

The following are different types of resources that are available in most communities:

- Child Advocacy Centers (CAC) provide multi-disciplinary investigation coordination and services for survivors of child sexual abuse, including forensic interviews, mental health services, and community referrals for further support. In order to be directly served by a CAC, there has to be a criminal investigation, but anyone can call to learn more about what services are available to minor survivors of sexual abuse in your area. You can find your local CAC at www.nationalcac.org/find-a-cac.
- Community Domestic Violence (DV) programs provide services like helplines, crisis intervention, shelter placement, court accompaniment, and resource connection for people who have experienced domestic or dating violence. You can find your local DV program at: www.thehotline.org.
- Community Sexual Violence (SV) programs provide similar services to DV programs, but specifically for those who have experienced sexual abuse. Find your local SV program at www.centers.rainn.org.
- For those seeking ongoing therapy or mental health services, you can find listings at www.psychologytoday.com. These listings are easily filterable by location, type of insurance accepted, gender preference, age of client, type of trauma experienced, shared religion/faith, and more. For therapists who specialize in treating sex offenders specifically, visit www.atsa.com/referral.
- Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANEs) and Forensic Nurse Examiners (FNEs) are specially trained medical professionals who collect medical evidence that can be used in court, following a sexual assault. Learn more at www.forensicnurses.org.
- There are Crime Victim Compensation Funds available to provide monetary compensation to victims of crimes. Typically, this requires that a law enforcement report has already been made. Locate your local office at www.nacvcb.org.
- Free or low-cost civil legal advice and services are available to those who qualify based on income. Find your local office at www.lsc.gov.