

**Vermont Network
Against
Domestic Violence and
Sexual Assault**



**Children and Youth
Advocacy
Directory**

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Vermont Network Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

Youth Advocacy Task Force

MISSION STATEMENT

The Youth Advocacy Task Force (YATF) is a statewide coalition of Domestic and Sexual Violence advocates. We acknowledge the specific injustices experienced by young people and are committed to holding their integrity and human rights as paramount in our commitment to eradicating Domestic and Sexual Violence.

Vermont Network Children/Youth Advocacy Directory

AWARE

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Elizabeth Bryant	Youth Advocate	“ “	

Children/Youth Programming:

School/Education Program:

Prevention work in area schools addressing healthy and unhealthy relationships, sexual violence, and sexual harassment, media violence, and programs for students with special needs.

Support Groups:

Teens

Weekly teen group that is community based. The teens coordinate school wide events and group activities as well as have discussions with a focus on teen relationship and safety related issues.

Other

Groups for children of adult survivors who receive services, child witnesses of domestic violence, and children who experience sexual violence or bullying.

Ongoing Emotional Support:

For children who witness domestic violence or experience sexual violence.

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Adult Programming:

Education:

Presentations at area colleges and conferences on SV, DV, youth and effects of media.

Emotional Support:

For non-offending parents and caregivers.

Rural Domestic Violence and Child Abuse Project:

Work with local teams and SRS Domestic Violence Unit in ongoing efforts to increase delivery and access to services for rural youth and women. Work with local SRS offices to better understand each agency's purpose and practice in order to better serve women, children and youth who have been abused.

Battered Women's Services and Shelter

Address: PO Box 652, Barre, VT 05641

Office: 802-476-6010 Hotline: 1-877-543-9498 (toll free)

Fax: 802-479-9310

e-mail: bwss@together.net or shelter@together.net

Children/Youth Program Staff:

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Children/Youth Programming:

School/Education Programming:

We offer "Violence-Free Relationships Project" to middle and high school students throughout Washington County. This program provides teenagers with alternatives to the use of violence in relationships. We increase their awareness concerning community and state resources. Additionally, we offer support groups for teens.

"Nobody Like Me!" Support Group:

A creative playgroup for kids 4-8 years old, "Nobody Like Me!" is a 12-week program exploring feelings, conflict resolution, self-esteem, by Wendy Stevens.

Battered Women’s Services and Shelter (continued)

Shelter:

We provide individual interaction with children in shelter geared to their particular needs and support women in shelter concerning parenting issues

Clarina Howard Nichols Center

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Children/Youth Programming:

Shelter Program:

The shelter program works to provide support and empowerment to both children and moms through the use of positive communication, modeling healthy interaction, and allowing for expression of feelings.

Playgroups:

“Tuesday Night Group” is open to all children whose mothers are attending Tuesday Night Support Groups for victims of DV.

Mentoring Program:

This program is open to all children in Lamoille County who have experienced DV. Mentors make a one year commitment and go through a 22 hour training. They are then teamed up with a youth with similar interests and gender.

School/Education Program:

“Building Healthy Relationships” Violence Prevention Programs include varied presentations to elementary, middle, high school and college students. Workshops are tailored to meet individual school and class needs. Topics focus on empowering young people to make healthy choices in relationships and giving them tools to keep themselves safe.

Clarina Howard Nichols Center (continued)

Topics include but are not limited to:

- Healthy vs. unhealthy communication
- Healthy vs. unhealthy uses of power
- family, dating, and peer violence
- sexual harassment and assault
- bullying
- personal and sexual rights
- healthy expression of anger
- safety planning

Middle School Teen Gender Specific Groups held at middle school.

Rural Domestic Violence and Child Abuse Project:

Work with local teams and SRS Domestic Violence Unit in ongoing efforts to increase delivery and access to services for rural youth and women. Work with local SRS offices to better understand each agency’s purpose and practice in order to better serve women, children and youth who have been abused.

New Beginnings

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Children/youth Programming:

School/Education Programs:

- Healthy Relationships
- Teen dating Violence
- Sexual Harassment
- Ophelia Speaks Group for Girls

Project Against Violent Encounters (PAVE)

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Children/Youth Programming:

School/Education Programs:

My Choice

Objective: To help empower individuals by teaching practical skills to express emotions in a healthy, non-violent manner in relationships.

Community Leadership

Objective: To develop a sense of civic engagement and leadership, with the hopes of creating a more compassionate and responsible society. This project helps to develop six-core elements of character education, *Integrity, Respect, Responsibility, Citizenship, Caring, and Fairness.*

Hands Are Not For Hitting

Overall objective: to help children ages 3-8, identify emotion, and discuss healthy ways to express their emotions. *Hands Are Not for Hitting* is an interactive conflict resolution and violence unit. This program is offered for pre-school and early elementary age groups.

Real to Reel: a mentoring program

A major initiative Youth and Community Educator in 2004 will be *Real to Reel: a mentoring program.* This a project is a collaboration with Mount Anthony Union High School (MAUHS), Southern Vermont College, Catamount Access Television (CAT-TV), and local community members. The design of this program focuses on the need for creative healthy teenage expression. *Real to Reel* will match students with a carefully screened college mentor from Southern Vermont College. Each student will participate in film production courses and acting workshops and will be involved in all aspects of producing a weekly series or short films to address positive social

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change that will air on CAT-TV.

Real to Reel will focus on healthy and innovative avenues for teens to express issues on dating, teen violence, healthy choices, and other relevant social issues. We incorporate mentoring as a vehicle to help protégées learn how to develop strong and healthy relationships. In the course of the Film Project, working side by side with their mentors, protégées will learn the value of teamwork in a creative environment and gain self-confidence as they develop pre-vocational skills, leadership skills, community awareness, and social competence.

Come Draw With Me

This program is designed to reach young people ages 5 –7 who have difficulty expressing their emotions or difficulty expressing them appropriately. When children have better communication skills they are more apt to be successful and experience greater self-esteem. The goal of Come Draw With Me is to provide a weekly forum for young people to air their thoughts and feelings through story telling and expressive arts.

Bullying Prevention: the role of adults

(Currently being designed for the 2004-2005 school year)

Program for school administrators, staff, and parents to identify m bullying tactics, methods of prevention and intervention, and differences in male and female bullying and other related topics.

Rutland County Women’s Network and Shelter

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Rutland County Women's Network and Shelter (continued)

Children/Youth Programming:

General:

In shelter children's services, children's counseling, therapeutic kids group, small mentoring program

School/Education Programs:

Child Assault Prevention for elementary schools, Healthy Boundaries curriculum for Jr. High, and dating violence prevention for High Schools.

Sexual Assault Crisis Team (SACT)

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Office: (802) 476-1388 Hotline: (802) 479-5577 Fax: (802) 476-1381

e-mail: gagnepad@aol.com

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Children/Youth Programming:

Shelter Program:

Shelter for adult and child, male and female survivor's of sexual violence.

School/Education Programs:

"Bobbi Bear" Program: Comprehensive anti-violence, positive communication, and self-esteem program for grades 1 through 4.

Teen Programs: Various topics such as dating violence, sexual assault, and verbal, physical and sexual harassment. While presentation requests are often made by teachers, SACT will present at the request of students.

School Mediation Program:

Service offered to parents and students in which a SACT advocate meets with school staff to provide support and intervention on behalf

Sexual Assault Crisis Team (SACT) (continued)
of a family.

Youth Groups:

Youth Support Groups

10 week issue based groups

General Topic Teen Groups

10 week groups whose topics are decided by group members.
Topics often include: sexuality, decision making,
community, etc.

Emergency Crisis Response:

Varied services to all aged children who have experienced sexual violence or threats of violence. SACT is included as part of SRS's protocol and works closely with the county's Child Advocacy Center-*Our House*.

High School Internship Program:

High School students can intern at SACT, receive 40 hours training, buddy with an advocate, and participate in school programs.

Safeline

Address: PO Box 446, Randolph, VT 05060

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Children/Youth Programming:

School/Education Programs:

- Hands Are Not For Hitting-grades K through 4
- Quit It-grades K through 3 (bullying and teasing)
- Bullyproof-grades 4 & 5 (bullying, teasing)
- Personal Safety-grades K through 6
- Conflict Resolution-grades K through 6

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Self Esteem-grades K through 6

Healthy Relationships-grades 6 through 12

Dating Violence-grades 7 through 12

Date Rape-grades 7 through 12

Sexual Harassment-grades 7 through 12

Safe Art/Theatrical- “Remember My Name” grades 7 through 12

“Wedding Dresses” grades 9 through 12

Programs can also be developed to meet specific needs and age groups.

Other:

In addition to presenting programs, in-service and staff trainings, Safeline offers many informal brochures, videos, and access to many sources of information (including teen dating issues) for youth services in our service area. Safeline advocates for the safety of children and youth in our service area by participating on Child Protection Teams.

Advocates also participate on the Network Youth Advocacy and Sexual Violence Task Forces.

Step O.N.E

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Children/Youth Programming:

School/Education Programs:

“No More Bullies” Bullying Prevention Presentations to K-5th

“Healthy Relationships” for teens

Sexual Violence: date rape and consent

Stages: Students Talking About Growth Experiences and Sharing.

Step O.N.E (continued)

Support/Play Groups:

Children’s Support Group

Concurrent with women survivor’s group

“POP ART”- Power-of-Play Art, Respect, and Talking
groups for women and their children

Ongoing Support:

On an as needed basis for child witnesses, teen survivors of SV and dating violence, and mothers who are survivors of DV or SV.

Adult Presentations about children/youth:

Trainings for faculty and school staff on requested various topics including the “Effects of DV on Children”.

Rural Domestic Violence and Child Abuse Project:

Work with local teams and SRS Domestic Violence Unit in ongoing efforts to increase delivery and access to services for rural youth and women. Work with local SRS offices to better understand each agency’s purpose and practice in order to better serve women, children and youth who have been abused.

Umbrella, Inc.

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Children/Youth Programming:

School/Education Presentations: (Topics include but are not limited to)

Harassment (Recommended for grades 3rd & 4th)

Sexual Harassment (Recommended for grades 6th -12th)

No Bullying Allowed 1 (Recommended for grades K-2nd)

No Bullying Allowed 2 (Recommended for grades 3rd -5th)

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Building Healthy Relationships

(Recommended for grades 6th -12th)

Healthy vs. Unhealthy Relationship

(Recommended for grades 6th -12th)

Dating Violence (Recommended for grades 7th -12th)

Teen Sexual Assault (Recommended for grades 7th -12th)

Self Esteem & Raising Self Confidence

(Recommended for grades 4th -12th)

Body Image (Recommended for grades 6th -12th)

Gender Respect (Recommended for grades 6th -12th)

Evaluating Relationships (Recommended for grades 7th -12th)

Kids Always Know and it Always Hurts

(Recommended for grades 1st - 8th)

Conflict Resolution (Recommended for grades 3rd - 6th)

Peaceful Solutions 1 (Recommended for grades 2nd -5th)

Peaceful Solutions 2 (Recommended for grades 6th - 8th)

Peaceful Solutions 3 (Recommended for grades 9th-12th)

Internet Safety 1 (Recommended for grades 3rd-6th)

Internet Safety 2 (Recommended for grades 7th-12th)

Act Like a Man–Al Cormier from the DOC

(Recommended for grades 7th-12th)

Domestic Violence 101 (Typically for Adults)

Effects of Battering on Children (Typically for Adults)

Most of the topics can be covered in an hour-long presentation and all topics can be tailored to meet the needs of certain age groups. These topics are also incorporated into support groups and the educational groups that we offer as part of our services to the community.

Support/Play groups:

“Afternoon Adventures”

For children 4-7 years old who are referred by area schools and are at risk of or have been exposed to DV/SV. The groups meets once a week for the entire school year

“Lunch Bunch”

This group is for 7th and 8th grade girls. The group meets once a week at lunchtime for 10 weeks to talk and learn about the tough

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issues facing teen girls today and in the future. Usually a community project is planned.

“A Boy’s Life”

This group is for 5th & 6th grade boys, or 7th & 8th grade boys. The group meets once a week for 10 weeks. “A Boy’s Life” addresses many of the tough issues facing teen boys today and in the future.

“Peaceful Solutions” A (for 1st and 2nd graders)

This is a 10-week curriculum presently geared toward 1st and 2nd graders. Students learn to identify feelings and find safe solutions when dealing with anger.

“Peaceful Solutions” B (Jr. High and High School)

This group is for Jr. High and High School students. The group’s primary goal is to meet the needs of students who have difficulty dealing with issues surrounding anger management. All members work toward managing conflict in a safe and healthy way. The group meets once a week at lunchtime for 10-weeks.

“Strong Girls” (girls between the ages of 6-10)

The “Strong Girls” an Annapolis based program of the YWCA. This groups meets for 1 1/2 hours per week and is a 12-week curriculum which provides girls between the ages of 6-10 who have witnessed domestic violence with a safe place to be heard. Through a multitude of creative activities the members of the “Strong Girls” learn problem-solving techniques, safety planning, stress reduction techniques and the difference between adult and child issues.

“PCC Discussions” (Parent Child Center)

This is a 10-12 week group, which meets 1 hour per week. It is held at NECKA’s Parent Child Center. This groups centers mainly on relationship issues as well as self-esteem, body image, and resolving conflicts.

Other:

“A Newsletter for Children

Rocky’s Activity and Learning Club”

There are three different newsletters distributed each month: 1st & 2nd grade, 3rd & 4th grade and 5th & 6th grade. Each newsletter consists of 13

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the special characteristics of that particular month. Each month contains activities including word searches, mazes and crossword puzzles. Other sections of the newsletter contains a joke, a “kid friendly” craft, a “kid friendly” recipe, monthly “Safety Tips” and a section on building self-esteem called “Feeling Good About Me”. The Newsletter is distributed to two area schools, reaching approximately 595 children each month. **Note: The newsletter was named after my 12-year-old Bassett Hound, Rocky.*

Rural Domestic Violence and Child Abuse Project:

Work with local teams and SRS Domestic Violence Unit in on going efforts to increase delivery and access to services for rural youth and women. Work with local SRS offices to better understand each agency’s purpose and practice in order to better serve women, children and youth who have been abused.

Voices Against Violence/Laurie’s House

Address: PO Box 72, St. Albans, VT 05478
Office: (802) 524-8538 Hotline: (802) 524-6575 Fax: (802) 524-8539
e-mail: arcrisis@adelphia.net

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Children/Youth Programming:

Shelter Program:

We provide support and advocacy to children living in the shelter. This includes maintaining a playroom for the children as well as coordinating activities to do with the children.

School/Education Program:

Present programs at schools throughout Franklin and Grand Isle Counties, addressing Healthy/Unhealthy Relationships, Teen Dating Violence, Respectful Communications, Bullying, Harassment, Sexual Harassment, Feelings, Getting to Know Your Feelings, Anger and Healthy Ways To Express Anger, Personal Safety, Good Touch/ Ba

Voices Against Violence/Laurie's House (continued)

Touch, and the Effects of Domestic Violence on Children

Community Outreach:

Work with local Teen Centers as well as the Youth Advisory Council to address the needs of young people in the area. Present educational programs for teen groups and events in the community.

Support Groups:

In collaboration with Children's Upstream Services, we facilitate support groups for children who have witnessed domestic violence. We are currently updating our curriculum and working hard to include a group in Grand Isle County and a group in Richford or Enosburg, to better serve the rural population.

Ongoing Emotional Support:

Ongoing and one on one emotional support is provided to children in shelter.

Other:

Mentoring Program (*coming soon*)

In the summer of 2004, we work on creating a mentoring program to serve all children in need, but will also focus specifically on children who have witnessed domestic violence.

Rural Domestic Violence and Child Abuse Project:

Provides specific support for children's programs within the Rural Domestic Violence and Child Abuse Project. Provides technical assistance to SRS Domestic Violence Unit. Works with all grant partners in ongoing efforts to increase delivery and access to services for rural youth and women and efforts to better understand each agency's purpose and practice in order to better serve women, children and youth who have been abused.

WomenSafe, Inc.

Address: PO Box 67, Middlebury, VT 05753

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WomenSafe (continued)

Children/Youth Program Staff:

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Children/Youth Programming:

Presentations:

Healthy Relationships/Dating Violence; Sexual Harassment/Sexual Assault/Date Rape; Effects of Media Images; Gender Stereotypes; and "Hands Are Not For Hitting" for pre-school aged children.

Supervised Visitation Program:

Monitoring of court ordered supervised contact for children and their non-custodial parent when safety of children and their custodial parent is at risk.

Community Outreach:

Networking and education with mothers, schools, childcare providers, social service agencies, regarding the effects of domestic violence on children.

Women's Information Service (WISE)

Address: 79 Hanover St., Suite One, Lebanon, NH 03766

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Children/Youth Programming:

School/Education Programs:

6th- 8th grade programs:

2-3 day workshop

Topics include: Power in Relationships, Bullying, Sexual Harassment, Staying Safe

9th and 10th grade programs:

5 day workshop

Women's Information Service (WISE) (continued)

Topics include: Gender Stereotypes, Dating Violence, Sexual Violence, Domestic Violence and Healthy Relationships

10th grade and up:

Advanced workshops as requested
Peer Counselor training workshop

Presentations:

Impact of DV on Children trainings for:

Parents
Faculty
Child care providers
Child mental health care providers
Home visitors
Other community members

Support Groups:

Women and Children Support Group

Two age appropriate groups to support children ages 3-8 who have witnessed domestic violence at home.

The children's mothers attend a group for survivors of domestic violence that runs at the same time.

Healthy Relationships Group

Group mission statement: Our group is a place where we can discuss abuse issues and family relationships through music, movies, activities, scenarios, role-plays and art in an open, fun and respectful way. Meets bi-weekly in collaboration with Hannah House, the local pregnant and parenting teen center.

Ongoing Emotional Support:

For the children who stay in shelter

Women Helping Battered Women (WHBW)

Address: PO Box 1535, Burlington, VT 05402

Office: (802) 658-3131 Hotline: (802) 658-1996

Fax: (802) 658-3832 (office) 658-0676 (shelter)

e-mail: whbw@whbw.org; Web: www.whbw.org

Women Helping Battered Women (continued)

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Children/Youth Programming:

Shelter Services

Provides on-going support and advocacy for shelter and safe home residents which includes needs assessments with mothers and children, work with children one-on-one, work with children and mothers on parenting and interactions, advocacy for children who need access to community resources, and follow-up services.

Groups

Educational play/support groups are for children ages 3-18 and are designed based on identified needs. Groups can be on-going or time limited and vary in age groupings according to need. Groups are open to children from families that currently use WHBW services and through referrals from school social workers, guidance counselors, etc. Groups are play based with topics focusing on issues of safety planning, feelings identification, conflict resolution, anger management, sexual abuse prevention, diversity and self esteem.

Hotline

Children's Program staff are available for hotline calls with mothers who want to discuss the impact of domestic violence on their children as well as parenting concerns.

Consultation

Children's Program staff are available for consultations with practitioners from different agencies and systems in the community. They are available to give presentations and workshops and offer private consultations on specific cases or issues.

Education Program

Various presentations sometimes co-presented with other WHBW staff are available for different aged students, as well as school faculty and staff. Topics vary depending on need and include the

topics listed below.
Bullies and Teasing
Healthy Relationships
Dating and Violence
Intimate partner violence in the US

Women Helping Battered Women (continued)

Paradigm Project presentations also available.

A joint educational project with Women Helping Battered Women, Women’s Rape Crisis Center and SafeSpace focusing on the three agencies common goals to end dating violence, sexual violence, and hate crimes.

Women’s Crisis Center (WCC)

Address: PO Box 933, Brattleboro, VT 05302
Office: (802) 257-7364 Hotline: (802) 254-6954 Fax: (802) 257-1683
e-mail: wmnsc@together.net

Children/Youth Program Staff:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>E-mail</u>
		257-7364	wmnsc@together.net

Children/Youth Programming:

In-shelter Services:

Provides on-going support for shelter resident children/youth and their mothers including play groups.

School/Education/Dialogue Groups:

Groups for Middle and High School students that increase knowledge and understanding of the terms rape, consent, and sexual assault. The groups create a safe forum for students to discuss the issues of sexual violence and harassment. Presentations on topics of teen dating violence, date rape, and healthy relationships.

Support Groups for Teens

The Women's Rape Crisis Center (WRCC)

Address: PO Box 92, Burlington, VT 05402
Office: (802) 864-0555 Hotline: (802) 863-1236
Fax: (802) 863-8449 TTY: (802) 846-2544
e-mail: stoprape@sover.net

Women's Rape Crisis Center (continued)

Children/Youth Program Staff:

Name	Position	Phone	E-mail
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Melody	Victim Advocate	same	
Danielle Lavesque	Victim Advocate	same	Danielle@stoprapevermont.org
Lilah Sutherland	Victim Advocate	same	Lilah@stoprapevermont.org

Children/Youth Programming:

School/Education Program:

The WRCC offers educational workshops to middle and high school students, college students, educators, professionals, and community members.

Topics include:

- Staying Safe-grades K through 4
- Bullies and Teasing-grades K through 4
- Healthy Relationships-grades 4 through 8
- Dating and Violence-grades 9 through adult
- Sexual Harassment-grades 5 through adult
- The Clothesline Project-grades 9 through adult
- Domestic Violence in the US-grade 9 through adult
- Date and Acquaintance Rape-Grades 9 through adult
- Date Rape Drugs

Paradigm Project:

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Direct Service:

Our hotline and support services are available to teens and adults in

Women's Rape Crisis Center (continued)

Chittenden County. We offer crisis counseling, support, advocacy, information, and referrals as well as a support group for youth between the ages of 12 and 19. 13% of our hotline callers are girls and boys under the age of 18. Our services for survivors are free of charge and confidential.

Vermont Network Office

Address: PO Box 405, Montpelier, VT 05601

Phone: (802) 223-1302 Fax: (802) 223-6943 TTY: (802) 223-1115

e-mail: VtNetwork@vtnetwork.org

Children/Youth Program Staff:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>E-mail</u>
Amy Torchia	Children's Advocacy Coordinator	223-1302 x 26	amyt@vtnetwork.org

Children/Youth Programming:

Network Program Support:

Supports the development of Network children/youth programming. Provides support, resources, training, and technical assistance to Network children/youth advocates.

Youth Advocacy Task Force:

Provides resources and support for Youth Advocacy Task Force, arranges bi-monthly meetings, trainings, liaison to Network.

Materials and Training:

Develops training materials and provides trainings and presentations on children/youth issues as related to domestic and sexual violence. Often provides trainings in partnership with Network Programs.

Statewide Advocacy:

Serves on interagency committees and teams which address children/youth and child protection issues.

Vermont Network Office (continued)

Rural Domestic Violence and Child Abuse Project:

Provides specific support for children's programs within the Rural Domestic Violence and Child Abuse Project. Provides technical assistance to SRS Domestic Violence Unit. Works with all grant partners in ongoing efforts to increase delivery and access to services for rural youth and women and efforts to better understand each agency's purpose and practice in order to better serve women, children and youth who have been abused.

There is NO EXCUSE for abuse.
If you need help, call

1-800-228-7395
to reach your local
Domestic Violence and
Teen Dating Violence program

OR

1-800-489-7273
to reach your local
Sexual Violence program

Vermont Network Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
PO Box 405
Montpelier, VT 05601
(802) 223-1302, FAX (802) 223-6943, TTY (802) 223-1115

Compiled by: Amy Torchia, Child Advocacy Coordinator, amyt@vtnetwork.org

Vermont Network Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

Local Domestic & Sexual Violence Programs: 24/7 hotlines, options counseling, legal information, emergency safe housing, social services advocacy, hospital advocacy for sexual assault survivors, support groups, support for child witnesses
H = Hotline phone number; O = Program office number
* = Shelter

Addison and the town of Rochester:

WOMENSAFE

P.O. Box 67, Middlebury, VT 05753
H: 388-4205 or 1-800-388-4205
O: 388-9180; FAX: 388-3438; TTY: 388-9181
Email: info@womensafe.net

Bennington:

PROJECT AGAINST VIOLENT ENCOUNTERS

P.O. Box 227, Bennington, VT 05201
H: 442-2111; O: 442-2370; FAX: 442-6162
Email: pavel@adelphia.net

Caledonia and Southern Essex:

UMBRELLA

970 Memorial Drive, St. Johnsbury, VT 05819
H: 748-8141; O: 748-8645; FAX: 748-1405
Email: umbrelladvsv@charter.net

Chittenden:

WOMEN'S RAPE CRISIS CENTER

P.O. Box 92, Burlington, VT 05402
H: 863-1236; O: 864-0555; FAX: 863-8449
stoprape@sover.net

* WOMEN HELPING BATTERED WOMEN

P.O. Box 1535, Burlington, VT 05402
H: 658-1996 O: 658-3131; FAX: 658-3832
Email: whbw@whbw.org

Franklin and Grand Isle:

*VOICES AGAINST VIOLENCE

P.O. Box 72
St. Albans, VT 05478
H: 524-6575; O: 524-8538; FAX: 524-8539
Email: voices@cvoeo.org

Lamoille:

*CLARINA HOWARD NICHOLS CENTER

P.O. Box 517, Morrisville, VT 05661
O: 888-2584; FAX: 888-2570
H: 888-5256 Email: chns@clarina.org

Hardwick area:

AWARE

P.O. Box 307; Hardwick, VT 05843
O: 472-6463; FAX: 472-3504 Email: aware@vtlink.net

Orange and Northeastern Windsor:

SAFELINE

P.O. Box 446, Randolph, VT 05060
H: 1-800-639-7233; O: 728-5647; FAX: 728-5635
Email: safeline@valley.net

Orleans and Northern Essex:

STEP ONE

P.O. Box 1004
Newport, VT 05855
H: 1-800-224-7837; O: 334-0148; FAX: 334-4073
Email: step_one@verizon.com

Rutland:

* RUTLAND COUNTY WOMENS NETWORK AND SHELTER

P.O. Box 313, Rutland, VT 05701
H: 775-3232; O: 775-6788; FAX: 747-0470
Email: rcwns@juno.com

Washington:

* BATTERED WOMEN'S SERVICES AND SHELTER

P.O. Box 652, Barre, VT 05641
H: 1-877-543-9498 O: 476-6010; FAX: 479-9310;
Email: bwss@sover.net

* SEXUAL ASSAULT CRISIS TEAM

4 Cottage Street, Barre, VT 05641
H: 479-5577; O: 476-1388; FAX: 476-1381
Email: gagnepad@aol.com

Windham:

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P.O. Box 933, Brattleboro, VT 05302
H: 254-6954 or 1-800-773-0689
O: 257-7364; FAX: 257-1683 Email: wmnsc@together.net

Windsor (Northeast):

* WOMEN'S INFORMATION SERVICE (WISE)

79 Hanover St., Suite One, Lebanon, NH 03766-1000
H: 603-448-5525; O: 603-448-5922; FAX: 603-448-2799
Email: peggy.oneil@wiseoftheuppervalley.org

Windsor (southern parts):

NEW BEGINNINGS

12 Valley St., Springfield, VT 05156
H: 885-2050 or 674-6700; O: 885-2368; FAX: 885-2363
Email: newbeg@vermontel.net

SPECIALIZED SERVICES:

SAFESPACE – gay, lesbian, trans people

P.O. Box 158, Burlington, VT 05402
863-0003 FAX: 863-0004

DEAF VICTIM'S ADVOCACY SERVICES (DVAS)

TTY: 479-1934 or 800-303-3827; Email: kdarling@dvas.org

Statewide Coalition Office: public policy, statewide trainings, consultation

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