution.
- Online exploitation and holding social media companies accountable.

Survivor Leadership

Lived experience experts were engaged as presenters, panelists, and advisors across sessions, ensuring survivor-informed approaches remained central.

Law Enforcement & Prosecutor Training

Closed sessions provided advanced training on investigation, prosecution, and cross-agency coordination, with an emphasis on trends and case-building strategies.

Recognition

Key partners, including the Attorney General Alliance and Operation Light Shine, supported participation of law enforcement and agencies through scholarships and other event activities. The summit also honored the inaugural 100% BAAT Award recipient, Haynes Furniture Corporation, for exceeding expectations in statewide training implementation.



Attorney General Jason S. Miyares with Virginia Governor Glenn A. Youngkin and First Lady Suzanne S. Youngkin

Impact

The summit drew hundreds of participants from across Virginia and neighboring states, advancing knowledge, building stronger multidisciplinary teams, and equipping leaders to better prevent, identify, and respond to human trafficking. By centering dignity and survivor voices, the event reinforced Virginia's national leadership in building a comprehensive, collaborative response to this crime.

On January 2, 2025, the Attorney General announced a \$1.29 million grant from the U.S. DOJ to improve outcomes for youth trafficking victims, focusing on research, training, interagency collaboration, and pilot support programs.

This grant will fulfill five results:

- 1. Statewide Collaboration:** The Office of the Attorney General established a statewide working group to ensure a coordinated response to human trafficking across Virginia. This group brings together representatives from government departments and agencies working both directly and indirectly with trafficked minors. Complementing the working group, an advisory council composed of human trafficking survivors and anti-trafficking experts will provide training, guidance, and oversight.
- 2. Comprehensive Research:** To better understand gaps in identifying and supporting trafficking victims—particularly underrepresented groups such as male and labor trafficking survivors—Virginia will conduct a detailed, statewide study in partnership with the Center for Public Policy at Virginia Commonwealth University. This analysis will include surveys, focus groups, stakeholder interviews, and geographic mapping to identify trafficking hotspots and regions vulnerable to trafficking incidents.
- 3. Expanding the Human Trafficking Toolkit:** Building on Virginia's existing Human Trafficking Toolkit, the Commonwealth will update resources to reflect the latest research findings and address the needs of labor trafficking victims and male survivors. The revised materials will include customized guidance for various sectors, including healthcare, tourism, education, and the justice system. These updated tools, available in multiple formats by mid-2026, will equip stakeholders with the knowledge and skills to recognize and respond to human trafficking.
- 4. Pilot Training at a Correctional Facility:** The Office of the Attorney General will partner with the nonprofit ImPACT Virginia to provide specialized training to staff at a correctional facility in Virginia. The pilot training program will enhance the ability of juvenile justice personnel to identify signs of trafficking and employ trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches.
- 5. Regional Training Events:** To improve collaboration and build capacity across Virginia, the Commonwealth will host five regional training sessions in 2027. These events will bring together law enforcement, healthcare providers, social services, educators, and community organizations to learn about the unique trafficking dynamics in their areas and acquire practical tools for victim identification and support. The training content will be tailored to each region, with opportunities for stakeholders to share best practices and strengthen their local networks.

Office of the Attorney General – OJP FY 2020 Enhanced Collaborative Model Task Force to Combat Human Trafficking

Hampton Roads Human Trafficking Task Force Continuation and Expansion

The Office of the Attorney General concluded its final year of the OJP FY 2020 Enhanced Collaborative Model Task Force to Combat Human Trafficking in September 2024. During the final quarterly reporting period, the Hampton Roads Human Trafficking Task Force achieved the following outcomes:

- **New Arrests: 26** related to human trafficking or associated incidents
 - U.S. Citizens: 19
 - Foreign Nationals: 3
 - Unknown: 4
- **New Victims Identified: 46**
 - Sex Trafficking: 26
 - Labor Trafficking: 18
 - Both Sex and Labor Trafficking: 2

These results highlight the continued impact of coordinated multidisciplinary efforts in combating human trafficking across the Hampton Roads region.



Kenny Hansmire (*far left*), Jacquelyn Aluotto (*second from left*), Adam LaRoche (*middle*), Kerri Walsh Jennings (*second from right*), and Tania Maestas (*far right*).

COMMONWEALTH'S ATTORNEYS' SERVICES COUNCIL⁹

The Commonwealth's Attorneys' Services Council (CASC) is the state agency mandated to provide support and training services to Virginia's prosecutors.



In CY 2024-25, CASC organized and implemented over 80 hours of continuing legal education (CLE) credit for Virginia's prosecutors on issues related to the investigation and prosecution of domestic and sexual violence and stalking cases. That training included four hours of training specifically focused on ethical issues that arise in the investigation and prosecution of these cases. They also facilitated over 30 hours of in-service PIC credit training to officers in the areas of investigation of domestic violence and sexual assault.

These training hours were offered through both large statewide trainings and smaller topic-specific trainings. Specifically, this included two large statewide programs, two week-long intensive 6-day trainings and small trainings.

Since 2008 CASC has offered an intensive six-day training program to sexual violence prosecutors and investigators. The program, entitled Trauma to Trial: Investigating and Prosecuting Adult Non-Stranger Sexual Assault, is offered annually at no cost to approximately 12 prosecutor/investigator teams from across the state. The Trauma to Trial training was developed in response to the startling statistics surrounding adult non-stranger sexual assault.

Trauma to Trial confronts these statistics and focuses on overcoming the numerous challenges associated with investigating and prosecuting these difficult cases and trains prosecutors and law enforcement in the use of trauma-informed interviewing and investigation. The faculty is comprised of allied professionals from across Virginia and beyond and includes not only prosecutors and investigators, but also victim advocates, a forensic nurse examiner/sexual assault nurse examiner (FNE/SANE), social workers/clinicians and victim-witness personnel. Importantly, no student is excluded from Trauma to Trial because their office or department does not have funding for training. The Trauma to Trial budget includes funding for students' lodging, meals, and training expenses.

CASC also conducts an intensive, six-day training for prosecutors and law enforcement officers, focused on the issues unique to the prosecution of domestic violence. The program, entitled Guns and Roses, offers advanced training to approximately 12 teams of law enforcement officers and prosecutors on all facets of domestic violence cases including corroboration of testimony, domestic violence dynamics, evidence-based prosecution, determining the predominant aggressor, and forfeiture by wrongdoing. The faculty includes some of the top prosecutors, victim advocates, and law enforcement officers in Virginia. As with Trauma to Trial, no student is excluded from Trauma to Trial because their office or department does not have funding for training. The Trauma to Trial budget includes funding for students' lodging, meals, and training expenses.

CASC is deeply committed to combating crimes of domestic and sexual violence and our commitment extends beyond the courtroom.

By equipping prosecutors and investigators with specialized training, resources, and peer support, we strengthen the capacity of Virginia's criminal justice system to deliver fair, effective, and survivor-centered outcomes.

9. Information is provided by the Commonwealth's Attorneys' Services Council.

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, SUPREME COURT OF VIRGINIA¹⁰

The Office of the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court of Virginia (OES) is the administrative office for Virginia's Judicial System. The OES provides coordination, supervision, and administrative support for operations and systems within the court and magistrate systems. The OES also provides ongoing training and technical assistance to judges, magistrates, and court personnel across the Commonwealth on a range of issues that impact the courts, including training on domestic and sexual violence issues.

In 2025, the OES received funding from the Office on Violence Against Women through the STOP (Services, Training, Officers, and Prosecutors) grant program (or V-STOP in Virginia). V-STOP funding supports judicial branch education and training efforts on domestic violence, local court domestic violence improvement projects, the Hope Card Program, and the I-CAN! Virginia protective order online forms completion program.



Office of the Executive Secretary
Supreme Court of Virginia



Judicial Branch Training and Education on Domestic Violence

The OES provides training and education on domestic violence issues to judges, magistrates, and district court clerks. This includes training delivered at OES-sponsored events, online education, and print information and resources. In 2025, OES-sponsored domestic violence training for judges included two in-person sessions for newly appointed judges at their new judge orientation training, one mandatory and one voluntary session on intimate partner/domestic violence for district court judges at their mandatory annual conference in August 2025 in Virginia Beach, Virginia.

In April 2025, forty-three (43) newly appointed judges attended a session entitled *"Dynamics of Domestic Violence—Concepts and Myths"* at new judge orientation in Richmond, Virginia. In June 2025, all new judges also attended a protective order training session as part of their new judge orientation. Of the forty-three (43) judges, sixteen (16) were circuit court judges, fifteen (15) were general district court judges, and twelve (12) were juvenile and domestic relations district court judges.

In July 2025, all OES staff interpreters participated in a full-day training entitled *"Trauma-Informed Interpreting for Intimate Partner Violence Cases."* This training was delivered by national experts in the field. OES staff members were also trained to be able to deliver this training to interpreters in the future as needed.

10. Information provided by the Office of the Executive Secretary, Supreme Court of Virginia (OES).

In October 2025, a mandatory session on technology-enabled abuse and stalking will be presented at the mandatory Judicial Conference of Virginia for District Courts. In addition, a voluntary domestic violence discussion group session will be offered.

The 2024 version of the *Virginia Domestic and Sexual Violence Reference Manual for Virginia Court Judges* was updated and converted to a searchable online resource for all judges and court personnel on the Virginia Courts Intranet site.

For magistrates, domestic violence issues are discussed during magistrate certification training. Certification training is required for all new magistrates and is a rigorous five-week course that concludes with a comprehensive exam. Certification training is normally held four times a year; the training currently consists of three weeks of in-person instruction at the magistrate training facility in Hanover, Virginia, and two weeks of virtual instruction.

In 2025, certification training includes instruction on the elements of Virginia Code §18.2-57.2, who may qualify as a “family or household member,” bail considerations in domestic violence situations, emergency protective orders, marital rape, and larceny as it pertains to married couples. As of August 25, 2025, thirty-eight (38) new magistrates have attended certification training in 2025.

Attendance at a regional training, either online or by viewing video recordings of the online proceedings, is required for all magistrates. In June 2025, magistrates were updated on new legislation, including statutes that sometimes arise in the context of domestic violence cases. Magistrates were also provided with a review of recent court decisions, including some related to protective order violations. In addition, magistrates have attended other events and classes offering training on domestic violence issues to satisfy the statutory requirement for continuing education for magistrates. A presentation on domestic violence is planned as a plenary session of the magistrates’ annual conference in November 2025.

In 2025, a total of eleven (11) trainings involving protective orders or trauma-informed responses were delivered or are scheduled to be delivered to clerks of

court before the end of the year. Six (6) were in-person trainings and five (5) were virtual/recorded. These trainings were attended by circuit court clerks, general district court clerks, juvenile and domestic relations district court clerks, and magistrates.

Additionally, last year, several Office of the Executive Secretary staff members were certified as trainers in the *Trauma-Informed Response Training for Criminal Justice Professionals* developed by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA-GAINS). In 2025, these trainers delivered the course to court personnel, and thus far 179 judges, magistrates, and clerks have been trained. The half-day course was developed for criminal justice professionals to raise awareness about trauma and its effects. The course addresses the importance of understanding and awareness of the impact of trauma, developing trauma-informed responses, and providing strategies for developing and implementing trauma-informed policies.

Local Court Projects

V-STOP funding was made available in 2025 to local courts or judges through the “Local Court Funding” program to support a variety of intimate partner/ domestic violence projects, events, or training.

In 2025, a total of eighteen (18) courts, judges, or magistrates took advantage of the Local Court Funding to support local domestic violence improvement projects, events, or to attend domestic violence training. Of the eighteen (18) courts, judges, or magistrates funded, ten (10) were local domestic violence improvement projects, three (3) were for attending domestic violence training events, and five (5) were for hosting domestic violence training events.

In November 2025, the “*Enhancing Judicial Skills in Domestic Violence Cases*” workshop was held for interested judges at all levels of court. The two days of training included information on victim and perpetrator behavior, fact-finding, access to justice and the judge's role in the community response to domestic violence, fairness and cultural considerations in domestic violence cases, and decision-making skills and enforcement. The workshop explored these topics through highly interactive formats including hypothetical case problems, role-play exercises, small group discussions, and faculty demonstrations.

I-CAN! Virginia Program

I-CAN! Virginia is a free online forms completion program that enables a person to complete and print out the forms necessary to petition for a protective order in Virginia's district courts. I-CAN! Virginia can be used anywhere a person has access to the Internet and is available in both English and Spanish. I-CAN! Virginia can be accessed through Virginia's Judicial System website at <https://ican.vacourts.gov>.

Online assistance with protective orders through I-CAN! Virginia has been available since 2005 for family abuse protective orders in Virginia's juvenile and domestic relations district courts and since late 2011 for non-family abuse protective orders in Virginia's general district courts. The OES continues to update, improve, and maintain I-CAN! Virginia through V-STOP funding, including making changes to I-CAN! Virginia that reflect the 2025 legislative changes around protective orders.

In 2024, a total of 2,997 users created accounts and accessed both I-CAN! Virginia protective order modules (1,489 family abuse and 1,508 non-family abuse), an increase from 2,759 in 2023.

In the first six months of 2025, a total of 1,955 users created accounts and accessed both I-CAN! Virginia protective order modules (947 family abuse and 1,008 non-family abuse).

The Hope Card Program

A Hope Card is a laminated card, similar in size and shape to a credit card. This voluntary, optional program provides applicants with a wallet-sized card containing essential information about a final protective order in a durable, easy-to-read format. The Hope Card Program began as a pilot project at the Pulaski Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court in 2017. Effective July 1, 2022, the Hope Card Program was expanded to all courts in the Commonwealth of Virginia, pursuant to Virginia Code § 19.2-152.10:1. Information about the Hope Card Program can be accessed through Virginia's Judicial System website at <https://hopecard.vacourts.gov>.

In 2024, a total of 4,222 Hope Cards were issued across the Commonwealth.

In the first six months of 2025, a total of 2,235 Hope Cards were issued.

In addition, two (2) Hope Card trainings took place with 554 Virginia sheriffs trained and 35 law enforcement/attorneys trained. The Hope Card Program was exhibited at six (6) different statewide trainings by the Hope Card Program Coordinator.



Hope Card (front and back)

Mentor Court Program

The Pulaski Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court was originally designated as a national domestic violence mentor court by the Office on Violence Against Women in late 2020. In late 2023, that designation continued with an award that runs through 2025. Toward the end of last year, the Pulaski Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court was matched with courts in Arizona, Washington, Kentucky, and Missouri. Additionally, several Virginia courts have reached out for mentorship, with the aim of modeling similar practices. These courts have observed the work the Pulaski J&DR is doing related to intimate partner violence, family violence, sexual assault, stalking, and dating violence. Sixteen (16) domestic violence docket observations were conducted in 2025. National technical assistance providers have also shared the Pulaski Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court domestic violence court practices with courts around the country to serve as a model in addressing victim safety and offender accountability.

As a component of this program, the Pulaski Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court hosted domestic violence court mentors from across the country to a full-day training program.



VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES¹¹

The mission of the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) is “to provide leadership to improve the criminal justice system in Virginia’s communities through effective training, partnerships, research, regulation, and support.” DCJS is charged with planning and carrying out programs and initiatives to improve the functioning and effectiveness of the criminal justice system as a whole (Code of Virginia § 9.1-102).

The Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services:

- conducts research and evaluation on criminal justice issues;
- develops short and long-term criminal justice plans;
- distributes federal and state funding to localities, state agencies and nonprofit organizations in the areas of law enforcement, prosecution, crime and delinquency prevention, juvenile justice, victims services, corrections and information systems;
- provides training, technical assistance, and program development services to all segments of the criminal justice system;
- establishes and enforces minimum training standards for law enforcement, criminal justice, and private security personnel; and
- licenses and regulates the private security industry in Virginia.



DCJS is unique in state government because of its system-wide perspective on criminal justice. While it directs programs and services to each component of the system, it has an overarching responsibility to view the system as a whole, to understand how changes in one part of criminal justice will affect other parts, and to work to assure that plans and programs are comprehensive.

Within the DCJS Division of Programs and Services, the Victims Services Team leads efforts to best respond to victims of crime throughout the Commonwealth.

Responsibilities of the Victims Services Team include:

- Administering eight grant programs and two direct appropriations using both federal and state funds. Through these programs, the team awarded 426 grants, totaling approximately \$51.4 million in grant awards in SFY 2025 (and CY 2024).
- Developing, facilitating, and coordinating conferences, webinars, and training events.
- Implementing statewide initiatives, such as enhancing Sexual Assault Response Teams, collecting data on the Lethality Assessment Program, and advocating for forensic nurse examiners through the Sexual Assault Forensic Services Program.
- Developing best-practice resource materials, as well as drafting and reviewing policies and legislation.
- Coordinating the response to assist victims of mass casualty events and coordinating Virginia’s Victims Crisis Assistance and Response Team (VCART).
- Providing technical assistance and other support for victim-serving organizations throughout Virginia.

Grant funding administered by the Victims Services Team is primarily focused on the delivery of direct services to crime victims. The grants are supported by federal Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) and Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) funds, as well as state general and special funds. Additionally, since 2022, DCJS has received American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to address needs for direct services related to the pandemic. Victims Services grant recipients include prosecutors, law enforcement agencies, state and local domestic and sexual violence agencies, state and local victim/witness programs, and other victim-serving organizations. As a result, thousands of victims receive services from funded programs, thousands of law enforcement officers and allied professionals receive related training, and dozens of localities benefit from funding and technical assistance.

11. Information provided by Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS).

Virginia Advisory Committee on Sexual and Domestic Violence

Pursuant to Code of Virginia § 9.1-116.2, the Advisory Committee on Sexual and Domestic Violence (Advisory Committee) was established in 2015. The Advisory Committee has the responsibility of advising and assisting the Criminal Justice Services Board and the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS), other state agencies, departments, boards, and institutions of the Commonwealth, along with units of local government, on matters related to the prevention and reduction of sexual and domestic violence in Virginia. In addition, the Advisory Committee promotes the efficient administration of grant funds to state and local programs that provide sexual and domestic violence services.

The Advisory Committee is comprised of 19 members. The members include the following or their designee:

1. Commissioner of Social Services
2. Director of the Department of Criminal Justice Services
3. Commissioner of Health
4. Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development
5. Executive Director of the Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance
6. Executive Director of the Virginia Victim Assistance Network
7. Member of the Senate appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules
8. Member of the House of Delegates appointed by the Speaker of the House
9. Chairman of the Virginia State Crime Commission
10. Attorney General of Virginia

The membership also consists of nine non-legislative citizen members appointed by the Governor, one of whom is a representative of a crime victims' organization or a victim of sexual or domestic violence, and eight of whom are representatives of local sexual and domestic violence agencies.

The Advisory Committee's duties and responsibilities are as follows:

- Promote appropriate and effective responses, services, and prevention for sexual assault and domestic violence across the Commonwealth.
- Promote strong communication, coordination, and strategy at state, regional, and local levels.

DCJS staffs and coordinates the efforts of the Advisory Committee on Sexual and Domestic Violence.

During SFY 2025, the Advisory Committee's work primarily focused on the following:

- Impact of federal actions on sexual and domestic violence victims and services;
- Grant programs and funding available for sexual and domestic violence services;
- Sustainability of sexual and domestic violence service agencies;
- Funding for sexual and domestic violence prevention efforts; and
- Issues surrounding access to services and limits to participating in the criminal justice system for sexual and domestic violence victims with limited English proficiency.

Improving Criminal Justice Responses Grant Program

Improving Criminal Justice Responses to Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence and Stalking Grant Program (ICJR) is a discretionary grant awarded to the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS), in partnership with the Office of the Attorney General of Virginia, the Virginia Poverty Law Center, the Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance, and the Virginia Victim Assistance Network. A grant award of \$1,000,000 was received during the current three-year grant cycle (2022 – 2025) to develop and strengthen policies, protocols, and training for law enforcement officers and prosecutors regarding the investigation and prosecution of sexual assault cases and the appropriate treatment of victims; to strengthen legal advocacy service programs and other services for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, including strengthening assistance to immigrant victims of crime; and to develop state policies, procedures, and protocols for preventing dual arrests and prosecution in cases of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and to develop effective methods for identifying the pattern and history of abuse that indicates which party is the actual perpetrator of abuse.

A grant award of \$1,000,000 was received during the current three-year grant cycle (2022 – 2025) to

- develop and strengthen policies, protocols, and training for law enforcement officers and prosecutors regarding the investigation and prosecution of sexual assault cases and the appropriate treatment of victims;
- strengthen legal advocacy service programs and other services for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, including strengthening assistance to immigrant victims of crime;
- and develop state policies, procedures, and protocols for preventing dual arrests and prosecution in cases of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and to develop effective methods for identifying the pattern and history of abuse that indicates which party is the actual perpetrator of abuse.

48. Information provided by the Department of Criminal Justice Services.

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, DIVISION OF PREVENTION & HEALTH PROMOTION, INJURY & VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM¹²

VDH Response

The Code of Virginia directs the Virginia Department of Health (VDH) to conduct the following activities related to domestic and sexual violence in Virginia.

Data Collection

Pursuant to *Virginia Code* § 32.1-283.3, the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME) collects information on all homicides in the Commonwealth of Virginia and conducts surveillance of those homicides that result from family and intimate partner violence (FIPV). Surveillance of FIPV homicides began in 1999 as a method to describe the magnitude of lethal domestic violence in Virginia. VDH examines death investigation records and identifies cases in which the alleged offender was an intimate partner or family member or where the death was directly related to domestic violence. Once identified, cases are categorized into one of six violence-related homicide types: intimate partner, intimate partner associated, child by caregiver, elder/dependent adult by caregiver, other family, and family associated. Data is shared in an annual data report from the OCME.

Services for Survivors of Sexual Assault Task Force

The Services for Survivors of Sexual Assault Task Force (SSSATF) is established by the Article 8 (§ 32.1- 162.15:2 et seq.) of Chapter 5 of Title 32.1 of the Code of Virginia. The State Health Commissioner, or her designee, chairs the SSSATF and VDH provides staff support. The SSSATF is tasked with:

- Developing model treatment and transfer plans for use by transfer hospitals, treatment hospitals, and pediatric health care facilities;
- Developing model written transfer agreements for use by treatment hospitals, transfer hospitals, and pediatric health care facilities;
- Developing model written agreements for use by treatment hospitals and approved pediatric health care facilities required to enter into agreements with rape crisis centers pursuant to subsection D of § 32.1-162.15:4;
- Working with treatment hospitals and approved pediatric health care facilities to develop plans to employ or contract with sexual assault forensic examiners to ensure the provision of treatment services to survivors of sexual assault by sexual assault forensic examiners, including plans for implementation of on-call systems to ensure availability of sexual assault forensic examiners;
- Working with treatment hospitals and approved pediatric health care facilities to identify and recommend processes to ensure compliance with the provisions of this article related to creation, storage, and retention of photographic and other documentation and evidence;
- Developing and distributing educational materials regarding implementation of the provisions of this article to hospitals, health care providers, rape crisis centers, children's advocacy centers, and others; and
- Studying and providing recommendations to VDH for the use of telemedicine in meeting the requirements of this article.

Having completed the assigned tasks, the 2025 Virginia General Assembly passed legislation to repeal the establishment of the SSSATF effective July 1, 2025 by the Acts 2025, cc.480 and 491, cl.2 (§ 32.1- 162.15:11).

12. Information provided Virginia Department of Health.

VDH is funded through a variety of federal grants to conduct the following activities related to domestic and sexual violence in Virginia.

Rape Prevention and Education Grant

The goal of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Rape Prevention and Education Grant (RPE) is to strengthen sexual violence prevention by focusing on primary prevention efforts which aim to stop sexual violence before it occurs. The RPE program supports comprehensive strategies that implement a public health approach and the CDC's Social-Ecological Model (SEM). The SEM demonstrates that a comprehensive approach is more impactful than a single intervention and can reach larger numbers of people.

During 2024, the RPE program continued to seek to increase the capacity of local communities to effectively engage in primary prevention and to adhere to best available research and practices for primary prevention.

As part of its community level interventions, Virginia's RPE program funded:

- The Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance (VSDVAA) was funded to perform a policy analysis of policies that strengthen household financial security and develop a plan to address economic supports of households within Virginia. Examples of such policies might include family assistance programs (e.g., Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), tax credits, affordable childcare, livable wages, microfinance programs, and comparable worth policies.
- The Sexual Assault Resource Agency (Charlottesville, Virginia) was funded to sustain and expand restaurant industry coalition efforts and implement primary prevention strategies designed to create protective environments, empower women, and lessen harms of those employed and engaged in restaurant service work.
- The Haven (Warsaw, Virginia) was funded to expand coalition efforts and implement primary prevention strategies designed to create protective environments, lessen harms, and enhance community connect-edness through education workshops and integration of food security through community gardens.
- Greater Richmond SCAN (Stop Child Abuse Now) was funded to expand statewide capacity in implementing trauma responsive practices.
- Blue Octopus Consulting (Richmond, Virginia) was funded to update the piloted Coaching Boys into Men/ Athletes as Leaders modified curriculum to best serve those with adaptive needs, and provide technical assistance to other recreational sport agencies serving youth with disabilities. Coaching Boys into Men/ Athletes as Leaders is an evidence-based prevention program that trains coaches and youth leaders to teach their teams about healthy relationships and that violence never equals strength.
- Real Life (Richmond, VA) was funded to provide sustainable education to men through community programs and in local jails and Department of Corrections facilities to prevent sexual and domestic violence perpetration.

Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant

The Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (PHHSBG) is administered by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to help states address their unique public health needs in innovative and locally defined ways targeting objectives identified in Healthy People 2030. A portion of these funds have been used to implement domestic and sexual violence prevention activities.

- Families Forward Virginia was funded to provide training and technical assistance for the implementation of *Darkness to Light* trainer and *Circle of Parents* models in communities across Virginia to prevent child sexual abuse and enhance connectedness for parents and caregivers. *Darkness to Light* utilizes a Social Behavior Change framework to guide work in preventing child sexual abuse, a proven approach for enabling changes at individual, community, and societal levels to improve health and overall well-being. *Circle of Parents* offers a supportive environment facilitated by trained facilitators but led by parents and other caregivers where anyone in a parenting role can openly discuss the successes and challenges of raising children.
- The Brain Injury Association of Virginia was funded to provide training and technical assistance to local sexual and domestic violence and brain injury programs to implement head injury screening, as well as linkage to care models.
- The Virginia Commonwealth University Child Protection Team was funded to provide education to both clinical and non-clinical workforce on best practices related to addressing child abuse and neglect through the Project ECHO™ model.

Maternal Mortality Due to Violence Grant

In 2021, VDH was awarded the five-year initiative, State, Local, Territorial, and Tribal Partnership Programs to Reduce Maternal Mortality due to Violence through the US Department of Health and Human Services Office on Women's Health.

The goal of this grant is to reduce and prevent maternal deaths due to homicide and suicide.

Activities throughout 2025 addressed Intimate Partner Violence as a risk factor leading to homicide and suicide including:

- The continuation of developing and implementing linkages of care models between obstetrics and gynecology and pediatric outpatient settings for pregnant or postpartum women who are at risk for intimate partner violence and suicide in partnership with the Virginia Chapters of American Academy of Pediatrics and American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.
- Pre/postnatal class curriculum development with the provision of violence prevention resources.
- A statewide communications campaign and landing page with resources that addresses intimate partner violence during the pregnant and postpartum period.

National Violent Death Reporting System Grant

VDH receives funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to support the Virginia Violent Death Reporting System (VVDRS). VVDRS cases include, but are not limited to, (1) all cases of suicide where the victim had an intimate partner problem (not necessarily violence), was the perpetrator of interpersonal violence within the past month, and/or was the victim of interpersonal violence within the past month; and (2) all homicides which were related to intimate partner violence and/or intimate partner jealousy or rivalry. Current FIPV data is pulled from this project and utilized for data analysis. Data from 2002-2022 are currently available through VVDRS.



VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS¹³

The Virginia Department of Corrections (VADOC) is committed to enhancing the safety and well-being of victims, children, and the broader community through its sexual and domestic violence services. Our objectives include holding inmates, probationers, and parolees accountable for their actions while supporting their journey toward change.

The DOC's approach to addressing sexual and domestic violence is anchored in three key areas:

1. Evidence-based programs and curricula
2. Comprehensive case planning and community supervision
3. Victim services and advocacy



Inmates attending the Victim Impact: Listen and Learn Program.

13. Information provided by the Virginia Department of Corrections.

Services to victims of intimate partner violence and other crimes include:

- Automated notifications about certain status changes during an inmate's VADOC incarceration, including transfer, parole events, work release, legal name change, death, and release from custody, through the NAAVI system: <https://naavi.virginia.gov>
- Explanation of the incarceration, probation, parole, and re-entry processes
- Re-entry wraparound services and safety planning to prepare for an inmate's release back into the community
- Assistance with unwanted contact and other concerns
- Local referrals and support information

Active programming for inmates and supervisees includes the *Victim Impact: Listen and Learn* curriculum, a 13-week program that demonstrates the long-lasting impact of crime so participants can build greater empathy and accountability and cause less harm in the future. One module of the program is focused on the impact of intimate partner violence.

Despite our efforts, the Agency has faced challenges in securing grant funding to further develop targeted programs for perpetrators on this topic. Without additional financial resources, expanding these specialized services remains a challenge.



Inmates attending the Victim Impact: Listen and Learn Program.



Inmates that attended and completed the 13-week Victim Impact: Listen and Learn Program.

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT¹⁴

The Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) partners with state, federal, local and nonprofit housing and community and economic development initiatives. DHCD programs strive to maintain the vibrancy of communities throughout the Commonwealth and include providing universal broadband access, investing in economic development initiatives, promulgating the statewide building and fire regulations, preserving the affordability and efficiency of Virginia's homes and buildings, addressing homelessness, reducing eviction rates across the state, and fostering innovative solutions to create affordable housing. Most of these programs are designed to help low- and moderate-income citizens. DHCD invests more than \$350 million annually in addition to \$2 billion in federal recovery programs to create safe, affordable, and prosperous communities to live, work, and do business in Virginia.

14. Information provided by the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development.

VIRGINIA SEXUAL AND DOMESTIC ACTION ALLIANCE¹⁵

For nearly 45 years, the Virginia Sexual & Domestic Violence Action Alliance (Action Alliance) has been Virginia's leading voice on sexual and domestic violence. The Action Alliance works to enhance responses to and prevention of sexual and domestic violence, stalking, and human trafficking through training, technical assistance, data collection, public policy, primary prevention programming, public awareness, resource and campaign development, and coalition-building work statewide.

As an advocacy organization, the Action Alliance provides the expertise needed to ensure an effective response to violence. As a service provider, the Action Alliance offers people resources for making informed choices about their safety, bodies, health, and healing. And as a membership organization, the Action Alliance builds diverse alliances across the Commonwealth toward a future where all communities are free of sexual and domestic violence, where healthy relationships and healthy sexuality thrive, and where survivors are empowered in an environment of respect and mutual learning.

As a statewide coalition, the Action Alliance's members include 70+ community-based sexual and domestic violence advocacy agencies (SDVAs), allied organizations providing services to victims of domestic and sexual assault, and other professionals and individuals from diverse communities. The Action Alliance provides an abundance of training each year for its members and community professionals, including webinars, conferences, and workshops/seminars.

For more information on ongoing projects, resources, trainings, and offerings, visit www.vsdvalliance.org.

The information contained in this report, and more, can also be found here: <https://vsdvalliance.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/2024-Annual-Report-FINAL-ELECTRONIC.pdf>.



Project for the Empowerment of Survivors: A Statewide Legal Services Project

Throughout 2024, the Project for Empowerment of Survivors (PES) provided advocacy and legal consultations to a total of 773 survivors, offering trauma-informed consultations, safety planning, referrals, legal information, and legal advice. Most survivors received a minimum of two consultations—one with the project advocate and one with a staff attorney—and many survivors received multiple legal consultations with staff attorneys as their cases and legal matters progressed. During every call, project staff included safety planning and referrals to trauma-informed services.

In addition, PES staff partnered with local SDVAs to coordinate legal clinics, providing legal advice, information, and referrals to community and statewide resources. Many of the survivors reached through legal clinics continued to work with PES staff throughout the year. Through our legal fund, we assisted eleven survivors with their legal fees in matters ranging from divorce to immigration.

14. Information Provided by Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance (VSDVAA).

Virginia's Statewide Sexual and Domestic Violence Hotline (SSDVH)

The Action Alliance provides immediate, trauma-informed, and well-resourced responses to ALL survivors via our Statewide Sexual and Domestic Violence Hotline (SSDVH), which operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Over the past year, SSDVH provided backup support and services for Hotline coverage to 30 member sexual and domestic violence agencies, hosted virtual meetups for Executive Directors, Front Line Crisis Response Workers, Shelter Staff, and Advocates every other month to identify statewide trends and highlights in survivor advocacy, and delivered ongoing technical assistance to member agencies regarding the provision of crisis response services in communities.

In 2024, the SSDVH provided crisis intervention and advocacy services via chat, text, and phone to 11,227 survivors of sexual violence, domestic violence, stalking, and trafficking. Through the legal services project, 773 free over-the-phone legal consultations were provided to sexual and domestic violence survivors who reported needing legal advocacy and advice.

Additionally, SSDVH maintained collaborative partnerships with the Virginia Department of Corrections (DOC) through the Prison Rape Elimination Act Initiative (PREA) to provide trauma-informed services and support to individuals impacted by sexual violence during incarceration. SSDVH also worked closely with Just Detention International to increase national partnership, collaboration, resource building, and skill development on behalf of individuals affected by incarceration and sexual violence.

"The legal advocacy team are very informative and helped a lot with a custody issue."

— Survivor Hotline Caller

"We are thankful for the opportunity to transfer our local crisis lines to the Statewide Hotline so that we can be more hands-on with the residents who are here with us at the shelter. Thanks for all you all do!"

— Sexual and Domestic Violence Agency

Statewide Training Retreat for Sexual and Domestic Violence Advocates

At the heart of Virginia's sexual and domestic violence movement is the foundational belief that every survivor deserves safety, every child deserves the opportunity to thrive, and every community has the power to create the conditions that make this vision a reality.

To this end, on May 20–22, 2025, the Action Alliance held its biennial Spring Training Retreat in Natural Bridge, VA, themed *"The Power of We."* This was an opportunity to hear from survivors, advocates, attorneys, and state and national leaders in shaping effective responses to and prevention of sexual and domestic violence. The Training Retreat was a huge success, with more than 130 participants and 33 unique training workshops, keynote sessions, and peer connection spaces focused on exploring the practical application of skills-building and organizing within the context of their current community climate.

Four keynote/plenary sessions were held during the conference that were designed to build upon one another and focus on individual, relational, community, and movement power-building. These included: Caitlin Bradley, former Action Alliance staff, presenting on *The Power of Me*; Alexis Flanagan of the Resonance Network presenting on *Love, Imagination, and the Power of Us*; a panel discussion featuring movement leaders Nan Stoops (Washington

State Coalition Against Domestic Violence), Vanessa Timmons (Consultant, Storyteller, Healer), Kelly Miller (Collective Acceleration), and Kristi VanAudenhove (Action Alliance); and Kristi VanAudenhove presenting on the visionary movement builders the world needs.

The Spring Training Retreat was very successful in offering Virginia's sexual and domestic violence agencies opportunities to reflect, connect, have fun, and think critically about how we can strengthen individual, community, and movement-wide capacity to sustain our work, prevent future violence, and enhance the lives of sexual and domestic violence survivors.

Virginia's SAVES (Safe Access for Victims' Economic Security) Project

Virginia is one of only 12 states (and one tribe) that receives federal funds from the federal Office of Child Support Services for a multi-year, statewide project to support domestic violence survivors who need child support services but are unable to safely access them because of the violence they are experiencing.

Virginia's SAVES goals are:

- 4.** Implement comprehensive domestic violence safety policies, procedures, and outreach activities to enhance safety for survivors of domestic violence in the child support program.
- 5.** Increase access to child support and parenting time services for parents not currently receiving child support due to safety concerns.
- 6.** Ensure all policy and programmatic change is driven by the voices of survivors, DV experts, and child support customers through contractual partnerships and an advisory council.

The Action Alliance has been working closely—as a grant partner, content expert, and strategic advisor—with Virginia's Division of Child Support Enforcement (DCSE) to plan and implement the goals of this project. In 2024, the focus of the project was to open avenues of collaboration between DCSE and local domestic violence advocates across the Commonwealth. Reciprocal training relationships and capacity building for child support and TANF case managers and domestic violence advocates alike were a major priority for our team. To this end, the team worked to create and host Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM) events around the state that brought together child support workers and domestic violence advocates in each locality. Child support workers used the month of October to collect donated goods for shelter residents and then gifted them to agencies at planned training events. The campaign was a successful way of introducing local partners and building mutual capacity to engage in trauma-informed work together and on behalf of children and families.

Additionally, in 2024 the statewide SAVES Advisory Council kicked off. This group of domestic violence survivors, advocates, attorneys, and child support and TANF workers convenes monthly to review policies, protocols, and educational materials with the goal of creating greater access to child support for domestic violence survivors. In 2025, the group's work has largely focused on the launch of a pilot project to embed safety navigators into the child support process and ensure greater transparency, voice, and choice for those who need child support but also have safety concerns regarding access.

Public Policy Updates

Public policy is a critical component of comprehensive and effective survivor advocacy. The Action Alliance monitors the development and implementation of state and federal laws that affect survivors of sexual violence, intimate partner violence, stalking, trafficking, hate crimes, and other forms of interpersonal violence, as well as those laws that affect SDVAs. In 2024 and 2025, the Action Alliance continued to provide support and resources on survivor-focused public policy efforts—from drafting legislation and providing testimony in legislative hearings to organizing across our membership, legislators, state government, and policy allies to support meaningful systems change.

In 2024 and 2025, the Action Alliance joined forces with the Children’s Advocacy Centers of Virginia (CACVA) and the Virginia Victim Assistance Network (VVAN) to propose an all-encompassing and integrative statewide fund to ensure that all victims of crime can access the services they need. Frontline victim service providers across Virginia continue to see an unrelenting spike in pleas for services as a direct result of the pandemic. This spike, coupled with ongoing and worsening funding cuts (VOCA, TANF, etc.), the end of pandemic-era relief funding, and a historical lack of state investment in services, has thrust Virginia’s crisis response agencies into crisis themselves—pushing community safety nets to their limits. The need is tremendous, and immediate action was warranted to ensure that agencies can continue providing life-saving services to victims throughout Virginia.

Along with the Chief Patron of the bill, Senator Barbara Favola (40th Senate District) and Delegate Karrie Delaney (9th House District), we proposed an initial \$30 million per year investment in victim services. With the help of more than 200 advocates from Children’s Advocacy Centers, Sexual and Domestic Violence Agencies, and Victim/Witness Assistance Programs, the *Put Victims First* VA campaign was successful in securing \$29,553,600 in new funding for frontline victims’ services. This is the largest state investment our field has ever seen, which stands as a testament to the power of our collective advocacy. But this campaign is far from over. As funds for victim services continue to decrease, we are more committed than ever to a sustainable and robust future for victims’ services in Virginia.

For more on the 2024 budget numbers and bills of interest that passed, please follow this link to access the New 2024 Virginia Law resource (released in July 2024):

<https://vsdvalliance.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/New-2024-Virginia-Law.pdf>

The Action Alliance’s *Advocacy in Virginia 2024* report was released in 2025 and is available to the public. The report contains robust information about advocacy efforts on behalf of domestic and sexual violence survivors across the state. Seventy sexual and domestic violence agencies across Virginia use VAdat.org, a secure, web-based data system maintained by the Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance, to document survivor experiences and the services the agencies provide. As the Commonwealth’s primary repository of information on the experiences of survivors and the services they receive, VAdat plays a critical role in shaping our understanding of the impacts of sexual and domestic violence in Virginia.

In 2024, Virginia’s network of sexual and domestic violence advocates delivered more than 275,000 hours of support to survivors, supported more than 27,700 survivors through in-person services, answered over 68,600 hotline calls, and provided thousands of adults and children with safe shelter and housing. These numbers reflect more than service delivery; they represent moments of safety, connection, and possibility in the midst of crisis. Across the Commonwealth, advocates face escalating and increasingly complex challenges. Survivors are not only confronting violence but are also caught in a tightening web of housing instability, deepening trauma, fractured family ties, and relentless economic hardship. The strain on the system is mounting, pushing it to its limits as it struggles to ensure every survivor can find someone to call, somewhere to go, and a path toward safety.

Highlights from the 2024 report include:

- **Hotline contacts** made in 2024: **68,641**
- **22,000 adults** and **5,703 children** received crisis support, totaling more than 275,000 hours of services provided by sexual and domestic violence advocates.
- **3,237 adults** and **2,312 children** received **232,601 total nights of emergency shelter**.
- **Shelter requests denied** due to lack of bed space and/or funding: **1,083**
- Survivors and families in transitional housing in 2024: **183 adults and 155 children were housed** in transitional housing facilities/units run by sexual and domestic violence agencies, totaling **105,070 nights of support—the highest in five years**.
 - The rising number of nights survivors spend in transitional housing points to deepening barriers to permanent housing. Despite serving about the same number of people each year, survivors are staying longer, reflecting the impact of housing shortages, poverty, discrimination, and systemic inequities. Sexual and domestic violence programs are doing more with the same limited resources, absorbing the weight of a strained housing system while continuing to offer a crucial bridge to long-term safety. Survivors aren't just in transition—they're stuck. Without more investment in affordable housing, rental assistance, and wraparound services, too many will remain in limbo, unable to move forward despite their readiness to rebuild.
- **Danger and lethality:** 19% of survivors (about 1 in 5) reported a weapon being used against them, most often firearms. More than a quarter of survivors reported threats of homicide and/or suicide at the hands of their abuser. Over 20% of survivors reported being strangled or having their airways obstructed. 24% reported the deliberate destruction of property.

More from this report, including data revealing the worsening economic impacts of violence on survivors and the use of primary prevention strategies around the state, can be found here:

<https://vsdvalliance.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/VAdata-report-2024-4.pdf>

2024 Highlights



27,703
ADULTS & CHILDREN
RECEIVED CRISIS
SUPPORT



232,601
NIGHTS OF
EMERGENCY SHELTER



105,070
NIGHTS OF
TRANSITIONAL HOUSING
SUPPORT – THE HIGHEST
IN FIVE YEARS

2025 Data

Data is continuously being entered into the VAdata system and analyzed. Below are preliminary datasets broken down by quarter during this calendar year. You can also find this information published here: <https://vsdvalliance.org/statistics-and-data/>

January – March 2025	April – June 2025
Hotline Data	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Number of calls to hotlines across Virginia: 17,014• Hotline hours of service: 8,402	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Number of calls to hotlines across Virginia: 17,565• Hotline hours of service: 8,461
Sheltering Data	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Requests for emergency shelter: 4,533, of which shelter was provided, offered, or arranged 2,329 times• Number of times shelter was requested but full: 236• Adults in shelter during the period: 996• Children in shelter during the period: 699	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Requests for emergency shelter: 5,151, of which shelter was provided, offered, or arranged 2,635 times• Number of times shelter was requested but full: 287
Advocacy Data	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• People served via crisis response advocacy services: 9,591• Hours of advocacy services: 68,357	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• People served via crisis response advocacy services: 9,781• Hours of advocacy services: 69,431
Risk Assessment Data	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Almost 3 of every 20 survivors had a weapon used against them (14%)• Nearly 3 of every 20 survivors stated the perpetrator blocked or obstructed their breathing (14%)• 1 in 10 were threatened with a firearm (9%)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Almost 4 of every 20 survivors had a weapon used against them (15%)• Nearly 4 of every 20 survivors stated the perpetrator blocked or obstructed their breathing (16%)• Nearly 1 in 10 were threatened with a firearm (8%)
As a result of the violence:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3 of every 20 survivors missed time from work or school (15%)• 1 in 5 experienced a loss of income/financial security (20%)• 1 in 10 became homeless (11%)• 1 in 5 had to relocate (19%)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4 of every 20 survivors missed time from work or school (16%)• 1 in 5 experienced a loss of income/financial security (21%)• Nearly 2 in 10 became homeless (14%)• More than 1 in 5 had to relocate (22%)

THE FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND OF VIRGINIA (FACT)¹⁶

FACT is administered by a Board of Trustees appointed by the Governor, Speaker of the House of Delegates, and Senate Committee on Rules. *The Board of Trustees is vested with the statutory authority to:*

1. Encourage, approve, and accept gifts, contributions, bequests, or grants from any public or private source to carry out the purposes of FACT;
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5. Advise the Department of Social Services, the Board of Social Services, and the Governor on matters concerning programs for the prevention of child abuse and neglect and family violence, the treatment of abused and neglected children and their families, and such other issues related to child abuse and neglect and family violence as identified by the Commissioner;
6. Communicate to the Departments of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, Corrections, Criminal Justice Services, Education, Health, and Juvenile Justice, and other state agencies as appropriate, as well as the Attorney General, activities of the Board of Trustees related to efforts to prevent and treat child abuse and neglect and violence within families; and
7. Encourage public awareness activities concerning child abuse and neglect and violence within families.



FACT is primarily funded by direct donations from public and private sources, revenue from the sale of the KIDS FIRST license plates, and voluntary donations on state income tax returns. In FY25, FACT received approximately \$130,000 from its license plate campaign, \$30,000 from state income tax return donations, \$314,000 from a portion of proceeds from Virginia casinos, and \$80,000 from investment earnings, direct donations, and government funds.

Prevention of Abuse Against People with Disabilities

FACT continues to support the expansion of the Leadership for Empowerment and Abuse Prevention (LEAP) project developed by the Partnership for People with Disabilities and VCU's School of Social Work. LEAP provides training on healthy relationships and preventing abuse to adults with disabilities. The training consists of four face-to-face 90-minute sessions co-taught by a trainer with a disability and a co-trainer.

Following the successful launch of two LEAP Certified Centers for Abuse Prevention and Safety (C-CAPS) in Richmond and Harrisonburg last fiscal year, FACT provided \$200,000 in FY25 to expand the project to Southwest Virginia and Hampton Roads.

As the first release in our Special Populations Series, FACT published the *People with Disabilities Issue Brief*. This series highlights populations at heightened risk for family violence who may face additional barriers to accessing services. These briefs serve as valuable educational tools for service providers, community leaders, facilitators, and organizational leaders.

16. Information is provided by the Family and Children's Trust Fund of Virginia (FACT).

Problematic Sexual Behavior Project

Despite gains in understanding cases involving children who engage in problematic sexual behavior (PSB) against other children, responses by public-serving entities remain inconsistent. This is particularly true in cases where the child exhibiting PSB is under age 12 or has a disability. Many of these cases “fall between the cracks” of jurisdictional responses.

In FY25, FACT continued working with Justice 3D to improve responses to these cases. Following the 2023 guidance document, a three-day Train-the-Trainer curriculum and toolkit for Multi-Disciplinary Teams (MDTs) was developed.

Beginning in 2026, three pilot communities will be selected to receive the program for implementation in their localities.

System Responses to Child Fatalities

After two years of research, FACT released a report consolidating information on Virginia’s current efforts around child fatality investigations and death reviews, while analyzing comparable data on these cases. Many involve prior child welfare involvement for maltreatment or domestic violence. This report is the first of its kind and serves as a call to action for improvements in how communities respond to one of the greatest tragedies they face: the death of children.

Child Sexual Abuse Prevention

In February 2025, FACT released *The Foundational State Plan for Preventing Child Sexual Abuse in Virginia: A Preliminary Framework for Collaboration*. This plan serves as a preliminary guide for policymakers and advocates to address child safety and well-being challenges through a state-based framework, representing the first step toward a unified position on child sexual abuse prevention across state partners.

To expand these prevention efforts at the local level, FACT established a grant program for Child Advocacy Centers (CACs). Grants of \$10,000 each were awarded to nine CACs across Virginia to support evidence-informed and promising practices in preventing child sexual abuse.

Emergency Funds Project

The FACT Emergency Funds Project provides flexible funding to organizations across Virginia to assist families experiencing violence with unexpected expenses not covered by other funding sources. Having to choose between covering the cost of a car repair or paying fees for a child’s participation in after-school activities can place significant stress on families already struggling to survive. These funds help strengthen the resiliency of such families.

In FY25, FACT awarded \$5,000 Emergency Funds Project grants to 17 Domestic Violence/Sexual Violence agencies, 19 Home Visiting agencies, and two Two-Generation/Whole Family Pilot agencies, totaling \$190,000. An additional \$10,000 was awarded to Greater Richmond Stop Child Abuse Now (SCAN) to provide emergency funds for Department of Juvenile Justice youth involved with the 12th and 14th District Court Services Units.

Ad Hoc Grants

FACT provides Ad Hoc Grant awards to organizations hosting statewide or local activities, such as conferences or trainings, that focus on improving the prevention, treatment, or public awareness of family violence in Virginia. In FY25, FACT awarded 17 ad hoc grants totaling \$79,500.

The Board of Trustees increased the maximum grant award from \$3,000 to \$5,000. As a result, FACT was able to provide more than three times the total funding compared to FY24. Further expansions have been approved for FY26, which will continue to increase the impact of these funds across the Commonwealth.

VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY, VIRGINIA CENTER ON AGING¹⁷

The Virginia Center on Aging (VCoA), housed in the College of Health Professions at Virginia Commonwealth University, was created by legislation enacted by the Virginia General Assembly in 1978. The Center is “an interdisciplinary study, research, information and resource facility for the Commonwealth of Virginia.” VCoA is the only such center in Virginia.

VCoA has initiatives that address abuse in later life and elder abuse. From July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025, VCoA’s Elder Justice work was supported in part by V-STOP (Virginia Services, Training, Officers, Prosecutors) via the Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS), the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW), and the Administration for Community Living (ACL).

Abuse in Later Life Project

The *Abuse in Later Life Project*, funded by the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS), allows VCoA to work throughout the state to address both family and intimate partner abuse in later life. This project was approved at level funding, for a total award of \$219,389, and the project period is 1/1/2024 through 12/31/2025. Areas of focus for the project are shown through the Central Virginia Task Force on Domestic Violence in Later Life, participation in statewide groups, training and technical assistance, and developing and disseminating materials.

Project Highlights from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025:



16
**TRAINING EVENTS FACILITATED
AROUND THE STATE**



784
PROFESSIONALS WERE TRAINED



31
**CONSULTATIONS & TECHNICAL
ASSISTANCE SESSIONS PROVIDED
TO AGENCIES & ORGANIZATIONS
ACROSS THE COMMONWEALTH**

Peninsula Elder Justice Services and Training Initiative

The *Peninsula Elder Justice Services and Training Initiative*, funded by the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW), creates a unique opportunity for providing or enhancing training and services to address elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation, including domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, involving victims who are 50 years of age or older.

The Virginia Center on Aging received a subaward in the amount of \$290,361 for a project period of 10/1/2024 – 9/30/2028. This initiative is a partnership with the Martha W. Goodson Center at Riverside Health and the Peninsula Elder Abuse Forensic Center to better equip law enforcement, prosecutors, aging services, anti-violence agencies, and direct service providers working with older adults with more education and resources to recognize and respond to elder abuse. This will be accomplished by offering training using national curriculums tailored to the Peninsula, creation of a Legal Remedies and Victim Resource Guide, and the ongoing work of a community-coordinated response to elder abuse through the Peninsula Elder Abuse Forensic Center.

Project Highlights from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025:

- Team members completed grant orientation and the National Clearinghouse on Abuse in Later Life (NCALL) Law Enforcement and Direct Services Train-the-Trainers in May and June.
- The core training team consists of members from Avalon Center, Commonwealth’s Attorney of Newport News, Commonwealth’s Attorney of York-Poquoson, City of Newport News Police Department, Peninsula Area Agency on Aging, Riverside Forensic Nursing Program, York-Poquoson Department of Social Services, and York-Poquoson Victim Witness.
- A community needs assessment was conducted, and an Outreach and Services Strategic Plan was submitted for approval.
- The team is also involved in the Emergency Task Force on Caregiver Crisis and Older Adult Mental Health, hosted by the Peninsula Area Agency on Aging.

17. Information provided by Virginia Commonwealth University, Virginia Center of Aging (VCoA).

Virginia HEAR

Virginia HEAR (Helping Elders Access Resources) is funded by the Administration for Community Living (ACL) with a grant of \$1.31 million (100% federal funding) for the project period of 9/01/2022 – 8/31/2025. The project aims to raise awareness about elder abuse, highlight the role ageism plays, and demonstrate how to respond to and support elders through education and knowledge of community resources.

Virginia HEAR is an award-winning training program that equips Virginians with the knowledge and tools to address elder justice and ageism, making Virginia a safer place to grow older. Through the program, participants learn how to recognize and respond to elder mistreatment using a community-based, multidisciplinary approach that strengthens collective action across Virginia. In addition, through the development of the Safety Connector, Virginia HEAR also helps connect older adults, families, and caregivers with essential information and local support resources. For those passionate about elder justice, the program also provides opportunities to champion and facilitate HEAR trainings within their communities, expanding awareness and impact statewide.

Project Highlights from July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025:

- Launch of the Safety Connector on Virginia Easy Access to connect those in need of support to local and regional services and resources (<https://easyaccess.virginia.gov/safety>)
- Received a Best Practice Award from the Commonwealth Council on Aging
- 28 in-person trainings facilitated
- 660 participants reached
- 86 individuals enrolled in the free online course (<https://chp.catalog.vcu.edu/courses/elder-justice-and-ageism-virginia-helping-elders-access-resources-hear>)
- 23 presentations delivered to statewide audiences, including:
 - Area Agencies on Aging
 - V4A Executive Committee
 - Elder Justice MDTs
 - No Wrong Door (NWD) Data Ambassadors, Executive Directors, and Advisory Councils
 - National conferences (Gerontological Society of America; ADvancing States HCBS)
 - Service providers (e.g., Jewish Family Services, Safe Harbor)



VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY, PARTNERED WITH LINKING OUTREACH, TRUST, UNDERSTANDING, AND SAFETY FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES¹⁸

With feedback from our interdisciplinary Advisory Board, the I-CAN! Accessibility Project has changed its name to LOTUS: Linking Outreach, Trust, Understanding, and Safety for People with Disabilities.



The Project hosts two training module series. One module series is designed to help providers ensure their services are accessible to people with disabilities. Over 1,800 people have accessed this training series. The other module series is designed to help providers ensure their services are accessible to people who are deaf or hard of hearing. Over 170 people have accessed this training. In addition, the Project maintains a YouTube page that contains information and resources about abuse for survivors with disabilities. The YouTube page has 2,729 views and 15 subscribers.

The English and Spanish versions of the *Understanding Protective Orders* booklet were updated and distributed to community partners in April. The Project maintains an active Advisory Board that meets twice a year.

The Project continued to hold the ECHO series every month and had great engagement during the sessions. When asked how they plan to share the information provided in the ECHO sessions, a participant shared the following:

"Awareness of resources available to assist persons and their families; thinking about alternative ways to communicate with persons who cannot speak or speak another language; the knowledge learned from attending these informative ECHOs will assist me in my work with families, to consider needs and work through finding solutions to needs of families, to think outside the box when families face frustration in care/lack of care."

This year, the Project conducted an IRB study about consent and people with disabilities. Preliminary results demonstrate that education about consent is a gap among providers, and that providers do not have consistent views on consent and healthy relationships. Interviewees discussed the need to educate providers on how to talk to clients about consent. The findings will be used to develop training in this topic area.

The Project is actively engaged with the following boards/task forces: Central Virginia Task Force on Domestic Violence in Later Life, Chesterfield County Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Task Force, CASA/CJA Advisory Committee, and the Virginia Anti-Violence Project.

Funding support from DCJS has allowed our Project to address the unique needs of professionals who are working with survivors of abuse who have disabilities. We have been able to increase the access of materials and resources for people with disabilities who are being abused, as demonstrated by updating the *Protective Orders* booklet. In addition, we have been able to increase people's awareness of the unique aspects of abuse of people with disabilities so that they can better support them.

<https://projectlotus.partnership.vcu.edu/>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXNzNB4hIC492Q0iVxWaMMw>



18. Information provided by VCU partnered with Linking Outreach, Trust, Understanding, and Safety for People with Disabilities (LOTUS).



VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE¹⁹

The Virginia Department of State Police (VSP) serves the Commonwealth as the primary state law enforcement agency and assists the criminal justice system in a wide range of capacities. One of VSP's primary responsibilities involves the sharing of information with other members of the criminal justice system.

The Criminal Justice Information Systems Division (CJIS) is responsible for administering the systems that are used to disseminate this information. This information is made available through multiple databases, including the Virginia Criminal Information Network (VCIN), the Central Criminal Records Exchange (CCRE), the Virginia Sex Offender and Crimes Against Minors Registry, the Virginia Protective Order Registry, the Virginia Firearms Transaction Center (VFTC), and the Biometrics Records Section (BRS).

VSP also serves as the central repository for multiple law enforcement data collections, such as Incident-Based Reporting data (crime), Use of Force data, and Community Policing Act data (stop data), reported by law enforcement agencies across the Commonwealth. The Data Analysis & Reporting Team (DART) section of the CJIS Division collects, analyzes, and disseminates statistics to stakeholders across the Commonwealth. Incident-Based Reporting data is combined into an annual report, *Crime in Virginia*.

More information is available at:

<https://vsp.virginia.gov/sections-units-bureaus/bass/criminal-justice-information-services/uniform-crime-reporting/>

		2023		
Assaults		Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
18.2-57.2 (B)	Hate Crime	20	-	20
	TOTAL ASSAULTS*	20	-	20
Stalking				
16.1-253.2	Protective order violation	467	5264	5731
18.2-60.3	Stalking	9	923	932
18.2-60.4	Stalking/violation of protective order	179	2232	2411
	TOTAL STALKING*	655	8419	9074
Sex Offenses				
18.2-355	Prostitution	7	-	7
18.2-356	Prostitution, money to procure	4	-	4
18.2-357	Sex trafficking, intent to receive money	12	-	12
18.2-357.1	Prostitution, receive earnings	36	-	36
18.2-61	Rape	622	-	622
18.2-63	Carnal knowledge 13-14Y	215	-	215
18.2-67.2	Object sexual penetration	367	1	368
18.2-67.3	Sexual battery	1105	1	1106
18.2-67.4	Sexual battery	69	314	383
18.2-370 (A)	Indecent liberties with child <14-15Y	15	-	15
18.2.370	Indecent liberties with child <14-15Y	542	-	542
	TOTAL SEX OFFENSES*	2994	316	3310

* Data includes all arrests and all dispositions

** 2025 data includes all data reported through August 1, 2025

19. Information provided by Virginia Department of State Police (VSP).

		2024			2025			% Change 2023-2024	% Change 2024-2025 YTD	% Change 2023-2025 YTD
Assaults		Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total			
18.2-57.2 (B)	Hate Crime	13	-	13	8	-	8			
	TOTAL ASSAULTS*	13	-	13	8	-	8	-35%	-38%	-60%
Stalking										
16.1-253.2	Protective order violation	399	5859	6258	211	3108	3319	9%	-47%	-42%
18.2-60.3	Stalking	16	943	959	3	591	594	3%	-38%	-36%
18.2-60.4	Stalking/violation of protective order	133	2171	2304	49	1316	1365	-4%	-41%	-43%
	TOTAL STALKING*	548	8973	9521	263	5015	5278	5%	-45%	-42%
Sex Offenses										
18.2-355	Prostitution	16	-	16	16	-	16	129%	0%	129%
18.2-356	Prostitution, money to procure	4	-	4	6	-	6	0%	50%	50%
18.2-357	Sex trafficking, intent to receive money	34	-	34	39	-	39	183%	15%	225%
18.2-357.1	Prostitution, receive earnings	49	-	49	37	-	37	36%	-24%	3%
18.2-61	Rape	623	-	623	331	-	331	0%	-47%	-47%
18.2-63	Carnal knowledge 13-14Y	220	-	220	106	-	106	2%	-52%	-51%
18.2-67.2	Object sexual penetration	347	-	347	208	-	208	-6%	-40%	-43%
18.2-67.3	Sexual battery	905	1	906	514	-	514	-18%	-43%	-54%
18.2-67.4	Sexual battery	71	370	441	20	208	228	15%	-48%	-40%
18.2-370 (A)	Indecent liberties with child <14-15Y	29	-	29	19	-	19	93%	-34%	27%
18.2.370	Indecent liberties with child <14-15Y	538	-	538	292	-	292	-1%	-46%	-46%
	TOTAL SEX OFFENSES*	2836	371	3207	1588	208	1796	-3%	-44%	-46%

* Data includes all arrests and all dispositions

** 2025 data includes all data reported through August 1, 2025



LEGISLATIVE UPDATE 2025

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Passed Legislation

Protective orders in cases of family abuse; maximum time valid:

Delegate Michelle Lopes Maldonado (Chief Patron)

Provides that if the court finds, based upon evidence presented, that the respondent has been subject to a previous permanent protective order in cases of family abuse issued within 10 years, the court may issue a permanent protective order in a case of family abuse for a specified period of time up to a maximum of four years. The bill further provides that such protective order may be extended for a period of not longer than two years, regardless of whether such order was initially issued for a period of time up to a maximum of two years or four years. Current law allows such protective orders to be issued for a specified period of time up to a maximum of two years and extended for a period of time not longer than two years.

<https://lis.virginia.gov/bill-details/20251/HB2123>

Virginia Residential Landlord and Tenant Act; early termination of rental agreement; victims of family abuse, sexual abuse or criminal sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking:

Senator Russet Perry (Chief Patron)

Provides that a tenant who is a victim of family abuse, sexual abuse or other criminal sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking may terminate such tenant's obligations under an active and current rental agreement if the tenant has obtained a preliminary protective order or a magistrate, law-enforcement agency, grand jury, special grand jury, or court has issued a warrant, summons, information, or indictment charging any such crime. Under current law, there must be a permanent protective order or a conviction before the tenant may terminate such obligations under a rental agreement. As introduced, this bill was a recommendation of the Virginia Housing Commission.

<https://lis.virginia.gov/bill-details/20251/SB884>

Services for sexual assault patients; provision of information for sexual assault patients; Task Force on Services for Survivors of Sexual Assault; work group; report:

Delegate Karrie Delaney (Chief Patron)/Senator Jennifer Boysko (Chief Patron)

Changes instances of "sexual assault survivor" and its variations to "sexual assault patient." The bill requires health care facilities to provide information on local or statewide sexual and domestic violence advocacy services to adult and pediatric patients. The bill removes language requiring hospitals to enter into a memorandum of understanding with rape crisis centers, removes language allowing sexual assault patients to be transferred to clinics, and repeals the statute establishing the Task Force on Services for Survivors of Sexual Assault. The bill directs the Director of the Department of Criminal Justice Services to convene a work group to address sustainable funding for sexual assault medical forensic examinations and services. The bill requires the work group to submit a report with recommendations to the Chairs of the House Committee on Health and Human Services, the House Committee on Appropriations, the Senate Committee on Education and Health, and the Senate Committee on Finance and Appropriations by November 1, 2025. This bill is identical to [SB 1005](#).

HB1731/SB1005

<https://lis.virginia.gov/bill-details/20251/HB1731>

Passed Legislation (cont.)

Child victims and witnesses; using two-way closed-circuit television:

Delegate Karrie Delaney (Chief Patron)

Allows the court to order that the testimony of a child be taken by two-way closed-circuit television or other securely encrypted two-way audio and video technology if it finds that the child is unavailable to testify in open court in the presence of the defendant, the jury, the judge, and the public if the court finds, by clear and convincing evidence, based upon expert opinion testimony, that the child will suffer at least moderate emotional trauma that is more than nervousness or excitement or some reluctance to testify as a result of testifying in the defendant's presence and not in the courtroom generally where such trauma would impair the child's ability to communicate.

Under current law, the court may order such testimony be taken by two-way closed-circuit television if it finds that (i) the child has a substantial inability to communicate about the offense or (ii) there is a substantial likelihood, based upon expert opinion testimony, that the child will suffer severe emotional trauma from so testifying.

The bill also extends the application window for the party seeking such order from seven to 14 days before the trial date or such other preliminary proceeding to which such order is to apply.

<https://lis.virginia.gov/bill-details/20251/HB1728>

Rejected Legislation

Address Confidentiality Program; removal of Program participant, penalty:

Senator Emily Jordan (Chief Patron)/Delegate Amanda Batten (Chief Patron)

Permits the Office of the Attorney General to cancel a participant's certification in the Address Confidentiality Program if such Program participant has reached the age of 18, is not incapacitated, and did not submit recertification for participation in the Program within 60 days of his eighteenth birthday. The bill penalizes any individual who knowingly discloses or publishes a Program participant's confidential address or any other confidential information with intent to coerce, intimidate, or harass such Program participant or any other person.

SB1092/HB2556

<https://lis.virginia.gov/bill-details/20251/SB1092>

Authority of Attorney General; criminal cases; criminal sexual assault and commercial sex trafficking committed against children:

Delegate Wren Williams (Chief Patron)/Senator J.D. Diggs (Chief Patron)

Authorizes the Attorney General to institute or conduct criminal prosecutions in cases involving a violation of criminal sexual assault or commercial sex trafficking when such crimes are committed against children.

HB1556/SB1026

<https://lis.virginia.gov/bill-details/20251/HB1556>

Rejected Legislation (cont.)

Domestic and Sexual Assault Conviction Database; established:

Delegate Ian Lovejoy (Chief Patron)

Requires the Superintendent of State Police to establish a Domestic and Sexual Assault Conviction Database that would include information on persons who were convicted of certain offenses against a family or household member, defined in the bill. The Database will be available to the public on the Department of State Police website. Persons whose information is on the Database may petition for removal of their information from the Database if certain requirements are met, and the State Police shall include such petition information on the Database website. Under the bill, the Superintendent of State Police is required to complete the Database by July 1, 2026.

<https://lis.virginia.gov/bill-details/20251/HB1991>

Admission of evidence; evidentiary hearing, excluded persons (Rape Shield Motions):

Delegate Delores Oates (Chief Patron)

Exempts one person whose presence, in the judgment of the court, would be supportive of the complaining witness and would not impair the conduct of a fair hearing or pose a substantial risk of influencing or affecting the content of the testimony from being excluded from evidentiary hearings for certain prosecutions. The bill provides that if such support person is exempted, the judge shall admonish such support person to not prompt, communicate with, or influence the complaining witness in any way. Lastly, the bill provides that a court may exercise its discretion to remove the support person from the courtroom if it believes such support person is prompting, communicating with, or influencing the complaining witness.

<https://lis.virginia.gov/bill-details/20251/HB1839>



**APPENDIX A –
ADDITIONAL DATA**

APPENDIX A²⁰

Table A-1: Arrests and Case Dispositions for Misdemeanor Violations of Family Abuse Protective Orders, 2024-2025

CONVICTIONS						NON-CONVICTIONS					
Year	Code Section	Felony/ Misdemeanor	Total Arrests	Guilty	Adjudicated Delinquent	Total Non Convictions	Not Guilty	Noelle Processed	Dismissed	Mentally Insane	Deferred or Other
2024	16.2-253.2	M	2,908	845	0	366	149	1,358	171	1	15
2025	16.2-253.2	M	2,561	634	0	743	139	953	89	0	10

Table A-2: Arrests and Case Dispositions for Felony Violations of Family Abuse Protective Orders (Third or Subsequent Offense Within 20 Years), 2024-2025

CONVICTIONS						NON-CONVICTIONS					
Year	Code Section	Felony/ Misdemeanor	Total Arrests	Guilty	Adjudicated Delinquent	Total Non Convictions	Not Guilty	Noelle Processed	Dismissed	Mentally Insane	Deferred or Other
2024	16.2-253.2	F	210	92	0	29	3	81	5	0	0
2025	16.2-253.2	F	179	50	0	66	0	50	9	0	4

Table A-3: Arrests and Case Dispositions for Misdemeanor Stalking, 2024-2025

CONVICTIONS						NON-CONVICTIONS					
Year	Code Section	Felony/ Misdemeanor	Total Arrests	Guilty	Adjudicated Delinquent	Total Non Convictions	Not Guilty	Noelle Processed	Dismissed	Mentally Insane	Deferred or Other
2024	18.2-60.3	M	480	77	0	62	41	198	75	0	26
2025	18.2-60.3	M	501	62	0	170	17	170	59	0	23

20. Data for all tables in Appendix A is provided by the Virginia Department of State Police (VSP).

APPENDIX A (CONT.)

Table A-4: Arrests and Case Dispositions for Felony Stalking, 2024-2025

CONVICTIONS						NON-CONVICTIONS					
Year	Code Section	Felony/ Misdemeanor	Total Arrests	Guilty	Adjudicated Delinquent	Total Non Convictions	Not Guilty	Noelle Processed	Dismissed	Mentally Insane	Deferred or Other
2024	18.2-60.3	F	3	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
2025	18.2-60.3	F	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

Table A-5: Arrests and Case Dispositions for Misdemeanor Violation of Stalking Protective Order, 2024-2025

CONVICTIONS						NON-CONVICTIONS					
Year	Code Section	Felony/ Misdemeanor	Total Arrests	Guilty	Adjudicated Delinquent	Total Non Convictions	Not Guilty	Noelle Processed	Dismissed	Mentally Insane	Deferred or Other
2024	18.2-60.4	M	1,077	317	0	139	60	406	117	1	35
2025	18.2-60.4	M	1,096	182	0	486	45	278	78	0	27

Table A-6: Arrests and Case Dispositions for Felony Violation of Stalking Protective Order, 2024-2025

CONVICTIONS						NON-CONVICTIONS					
Year	Code Section	Felony/ Misdemeanor	Total Arrests	Guilty	Adjudicated Delinquent	Total Non Convictions	Not Guilty	Noelle Processed	Dismissed	Mentally Insane	Deferred or Other
2024	18.2-60.4	F	77	25	0	4	1	33	11	0	
2025	18.2-60.4	F	42	7	0	24	0	7	3	0	1



APPENDIX B – STATE AGENCIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

STATE AGENCIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

Commonwealth's Attorneys' Services Council

William & Mary Law School, Room 220
613 South Henry Street
P.O. Box 3549
Williamsburg, VA 23187
757-253-4146
www.cas.state.va.us

Family and Children's Trust Fund of Virginia (FACT)

5600 Cox Road
Glen Allen, VA
804-726-7604
www.dss.virginia.gov/community/fact.cgi

Office of the Attorney General

202 N 9th Street
Richmond, VA 23219
804-786-2071
www.oag.state.va.us

Supreme Court of Virginia Office of the Executive Secretary

100 North 9th Street, 3rd Floor
Richmond, VA 23219
804-786-6455
www.vacourts.gov/courts/scv/home.html

Virginia Center on Aging Virginia Commonwealth University

730 East Broad Street
P.O. Box 980229
Richmond, VA 23298
804-828-1525
<https://vcoa.chp.vcu.edu>

AWQ Virginia Department for the Aging

1610 Forest Avenue, Suite 100
Richmond, VA 23229
804-662-9333
www.vda.virginia.gov

Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Development Services

1220 Bank Street
Richmond, VA 23219
804-786-3921
dbhds.virginia.gov

Virginia Department of Corrections, Community Corrections

P.O. Box 26963
Richmond, VA 23261-6963
804-674-3000
vadoc.virginia.gov/victim-services

Virginia Poverty Law Center

919 East Main Street, Suite 610
Richmond, VA 23219
804-782-9430
vplc.org

Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance

1411 W Main St.
Richmond, VA 23230
800-838-8238
vsdvalliance.org

Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services

1100 Bank Street
Richmond, VA 23219
804-786-4000
www.dcjs.virginia.gov

Virginia Department of Health Division of Prevention and Health Promotion

109 Governor Street, 8th Floor
Richmond, VA 23219
804-864-7732
Injury Hotline: 1-800-732-8333
www.vdh.virginia.gov

Virginia Department of Health Office of the Chief Medical Examiner

400 East Jackson Street
Richmond, VA 23219
804-786-3174
www.vdh.virginia.gov/medical-examiner

Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development

600 East Main Street, Suite 300
Richmond, VA 23219
804-371-7000
www.dhcd.virginia.gov/housing

Virginia Department of Social Services Office on Family Violence

801 East Main Street
Richmond, VA 23219
804-726-7000
www.dss.virginia.gov

Virginia Department of State Police

P.O. Box 27472
Richmond, VA 23261-7472
804-674-2000
www.vsp.virginia.gov

An aerial photograph of a city, likely New York City, with a network of lines and dots overlaid on the image. The network consists of dark blue dots connected by thin, light blue lines, forming a web-like pattern across the city. The background is a dark blue overlay of the aerial photo.

APPENDIX C – DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE PROGRAMS BY LOCALITY

DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE PROGRAMS BY LOCALITY

Accomack County

Center for Sexual Assault Survivors

718 J Clyde Morris Blvd, Ste B
Newport News, VA 23601
757-599-9844
www.visitthecenter.org

Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence

12 Hartman Ave
Onancock, VA 23417
757-787-1329
877-787-1329 (hotline)
www.escadv.org

Albemarle County

Sexual Assault Resource Agency

335 Greenbrier Dr., Ste 102
Charlottesville, VA 22901
434-295-7273
434-977-7273 (hotline)
www.saracville.org

Shelter for Help in Emergency

P.O. Box 1013
Charlottesville, VA 22902
434-963-4676
434-293-8509 (hotline)
www.shelterforhelpinemergency.org

University of Virginia Violence and Social Change Program

P.O. Box 800588
Charlottesville, VA 22908
434-982-2774

Alexandria

Alexandria Sexual and Domestic Violence Programs

421 King St., Ste 400
Alexandria, VA 22314
703-746-4911 (DV)
703-683-7273 (SV)
www.alexandriava.gov/women

Allegheny County

Safehome Systems

P.O. Box 748
Covington, VA 24426
540-965-3237
877-393-3672 (toll free)
www.safehomesystems.org

Amelia County

STEPS, Inc./Madeline's House

866-297-1564 (hotline)
www.steps-inc.org

Amherst County/ Appomattox County

YWCA Domestic Violence Prevention Center

626 Church Street
Lynchburg, VA 24504
434-847-7751
www.ywcacva.org

Annandale

Korean Community Services Center of Greater Washington

7700 Little River Turnpike, Ste 406
Annandale, VA 22003
703-354-6345
888-987-4561 (hotline)
www.kcscgw.org

Arlington County

Doorways for Women and Families

4600 N. Fairfax Dr., Ste 600
Arlington, VA 22203
703-504-9400
703-237-0881 (hotline)
www.doorwaysva.org

Ashland (Township)

Hanover Safe Place

629-A N. Washington Hwy
Ashland, VA 23005
804-752-2728
804-752-2702 (hotline)
www.hanoversafeplace.com

Augusta County

New Directions Center, Inc.

110 W. Johnson St.
Staunton, VA 24401
540-885-7273
540-886-6800 (hotline)
www.newdirectionscenter.org

Bath County

Safehome Systems, Inc.

P.O. Box 748
Covington, VA 24426
540-965-3237
877-393-3672 (toll free)
www.safehomesystems.org

Bedford County

Bedford County Domestic Violence Services

P.O. Box 783
Bedford, VA 24523
540-587-0995
540-587-0970 (hotline)
www.bedfordcountyva.gov/government/departments-offices-o-z/social-services/domestic-violence-services

YWCA Domestic Violence Prevention Center

626 Church Street
Lynchburg, VA 24504
888-528-1041

Bland County

Family Resource Center, Inc.

P.O. Box 612
Wytheville, VA 24382
276-625-0219
800-613-6145 (hotline)
www.frcinc.org

Botetourt County

Sexual Assault Response and Awareness

3034 Brambleton Ave., SW
Roanoke, VA 24015
540-345-7273
540-981-9352 (hotline)
www.sararoanoke.org

Total Action for Progress-Domestic Violence Program

302 2nd St., SW
Roanoke, VA 24011
540-283-4813
540-580-0775 (after-hours)
www.tapintohope.org

Bristol

Abuse Alternatives, Inc.

104 Memorial Drive
Bristol, TN 37620
423-764-2287
800-987-6499 (hotline)
www.abusealternativesinc.org

Crisis Center

100 Oakview Ave.
Bristol, VA 24201
276-466-2218
276-466-2312 (hotline)
866-953-0484 (toll free)
www.crisiscenterinc.org

Brunswick County

Family Violence & Sexual Assault Unit 6th District Court Services

401-C S. Main St.
Emporia, VA 23847
434-348-0100

STEPS, Inc./Madeline's House

866-297-1564 (hotline)
www.steps-inc.org

Buchanan County

Family Crisis Support Services

701 Kentucky Ave. SE
Norton, VA 24273
276-679-7240
877-348-3416 (hotline)
800-572-2278 (toll free)
www.family-crisis.org

People, Inc. Of Virginia

1173 W. Main St.
Abingdon, VA 24210
276-623-9000
276-935-5485 (hotline)
877-697-9444 (tollfree)
www.peopleinc.net

Buckingham County

STEPS, Inc./Madeline's House

866-297-1564 (hotline)
www.steps-inc.org

Buena Vista Project Horizon

120 Varner Ln
Lexington, VA 24450
540-463-7861
540-463-2594 (hotline)
www.projecthorizon.org

Campbell County

YWCA Domestic Violence Prevention Center

626 Church Street
Lynchburg, VA 24504
888-528-1041

Bedford County

Domestic Violence Services

P.O. Box 783
Bedford, VA 24523
540-587-0995
540-587-0970 (hotline)
www.bedfordcountyva.gov/government/departments-offices-o-z/social-services/domestic-violence-services

Caroline County

Rappahannock Council Against Sexual Assault

3331 Shannon Airport Cir.
Fredericksburg, VA 22408
540-371-6771
540-371-1666 (hotline)
www.rcasa.org

Empowerhouse

P.O. Box 1007
Fredericksburg, VA 22402
540-373-9372
540-373-9373 (hotline)
877-734-7238 (toll free)
www.empowerhouseva.org

Carroll County

Family Resource Center, Inc.

P.O. Box 612
Wytheville, VA 24382
276-625-0219
800-613-6145 (hotline)
www.frcinc.org

Charles City County

Project Hope at Quin Rivers

P.O. Box 208
New Kent, VA 23124
804-966-8720
877-966-HELP (4357) (hotline)

Charlotte County

STEPS, Inc./Madeline's House

866-297-1564 (hotline)
www.steps-inc.org

Tri-County

Community Action Agency, Inc.

400 Thomas Jefferson Hwy
South Hill, VA 23923
434-542-5898
434-572-1136 (hotline)
866-832-3840 (toll free)
www.tricountyva.org

Charlottesville

Sexual Assault Resource Agency

335 Greenbrier Dr., Ste 102
Charlottesville, VA 22901
434-295-7273
434-977-7273 (hotline)
www.saracville.org/

Shelter for Help in Emergency

P.O. Box 1013
Charlottesville, VA 22903-0013
434-963-4676
434-293-8509 (hotline)
www.shelterforhelpinemergency.org

Chesapeake

Help and Emergency Response

P.O. Box 2187
Portsmouth, VA 23702-0187
757-485-1445
757-485-3384 (hotline)
www.hershelter.com

Response Sexual Assault Support Services of the YWCA

1424 McNeal Ave.
Norfolk, VA 23502
757-625-4248
757-226-YWCA (9922) (hotline)
www.ywca-shr.org

Chesterfield County

Chesterfield County Domestic Violence Resource Center

P.O. Box 40
Chesterfield, VA 23832-0040
804-318-8265
www.chesterfield.gov/222/Domestic-and-Sexual-Violence-Resource-Ce

The James House

6610 Commons Dr.
Prince George, VA 23875
804-458-2704
804-458-2840 (hotline)
www.thejameshouse.org

YWCA of Richmond Women's Advocacy Program

6 N. 5th St.
Richmond, VA 23219
804-612-6126
804-643-0888 (hotline)
www.ywcarichmond.org/

Clarke County

The Laurel Center Intervention for Domestic & Sexual Violence

P.O. Box 14
Winchester, VA 22604
540-667-6160
540-667-6466 (hotline)
www.thelaurelcenter.org

Clifton (Township)

Fairfax County Office for Women and Domestic & Sexual Violence Services

12000 Government Center Pkwy, Ste 339
Fairfax, VA 22035
703-324-5730
703-360-7273 (hotline)
703-435-1235 (TTY)
www.fairfaxcounty.gov/ofw/

Clifton Forge

Virginia Family Violence & Sexual Assault Hotline

800-838-8238 (V/TTY)

Colonial Heights

The James House

6610 Commons Dr.
Prince George, VA 23875
804-458-2704
804-458-2840 (hotline)
www.thejameshouse.org

Covington

Safehome Systems, Inc.

P.O. Box 748
Covington, VA 24426
540-965-3237
877-393-3672 (toll free)
www.safehomesystems.org/

Craig County

Sexual Assault Response and Awareness

3034 Brambleton Ave., SW
Roanoke, VA 24015
540-345-7273
540-981-9352 (hotline)
www.sararoanoke.org

Total Action for Progress - Domestic Violence Program

302 2nd St., SW
Roanoke, VA 24011
540-283-4813
540-580-0775 (after-hours)
www.tapintohope.org

Culpeper County

Services to Abused Families (SAFE)

501 E. Piedmont St.
Culpeper, VA 22701
540-825-8891
540-825-8876 (hotline)
800-825-8876 (toll free)
www.safejourneys.org

Cumberland County

STEPS, Inc./Madeline's House

866-297-1564 (hotline)
www.steps-inc.org

Danville

Haven of the Dan River Region

P. O. Box 878
Danville, VA 24543
434-486-5482
www.havenofthedanriverregion.com

Tri-County Community Action Agency, Inc.

400 Thomas Jefferson Hwy
Charlotte Ct House, VA 23923
434-542-5898
434-572-1136 (hotline)
866-832-3840 (toll free)
www.tricountyva.org

Dickenson Family Crisis Support Services

701 Kentucky Ave. SE
Norton, VA 24273
276-679-7240
877-348-3416 (hotline)
800-572-2278 (toll free)
www.family-crisis.org

Dinwiddie

The James House

6610 Commons Dr.
Prince George, VA 23875
804-458-2704
804-458-2840 (hotline)
www.thejameshouse.org

STEPS, Inc./Madeline's House

866-297-1564 (hotline)
www.steps-inc.org

Emporia

**Family Violence & Sexual Assault Unit
6th District Court Services**
401-C S. Main St.
Emporia, VA 23847
434-348-0100

Essex County

The Haven Shelter & Services, Inc.
P.O. Box 1267
Warsaw, VA 22572-0713
804-333-1099
804-333-5370 (shelter office)
800-224-2836 (hotline)
www.havenshelter.org

Fairfax County

**Fairfax County Office for Women and
Domestic & Sexual Violence Services**
12000 Government Center Pkwy, Ste 339
Fairfax, VA 22035
703-324-5730
703-360-7273 (hotline)
703-435-1235 (TTY)
www.fairfaxcounty.gov/ofw/

Shelter House, Inc./Artemis House
P.O. Box 139
Herndon, VA 20170
703-435-4940
www.shelterhouse.org

Falls Church

**Fairfax County Office for Women and
Domestic & Sexual Violence Services**
12000 Government Center Pkwy, Ste 339
Fairfax, VA 22035
703-324-5730
703-360-7273 (hotline)
703-435-1235 (TTY)
www.fairfaxcounty.gov/ofw/

Fauquier County

**Fauquier Department of Social
Services Domestic Violence Services**
320 Hospital Dr.
Warrenton, VA 20186
540-422-8416

Services to Abused Families (SAFE)
501 E. Piedmont St.
Culpeper, VA 22701
540-825-8891
540-825-8876 (hotline)
800-825-8876 (toll free)
www.safejourneys.org

Floyd County

**Women's Resource Center
of the New River Valley**
P.O. Box 477
Radford, VA 24143
540-639-9592
540-639-1123 (hotline)
800-788-1123 (toll free)
540-639-2197 (TTY)
www.wrcnrv.org

Fluvanna County

Sexual Assault Resource Agency
335 Greenbrier Dr., Ste 102
Charlottesville, VA 22901
434-295-7273
434-977-7273 (hotline)
www.saracville.org/

Shelter for Help in Emergency
P.O. Box 1013
Charlottesville, VA 22903-0013
434-963-4676
434-293-8509 (hotline)
www.shelterforhelpinemergency.org

Franklin County

Franklin County Family Resource Center
P.O. Box 188
Rocky Mount, VA 24151
540-483-5088
540-483-1234 (hotline)
www.fcfamilyresourcecenter.com

Frederick County

**The Laurel Center Intervention for
Domestic & Sexual Violence**
P.O. Box 14
Winchester, VA 22604
540-667-6160
540-667-6466 (hotline)
www.thelaurelcenter.org

Fredericksburg

Rappahannock Council Against Sexual Assault

615 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Ste 201
Fredericksburg, VA 22401
540-371-6771
540-371-1666 (hotline)
www.rcasa.org

Empowerhouse

P.O. Box 1007
Fredericksburg, VA 22402
540-373-9372
540-373-9373 (hotline)
877-734-7238 (toll free)
www.empowerhouseva.org

Front Royal

Phoenix Project

P.O. Box 1747
Front Royal, VA 22630
540-635-2302
540-635-2300 (hotline)
www.phoenix-project.org

Giles County

Women's Resource Center of the New River Valley

P.O. Box 477
Radford, VA 24143
540-639-9592
540-639-1123 (hotline)
800-788-1123 (toll free)
540-639-2197 (TTY)
www.wrcnrv.org

Gloucester County

Laurel Shelter, Inc.

P.O. Box 23
Gloucester, VA 23061
804-694-5890 (SV hotline)
804-694-5552 (DV hotline)

Goochland County

Goochland County Free Clinic & Family Services

P.O. Box 116
Goochland, VA 23063
804-556-6260

Family Resource Center, Inc.

P.O. Box 612
Wytheville, VA 24382
276-625-0219
800-613-6145 (hotline)
www.frcinc.org

Greene County

Sexual Assault Resource Agency

335 Greenbrier Dr., Ste 102
Charlottesville, VA 22901
434-295-7273
434-977-7273 (hotline)
www.saracville.org

Shelter for Help in Emergency

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Charlottesville, VA 22903-0013
434-963-4676
434-293-8509 (hotline)
www.shelterforhelpinemergency.org

Greensville County

Family Violence & Sexual Assault Unit 6th District Court Services

401-C S. Main St.
Emporia, VA 23847
434-348-0100

Halifax County

STEPS, Inc./Madeline's House

866-297-1564 (hotline)
www.steps-inc.org

Tri-County Community Action Agency

P.O. Box 1324
Halifax, VA 24558
434-572-1135
434-572-1136 (hotline)
866-832-3840 (toll free)
www.tricountyva.org

Hampton

Center for Sexual Assault Survivors

718 J. Clyde Morris Blvd, Ste B
Newport News, VA 23601
757-599-9844
757-236-5260 (hotline)
www.visitthecenter.org

Transitions Family Violence Services

P.O. Box 561
Hampton, VA 23669-0561
757-722-2261
757-723-7774 (hotline)
www.transitionsfvs.org

Hanover County

Hanover Safe Place

629-A N. Washington Hwy
Ashland, VA 23005
804-752-2728
804-752-2702 (hotline)
www.hanoversafeplace.com

Harrisonburg

The Collins Center

217 S Liberty St. Ste 205
Harrisonburg, VA 22801-3676
540-434-6430
540-434-2272 (hotline)
www.thecollinscenter.org

First Step: A Response to Domestic Violence

129 Franklin St.
Harrisonburg, VA 22801
540-434-0295
866-223-9169 (toll free)
www.firststepva.com

Henrico County Safe Harbor

P.O. Box 17996
Richmond, VA 23226
804-249-9470
804-612-6126 (hotline)
www.SafeHarborShelter.com

Henry County

Southside Survivor Response Center

P.O. Box 352
Martinsville, VA 24114-0352
276-403-4080
877-934-3576 (hotline)
www.ssrcenter.org

Herndon (Township)

Fairfax County Office for Women and Domestic & Sexual Violence Services

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703-360-7273 (hotline)
703-435-1235 (TTY)
www.fairfaxcounty.gov/ofw/

Highland County

New Directions Center, Inc.

110 W. Johnson St., Ste 102
Staunton, VA 24401
540-885-7273
540-886-6800 (hotline)
www.newdirectionscenter.org

Safehome Systems

P.O. Box 748
Covington, VA 24426
540-965-3237
877-393-3672 (toll free)
www.safehomesystems.org

Hopewell

The James House

6610 Commons Dr.
Prince George, VA 23875
804-458-2704
804-458-2840 (hotline)
www.thejameshouse.org

Isle of Wight County

Center for Sexual Assault Survivors

718 J. Clyde Morris Blvd, Suite B
Newport News, VA 23601
757-599-9844
757-236-5260 (hotline)
www.visitthecenter.org

The Genieve Shelter

P.O. Box 1585
Suffolk, VA 23434
757-925-4365
800-969-4673 (hotline)
www.thegenieveshelter.org

James City County

Avalon: A Center for Women and Children

P.O. Box 6805
Williamsburg, VA 23188
757-258-5022
833-537-0970 (hotline)
www.avaloncenter.org

King and Queen County

Laurel Shelter, Inc.

P.O. Box 23
Gloucester, VA 23061
804-694-5890 (SV hotline)
804-694-5552 (DV hotline)
lsivilcoor@verizon.net

Project Hope at Quin Rivers

P.O. Box 208
New Kent, VA 23124
804-966-8720
877-966-HELP (4357) (hotline)

King George County

Rappahannock Council Against Sexual Assault

615 Jefferson Davis Hwy, Ste 201
Fredericksburg, VA 22401
540-371-6771
540-371-1666 (hotline)
www.rcasa.org

Empowerhouse

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Fredericksburg, VA 22402
540-373-9372
540-373-9373 (hotline)
877-734-7238 (toll free)
www.empowerhouseva.org

King William County

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Project Hope at Quin Rivers

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804-966-8720
877-966-HELP (4357) (hotline)

Lancaster County

Haven Shelter and Services, Inc.

P.O. Box 1267
Warsaw, VA 22572
804-333-1099
804-333-5370 (shelter office)
800-224-2836 (hotline)
www.havenshelter.org

Lee County

Crisis Center

100 Oakview Ave.
Bristol, VA 24201
276-466-2218
276-466-2312 (hotline)
866-953-0484 (toll free)
www.namilee.org/crisis-info/

Family Crisis Support Services

701 Kentucky Ave. SE
Norton, VA 24273
276-679-7240
877-348-3416 (hotline)
800-572-2278 (toll free)
www.family-crisis.org

Leesburg

Loudoun Abused Women's Shelter (LAWS)

105 E. Market St.
Leesburg, VA 20176
703-771-3398
703-777-6552 (hotline)
www.lcsj.org

Lexington

Project Horizon

120 Varner Ln.
Lexington, VA 24450
540-463-7861
540-463-2594 (hotline)
www.projecthorizon.org

Total Action for Progress- Domestic Violence Program

302 2nd St., SW
Roanoke, VA 24011
540-283-4813
540-580-0775 (after-hours)
www.tapintohope.org

Loudoun County

Loudoun Abused Women's Shelter (LAWS)

105 E. Market St.
Leesburg, VA 20176
703-771-3398
703-777-6552 (hotline)
www.lcsj.org

Louisa County

Sexual Assault Resource Agency

335 Greenbrier Dr., Ste 102
Charlottesville, VA 22901
434-295-7273
434-977-7273 (hotline)
www.saracville.org/

Shelter for Help in Emergency

P.O. Box 1013
Charlottesville, VA 22903-0013
434-963-4676
434-293-8509 (hotline)
www.shelterforhelpinemergency.org

Lunenburg County

STEPS, Inc./Madeline's House

866-297-1564 (hotline)
www.steps-inc.org

Tri-County Community Action Agency
P.O. Box 1324
Halifax, VA 24558
434-572-1135
434-572-1136 (hotline)
866-832-3840 (toll free)
www.tricountyva.org

Lynchburg

YWCA Domestic Violence Prevention Center
626 Church Street
Lynchburg, VA 24504
888-528-1041

Madison County

Services to Abused Families (SAFE)
501 E. Piedmont St.
Culpeper, VA 22701
540-825-8891
540-825-8876 (hotline)
800-825-8876 (toll free)
www.safejourneys.org

Manassas

ACTS/Turning Points & SAVAS
(Sexual Assault Victims Advocacy Service)
P.O. Box 74
Dumfries, VA 22026
703-4418606
703-368-4141 (SV hotline)
703-221-4951 (DV hotline)
www.actspwc.org

Manassas Park

ACTS/Turning Points & SAVAS
(Sexual Assault Victims Advocacy Service)
P.O. Box 74
Dumfries, VA 22026
703-4418606
703-368-4141 (SV hotline)
703-221-4951 (DV hotline)
www.actspwc.org

Martinsville

Southside Survivor Response Center
P.O. Box 352
Martinsville, VA 24114-0352
276-403-4080
877-934-3576 (hotline)
www.ssrcenter.org

Mathews County

Laurel Shelter, Inc.
P.O. Box 23
Gloucester, VA 23061
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lsivilcoor@verizon.net

Mecklenburg County

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Tri-County Community Action Agency

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Halifax, VA 24558
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434-572-1136 (hotline)
866-832-3840 (toll free)
www.tricountyva.org

Middlesex County

Laurel Shelter, Inc.
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Gloucester, VA 23061
804-694-5890 (SV hotline)
804-694-5552 (DV hotline)
lsivilcoor@verizon.net

Montgomery County

**Women's Resource Center
of the New River Valley**
P.O. Box 477
Radford, VA 24143
540-639-9592
540-639-1123 (hotline)
800-788-1123 (toll free)
540-639-2197 (TTY)
www.wrcnrv.org

Mt. Jackson (Township)

Response, Inc.
P.O. Box 287
Woodstock, VA 22664
540-459-5599
540-459-5161 (hotline)
www.responseva.org

Nelson County

Sexual Assault Resource Agency

335 Greenbrier Dr., Ste 102
Charlottesville, VA 22901
434-295-7273
434-977-7273 (hotline)
www.saracville.org

Shelter for Help in Emergency

P.O. Box 1013
Charlottesville, VA 22903-0013
434-963-4676
434-293-8509 (hotline)
www.shelterforhelpinemergency.org

New Kent County

Project Hope at Quin Rivers

P.O. Box 208
New Kent, VA 23124
804-966-8720
877-966-HELP (4357) (hotline)

Newport News

Center for Sexual Assault Survivors

718 J. Clyde Morris Blvd, Ste B
Newport News, VA 23601
757-599-9844
757-236-5260 (hotline)
www.visitthecenter.org

Transitions Family Violence Services

P.O. Box 561
Hampton, VA 23669
757-722-2261
757-723-7774 (hotline)
www.transitionsfvs.org

Norfolk

YWCA of South Hampton Roads Women in Crisis/Response Sexual Assault Support

1424 McNeal Ave.
Norfolk, VA 23502
757-625-4248
757-226-YWCA (9922) (hotline)
www.ywca-shr.org

Northampton County

Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence

P.O. Box 3
Onancock, VA 23417
757-787-1959
757-787-1329 (hotline)
866-663-6478 (hotline)
www.escadv.org

Northumberland County

Haven Shelter and Services, Inc.

P.O. Box 1267
Warsaw, VA 22572
804-333-1099
804-333-5370 (shelter office)
800-224-2836 (hotline)
www.havenshelter.org

Norton

Family Crisis Support Services

701 Kentucky Ave. SE
Norton, VA 24273
276-679-7240
877-348-3416 (hotline)
800-572-2278 (toll free)
www.family-crisis.org

Nottoway County

STEPS, Inc./Madeline's House

866-297-1564 (hotline)
www.steps-inc.org

Onancock

Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence

P.O. Box 3
Onancock, VA 23417
757-787-1959
757-787-1329 (hotline)
866-663-6478 (hotline)
www.escadv.org

Orange County

Services to Abused Families (SAFE)

501 E. Piedmont St.
Culpeper, VA 22701
540-825-8891
540-825-8876 (hotline)
800-825-8876 (toll free)
www.safejourneys.org

Page County

Choices: Council on Domestic Violence for Page County

216 W. Main St.
Luray, VA 22835
540-743-4414
www.choicesofpagecounty.org

Patrick County

Southside Survivor Response Center

P.O. Box 352
Martinsville, VA 24114-0352
276-403-4080
877-934-3576 (hotline)
www.ssrcenter.org

Petersburg

The James House

6610 Commons Dr.
Prince George, VA 23875
804-458-2704
804-458-2840 (hotline)
www.thejameshouse.org

Pittsylvania County

YWCA Domestic Violence Prevention Center

626 Church Street
Lynchburg, VA 24504
888-528-1041
www.ywcacva.org

Citizens Against Family Violence

P.O. Box 352
Martinsville, VA 24114-0352
276-632-8701
www.ssrcenter.org

Poquoson

Avalon: A Center for Women and Children

P.O. Box 6805
Williamsburg, VA 23188
757-258-5022
757-258-5051 (hotline)
www.avaloncenter.org

Center for Sexual Assault Survivors

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Newport News, VA 23601
757-599-9844
757-236-5260 (hotline)
www.visitthecenter.org

Transitions Family Violence Services

P.O. Box 561
Hampton, VA 23669-0561
757-722-2261
757-723-7774 (hotline)
www.transitionsfvs.org

Portsmouth

Help and Emergency Response

P.O. Box 2187
Portsmouth, VA 23702-0187
757-485-1445
757-485-3384 (hotline)
www.hershelter.com

Powhatan County

Powhatan County Department of Social Services Domestic Violence Program

3908 Old Buckingham Rd, Ste 2
Powhatan, VA 23139
804-598-5630 ext. 2422
www.powhatanva.gov

STEPS, Inc./Madeline's House

866-297-1564 (hotline)
www.steps-inc.org

Prince Edward County

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Prince George County

The James House

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Prince George, VA 23875
804-458-2704
804-458-2840 (hotline)
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Prince William County

ACTS/Turning Points & SAVAS

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703-368-4141 (SV hotline)
703-221-4951 (DV hotline)
www.actspwc.org

Pulaski County

Women's Resource Center of the New River Valley

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540-639-1123 (hotline)
800-788-1123 (toll free)
540-639-2197 (TTY)
www.wrcnrv.org

Radford

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800-788-1123 (toll free)
540-639-2197 (TTY)
www.wrcnrv.org

Rappahannock County

Services to Abused Families (SAFE)

501 E. Piedmont St.
Culpeper, VA 22701
540- 825- 8891
540-825-8876 (hotline)
800-825-8876 (toll free)
www.safejourneys.org

Richmond

Safe Harbor

P.O. Box 17996
Richmond, VA 23226
804-249-9470
804-612-6126 (hotline)
www.SafeHarborShelter.com

YWCA of Richmond

Women's Advocacy Program

6 N. 5th St.
Richmond, VA 23219
804-643-6761
804-643-0888 (hotline)
www.ywcarichmond.org

Richmond County

Haven Shelter and Services, Inc.

P.O. Box 1267
Warsaw, VA 22572
804-333-1099
804-333-5370 (shelter office)
800-224-2836 (hotline)
www.havenshelter.org

Roanoke

Salvation Army Turning Point

815 Salem Ave. SW
Roanoke, VA 24016
540-345-0400
www.virginiasalvationarmy.org/roanokeva/programs/turning-point/

Sexual Assault Response and Awareness

3034 Brambleton Ave. SW
Roanoke, VA 24015
540-345-7273
540-981-9352 (hotline)
www.sararoanoke.org

Total Action for Progress Domestic Violence Program

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540-580-0775 (after-hours)
www.tapintohope.org

Roanoke County

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www.sararoanoke.org

Total Action for Progress Domestic Violence Program

302 2nd St. SW
Roanoke, VA 24011
540-283-4813
540-580-0775 (after-hours)
www.tapintohope.org

Rockingham County

The Collins Center

217 S. Liberty Street, Ste. 205
Harrisonburg, VA 22801
540-434-6430
540-434-2272 (hotline)
www.thecollinscenter.org

Rockbridge County

Project Horizon

120 Varner Ln
Lexington, VA 24450
540-463-7861
540-463-2594 (hotline)
www.projecthorizon.org

Rocky Mount

Franklin County Family Resource Center

P.O. Box 188
Rocky Mount, VA 24151
540-483-5088
540-483-1234 (hotline)
www.fcfamilyresourcecenter.com/

Russell County

**Clinch Valley Community
Action Agency, Inc. (SV only)**
P.O. Box 188
North Tazewell, VA 24630
276-988-5583
276-979-8959 (hotline)
www.clinchvalleycaa.org

Family Crisis Support Services
701 Kentucky Ave. SE
Norton, VA 24273
276-679-7240
877-348-3416 (hotline)
800-572-2278 (tollfree)
www.family-crisis.org

People, Inc. of Virginia
1173 W. Main St.
Abingdon, VA 24210
276-623-9000
276-935-5485 (hotline)
877-697-9444 (tollfree)
www.peopleinc.net

Salem

**Sexual Assault Response
and Awareness**
3034 Brambleton Ave., SW
Roanoke, VA 24015
540-345-7273
540-981-9352 (hotline)
www.sararoanoke.org

**Total Action for Progress
Domestic Violence Program**
302 2nd St. SW
Roanoke, VA 24011
540-283-4813
540-580-0775 (after-hours)
www.tapintohope.org

Scott County

Crisis Center
100 Oakview Ave.
Bristol, VA 24201
276-466-2218
276-466-2312 (hotline)
866-953-0484 (toll free)
www.namilee.org/crisis-info/

Family Crisis Support Services
701 Kentucky Ave. SE
Norton, VA 24273
276-679-7240
877-348-3416 (hotline)
800-572-2278 (toll free)
www.family-crisis.org

Hope House of Scott County
P.O. Box 1992
Gate City, VA 24251
276-386-1373
888-250-4325 (hotline)
www.facebook.com/HopeHouseOfScottCountyInc

Shenandoah County

Response, Inc.
P.O. Box 287
Woodstock, VA 22664
540-459-5599
540-459-5161 (hotline)
www.responseva.org/

Smithfield

The Genieve Shelter
157 N. Main St., 2nd Floor R-3
Suffolk, VA 23434
757-925-4365
800-969-4673 (hotline)
www.thegenieveshelter.org/

Center for Sexual Assault Survivors
718 J. Clyde Morris Blvd, Ste B
Newport News, VA 23601
757-599-9844
757-236-5260 (hotline)
www.visitthecenter.org

Empowerhouse
P.O. Box 1007
Fredericksburg, VA 22402
540-373-9372
540-373-9373 (hotline)
877-734-7238 (toll free)
www.empowerhouseva.org

Smyth County

Family Resource Center, Inc.
P.O. Box 612
Wytheville, VA 24382
276-625-0219
800-613-6145 (hotline)
www.frcinc.org

South Boston

Tri-County Community Action Agency

P.O. Box 1324
Halifax, VA 24558
434-572-1135
434-572-1136 (hotline)
866-832-3840 (tollfree)
www.tricountyva.org

Southampton County

The Genieve Shelter

157 N. Main St., 2nd Floor R-3
Suffolk, VA 23434
757-925-4365
800-969-4673 (hotline)
www.thegenieveshelter.org/

Spotsylvania County

Rappahannock Council Against Sexual Assault

615 Jefferson Davis Hwy Ste 201
Fredericksburg, VA 22401
540-371-6771
540-371-1666 (hotline)
www.rcasa.org

Empowerhouse

P.O. Box 1007
Fredericksburg, VA 22402
540-373-9372
540-373-9373 (hotline)
877-734-7238 (toll free)
www.empowerhouseva.org

Stafford County

Rappahannock Council Against Sexual Assault

615 Jefferson Davis Hwy, Ste 201
Fredericksburg, VA 22401
540-371-6771
540-371-1666 (hotline)
www.rcasa.org

Stanley

Virginia Family Violence and Sexual Assault Hotline
800-838-8238 (V/TTY)

Staunton

New Directions Center, Inc.

P.O. Box 3069
Staunton, VA 24402-3069
540-885-7273
800-56-HAVEN (42836) (hotline)
www.newdirectionscenter.com

Strasburg (Township)

Response, Inc.

P.O. Box 287
Woodstock, VA 22664
540-459-5599
540-459-5161 (hotline)
www.responseva.org/

Suffolk

The Genieve Shelter

P.O. Box 1585
Suffolk, VA 23434
757-925-4365
800-969-4673 (hotline)
www.thegenieveshelter.org

Surry County

The Genieve Shelter

P.O. Box 1585
Suffolk, VA 23434
757-925-4365
800-969-4673 (hotline)
www.thegenieveshelter.org

Sussex County

Family Violence & Sexual Assault Unit 6th District Court Services

401-C S. Main St.
Emporia, VA 23847
434-348-0100

Tazewell County

Clinch Valley Community Action Agency, Inc.

P.O. Box 188
North Tazewell, VA 24630
276-988-5583
276-979-8959 (hotline)
www.clinchvalleycaa.org/

Troutville

Virginia Family Violence and Sexual Assault Hotline
800-838-8238 (V/TTY)

Vienna

Fairfax County Office for Women and Domestic & Sexual Violence Services
12000 Government Center Pkwy, Ste 339
Fairfax, VA 22035
703-324-5730
703-360-7273 (hotline)
703-435-1235 (TTY)
www.fairfaxcounty.gov/ofw/

Vinton

Crisis Center
100 Oakview Ave.
Bristol, VA 24201
276-466-2218
276-466-2312 (hotline)
866-953-0484 (toll free)
www.namilee.org/crisis-info/

Virginia Beach

Samaritan House
2620 Southern Blvd.
Virginia Beach, VA 23452
757-631-0710
757-430-2120 (hotline)
www.samaritanhouseva.org

Warren County

Virginia Family Violence and Sexual Assault Hotline
800-838-8238 (V/TTY)

Warrenton

Services to Abused Families (SAFE)
501 E. Piedmont St.
Culpeper, VA 22701
540-825-8891
540-825-8876 (hotline)
800-825-8876 (toll free)
www.safejourneys.org

Washington County

Abuse Alternatives, Inc.
104 Memorial Drive
Bristol, TN 37620
423-652-9093
800-987-6499 (hotline)
www.abusealternativesinc.org

Waynesboro

New Directions Center, Inc.
P.O. Box 3069
Staunton, VA 24402-3069
540-885-7273
800-56-HAVEN (42836) (hotline)
www.newdirectionscenter.com

Total Action for Progress-Domestic Violence Program
302 2nd St., SW
Roanoke, VA 24011
540-283-4813
540-580-0775 (after-hours)
www.tapintohope.org/DomesticViolenceServices

Westmoreland County

Haven Shelter and Services, Inc.
P.O. Box 1267
Warsaw, VA 22572
804-333-1099
804-333-5370 (shelter office)
800-224-2836 (hotline)
www.havenshelter.org

Williamsburg

Avalon: A Center for Women and Children
P.O. Box 6805
Williamsburg, VA 23188
757-258-5022
757-258-5051 (hotline)
www.avaloncenter.org

Winchester

The Laurel Center Intervention for Domestic & Sexual Violence
P.O. Box 14
Winchester, VA 22604
540-667-6160
540-667-6466 (hotline)
www.thelaurelcenter.org

Wise County

Crisis Center
100 Oakview Ave.
Bristol, VA 24201
276-466-2218
276-466-2312 (hotline)
866-953-0484 (toll free)
www.namilee.org/crisis-info/

Family Crisis Support Services

701 Kentucky Ave.
SE Norton, VA 24273
276-679-7240
877-348-3416 (hotline)
800-572-2278 (toll free)
www.family-crisis.com

Woodbridge

ACTS/Turning Points & Sexual Assault Victims Advocacy Service (SAVAS)

P.O. Box 74
Dumfries, VA 22026
703-4418606
703-368-4141 (SV hotline)
703-221-4951 (DV hotline)
www.actspwc.org

Sexual Assault Victims Advocacy Service (SAVAS)

P.O. Box 4783
Woodbridge, VA 22194
703-368-4141 (hotline)
www.actspwc.org

Woodstock (Township)

Response, Inc.

P.O. Box 287
Woodstock, VA 22664
540-459-5599
540-459-5161 (hotline)
www.responseva.org/

Wythe County

Family Resource Center, Inc.

P.O. Box 612
Wytheville, VA 24382
276-625-0219
800-613-6145 (hotline)
www.frcinc.org

York County

Avalon: A Center for Women and Children

P.O. Box 6805
Williamsburg, VA 23188
757-258-5022
757-258-5051 (hotline)
www.avaloncenter.org

Center for Sexual Assault Survivors

718 J. Clyde Morris Blvd, Ste B
Newport News, VA 23601
757-599-9844
757-236-5260 (hotline)
www.visitthecenter.org

Transitions Family Violence Services

P.O. Box 561
Hampton, VA 23669-0561
757-722-2261
757-723-7774 (hotline)
www.transitionsfvs.org



APPENDIX D – FATALITY REVIEW TEAMS

VIRGINIA'S DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FATALITY REVIEW TEAMS

Bedford County Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team

For more information contact:
Heather Jones, Interim Director
Bedford Domestic Violence Services
P.O. Box 783
Bedford, VA 24523
540-587-0970
Heather.Jones@dss.virginia.gov

Chesterfield County Intimate Partner & Family Violence Fatality Review Team

For more information contact:
Lindsay Cassada, Coordinator
Chesterfield County Domestic and Sexual Violence Resource Center
P.O. Box 40
Chesterfield, VA 23832
804-318-8265
cassadal@chesterfield.gov

Colonial Area Family and Intimate Partner Violence Fatality Review Team (James City County, Poquoson, Williamsburg, York County)

For more information contact:
Amy Jacobson
Colonial Community Corrections
4093 Ironbound Road, Ste B
Williamsburg, VA 23188
757-564-2311
Amy.Jacobson@jamescitycountyva.gov

Fairfax County Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team

For more information contact:
Toni Zollicoffer & Jessica Greis-Edwardson
Office for Women & Domestic Violence Services,
Office of the Commonwealth's Attorney
12000 Government Center Parkway, Ste 339
Fairfax, VA 22035
Chatonia.Zollicoffer@fairfaxcounty.gov
Jessica.Greis-Edwardson@fairfaxcounty.gov

Four Rivers Regional Fatality Review Partnership

(New Kent County, Charles City, King William, King and Queen and the town of West Point)
For more information contact:
Sarah Okolita, Client Services Director
Quin Rivers, Inc
12025 Courthouse Circle
New Kent, VA 23124
sokolita@quinrivers.org

Franklin County Family Violence Fatality & Community Response Team

For more information contact:
Katrina Hancock
Domestic Violence Advocate Coordinator
Office of the Sheriff, Franklin County VA
70 East Court Street
Rocky Mount, VA 24151
540-483-3000 ext. 2407
katrinahancock@franklincountyva.gov

Hampton Family Violence Fatality Review Team

For more information contact:
Sanu Dieng, Managing Director Transitions Family Violence Services
P.O. Box 561 Hampton, VA 23669
757-722-2261
sdieng@transitionsfvs.org

Henrico County Family Violence Fatality Review Team

For more information contact:
Beth C. Bonniwell, MSW Senior Management Specialist Henrico County Police H Division
7721 E. Parham Rd.
P.O. Box 90775
Henrico, VA 23273-0775
804-501-5732
bon@henrico.us

Loudoun County

For more information contact:
Josephine Gonzalez, MPP
Loudoun Domestic Abuse Response Team (D.A.R.T.) Coordinator
Loudoun Abused Women's Shelter (LAWS)
105 East Market Street
Leesburg, VA 20176
703-443-2810
Josephine.Gonzalez@lcsj.org

Lynchburg City Family Violence Fatality Review Team

For more information contact:
Susan Clark, Victim Witness Director
Office of the Commonwealth's Attorney,
City of Lynchburg
901 Church St.
P.O. Box 1539
Lynchburg, VA 24505
434-455-3766
sclark@ocalynchburg.com

**Mathews County Family Violence
Fatality Review Team**

For more information contact:

Sheriff Mark Barrick
P.O. Box 190
10622 Buckley Hall Road
Mathews, VA 23109
804-725-7177
sheriff@co.mathews.va.us

**Monticello Area Domestic Violence
Fatality Review Team**

(Albemarle County and
City of Charlottesville)

For more information contact:

Jon Zug
Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney,
Albemarle County
410 East High St.
Charlottesville, VA 22902
434-972-4072
jzug@albemarle.org

**Newport News Family and Intimate Partner
Violence Fatality Review Team**

For more information contact:

Laura Dobson
Office of the Commonwealth's
Attorney - Victim/Witness
2501 Washington Avenue, 6th Floor
Newport News, VA 23605
757-926-7257
ldobson@nnva.gov

**Norfolk Family Violence
Fatality Review Team**

For more information contact:

Philip G. Evans,
Deputy Commonwealth's Attorney,
City of Norfolk
757-664-4815
Phil.Evans@norfolk.gov

**Pulaski County Domestic Violence
Fatality Review Team**

For more information contact:

Mary Beth Pulsifer
Women's Resource Center
of the New River Valley
P.O. Box 477
Radford, VA 24143
540-639-5700
cornerstone@wrcnrv.org

**City of Richmond Family Violence
Fatality Review Team**

For more information contact:

Sarah Heller
Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney,
City of Richmond
1600 Oliver Hill Way
Oliver Hill Courthouse
Richmond, VA 23219
804-646-3530
Sarah.Heller@richmond.gov

**Roanoke Valley Regional Family and Intimate
Partner Violence Fatality Review Team**

(County of Roanoke, Cities of Roanoke
and Salem, Town of Vinton)

For more information contact:

Melissa Ratcliff Harper,
Forensic Nurse Examiner
Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital
1906 Belleview Avenue
Roanoke, VA 24014
540-521-0365 or 540-266-6025
mrharper@carilionclinic.org

**Washington/Bristol Domestic Violence
Fatality Review Team**

(County of Washington, City of Bristol)

For more information contact:

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210 Piedmont Avenue Ste 2
Bristol, VA 24201
276-645-7200
jawolfe@bristolva.org

Statewide Technical Assistance

Family and Intimate Partner Violent
Death Prevention Projects
Virginia Department of Health,
Office of the Chief Medical Examiner
737 North 5th Street, Ste 301
Richmond, VA 23219
804-205-3856



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