



## Domestic Violence in Florida

### WHAT IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE?

Domestic violence is the willful intimidation, physical assault, battery, sexual assault, and/or other abusive behavior as part of a systematic pattern of power and control perpetrated by one intimate partner against another. It includes physical violence, sexual violence, threats, and emotional abuse. The frequency and severity of domestic violence can vary dramatically.

### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN FLORIDA

- In 2013, 108,030 domestic violence incidents were reported to police in Florida.<sup>i</sup> Many more incidents went unreported.
- Although overall crime rates in Florida decreased in 2013, rates of domestic violence remained the same, and incidence of stalking actually *increased* 19%.<sup>ii</sup>
- 170 domestic violence homicides took place in Florida in 2013.<sup>iii</sup>
- Guns were used in 56% of domestic violence homicides in Florida from 2006 to 2012.<sup>iv</sup>

### DID YOU KNOW?

- 1 in 3 women and 1 in 4 men have experienced some form of physical violence by an intimate partner<sup>v</sup>
- On a typical day, domestic violence hotlines nationwide receive approximately 20,800 calls.<sup>vi</sup>
- Intimate partner violence accounts for 15% of all violent crime.<sup>vii</sup>
- The presence of a gun in a domestic violence situation increases the risk of homicide by 500%.<sup>viii</sup>
- 72% of all murder-suicides involved an intimate partner; 94% of the victims of these crimes are female.<sup>ix</sup>

### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAMS IN FLORIDA

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Congressional District

Family Life Center  
Bunnell  
(386) 437-7747

FavorHouse of NW Florida  
Pensacola  
(850) 434-1177

Shelter House  
Fort Walton Beach  
(850) 243-1201

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District

Refuge House  
Tallahassee  
(850) 922-6062

The Salvation Army Domestic Violence Shelter  
Panama City  
(850) 769-7989

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Or, online go to [DomesticShelters.org](http://DomesticShelters.org)





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### 3<sup>rd</sup> Congressional District

Programs for Peaceful  
Living  
Bingen  
(509) 493-1533

Human Response  
Network  
Chehalis  
(360) 748-6601

Crisis Support  
Network  
Raymond  
(360) 875-6702

Korean Women's  
Association  
Tacoma  
(253) 5305-4202

### 4<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

Micah's Place  
Fernandina Beach  
(904) 491-63645<sup>th</sup>  
Congressional District

Harbor House of  
Central Florida  
Orlando  
(407) 886-2244

Hubbard House  
Jacksonville  
(904) 354-0076

SafeHouse of  
Seminole  
Lake Monroe  
(407) 302-5220

### 6<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

Domestic Abuse Council  
Daytona Beach  
(386) 257-2297

Lee Conlee House  
Palatka  
(386) 325-4447

Safety Center of St. Johns  
County  
Saint Augustine  
(904) 808-8544

### 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

SafeSpace  
Stuart  
(772) 223-2399

Serene Harbor  
Palm Bay  
(321) 953-5389

The Salvation Army Brevard  
County Domestic Violence  
Program  
Cocoa  
(321) 632-2766

### 9<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

Help Now of Osceola  
Kissimmee  
(407) 847-3260

### 10<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

Haven of Lake and Sumter Counties  
Leesburg  
(352) 787-5889

### 11<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

Haven of Lake and Sumter  
Counties  
Leesburg  
(352) 787-5889

Dawn Center  
Spring Hill  
(352) 684-7191

Ocala Rape Crisis/Domestic  
Violence Center  
Ocala  
(352) 351-4009

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### 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

The Salvation Army Domestic Violence Program of  
West Pasco  
Port Richey  
(727) 856-6498

Sunrise Domestic and Sexual Violence Center  
Dade City  
(352) 521-3358

### 13<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

The Haven of RCS  
Clearwater  
(727) 584-3528

### 14<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

Community Action Stops Abuse  
St. Petersburg  
(727) 895-4912 (Ext. 100)

The Spring of Tampa Bay  
Tampa  
(813) 247-5433

### 16<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

HOPE Family Services  
Bradenton  
(941) 747-8499

Safe Place and Rape Crisis Center  
Sarasota  
(941) 365-0208

### 17<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

CARE  
Punta Gorda  
(941) 639-549

Martha's House  
Okeechobee  
(863) 763-2893

Peace River Domestic Violence  
Shelter  
Lakeland  
(863) 413-2708

### 19<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

The Shelter for Abused Women and Children  
Naples  
(239) 775-3862

### 21<sup>st</sup> Congressional District

Women in Distress of Broward County  
Lighthouse Point  
(954) 760-9800

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### 22<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District

AVDA  
Delray Beach  
(561) 265-3797

YWCA of Palm Beach  
West Palm Beach  
(561) 640-0050

### 24<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

Miami Dade Activists for Victims  
Miami  
(305) 285-5904

### 25<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

The Lodge  
Miami  
(305) 639-1170

### 26<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

Domestic Abuse Shelter  
Marathon Shores  
(305) 743-5452

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