

DEFINITIONS & TYPES OF ABUSE

CHILD ABUSE:

Child Abuse occurs when somebody or a situation threatens the survival, security or the development of a child.

DATING VIOLENCE:

Dating Violence is violence between individuals who have or have had a significant relationship of a romantic or intimate nature.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE:

Domestic Violence is a pattern of controlling behaviors that may include physical, sexual or emotional abuse. The violence can cause severe physical or emotional harm to adults and children.

ELDER ABUSE:

Any form of mistreatment that results in harm or loss to an older person.

TYPES OF ABUSE:

Physical: *Includes hitting, kicking, shoving, choking, stabbing, shooting, scratching, restraining or biting.*

Emotional/Mental/Verbal: *Includes making negative remarks, name calling, threatens to kill animals or to take the children or playing mind games.*

Sexual: *Any unwanted touching, forcing you to have sex or participate in any unwanted, unsafe or degrading sexual activity.*

Economic: *Preventing one from getting or keeping a job, making a person ask for money or controlling all the money.*

Social: *Spreading rumors, using religion or culture to control, using a group to embarrass or intimidate.*

MANDATORY REPORTERS:

*Anyone may report suspected child abuse, but mandatory reporters are all professionals that work with children including health-care providers, childcare or daycare providers, mental health professionals, social workers, school personnel and law enforcement. They are **REQUIRED** to do so by law.*

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

www.lakessn.com

www.ssn.usf.edu

www.fcadv.org

www.dcf.state.fl.us

www.thecenters.us

www.dawncenter.org

www.endkidstears.com

www.capp.peds.ufl.edu

www.ocaladvshelter.org

www.havenlakesumter.org

www.kimberlyscottage.org

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M A R I O N C O U N T Y
C H I L D R E N ' S A L L I A N C E

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OCALA, FL 34475

Phone: 352-438-5990

Fax: 352-438-5994

Website: www.mcchildrensalliance.org

RECOGNIZE IT!

REPORT IT!

PREVENT IT!

(Child Abuse, Dating Violence and Domestic Violence)

FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION



**RESOURCE
GUIDE**

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I N C L U D E S : C I T R U S ,
H E R N A N D O , L A K E , S U M T E R
A N D M A R I O N C O U N T I E S

CIRCUIT 5 RESOURCES

CITRUS COUNTY

Citrus Abuse Shelter Association

24-Hour Hotline (352) 344-8111
Provides safe housing and counseling to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

Clerk of the Court (DV Dept.) (352) 341-6417
Provides assistance in seeking an Injunction for Protection.

Law-Enforcement 911
Any law-enforcement agency in Citrus County can be reached through the 911 emergency response system.

Office of the State Attorney, Victim/Witness Services (352) 341-6670
Provides information, referral and support to victims of crime during the judicial process.

HERNANDO COUNTY

Dawn Center (352) 799-0657
Provides safe housing and counseling to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

Clerk of the Court (352) 754-4201
Provides assistance in seeking an Injunction for Protection.

Law-Enforcement 911
Any law-enforcement agency in Hernando County can be reached through the 911 emergency response system.

Office of the State Attorney, Victim/Witness Services (352) 754-4255
Provides information, referral and support to victims of crime during the judicial process.

LAKE COUNTY

Haven, Inc. 24-Hour Hotline.. (800) 799-7233
Lake County..... (352) 753-5800
Provides safe housing and counseling to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

Clerk of the Court (352) 742-4319
Provides assistance in seeking an Injunction for Protection.

Law-Enforcement 911
Any law-enforcement agency in Lake County can be reached through the 911 emergency response system.

Office of the State Attorney, Victim/Witness Services (352) 742-4236
Provides information, referral and support to victims of crime during the judicial process.

SUMTER COUNTY

Haven, Inc. 24-Hour Hotline . (800) 799-7233
Sumter County ... (352) 753-5800
Provides safe housing and counseling to victims of domestic violence & sexual assault.

Clerk of the Court (352) 793-0211
Provides assistance in seeking an Injunction for Protection.

Law-Enforcement 911
Any law-enforcement agency in Sumter County can be reached through the 911 emergency response system.

Office of the State Attorney, Victim/Witness Services (352) 793-0285
Provides information, referral and support to victims of crime during the judicial process.

Domestic Violence is the single greatest cause of injury to women in America more than rapes, muggings and car accidents combined.

MARION COUNTY

Domestic Violence Center: 24-Hour Hotline (352) 622-8495
Provides safe housing and counseling to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

Clerk of the Court (352) 401-6721
Provides assistance in seeking an Injunction for Protection.

Law-Enforcement 911
Any law-enforcement agency in Marion County can be reached through the 911 emergency response system.

Marion County Sheriff's Office Crisis Intervention Specialist . (352) 369-6745
Trained mental health professional that provides assistance to deputies with 24-hour on scene crisis intervention on calls involving substance abuse, rape victims, elder affairs, domestic violence and homeless persons.

Ocala Police Department Victim Witness Advocates (352) 369-7134
Provides assistance and support to victims of crime and conducts community trainings.

Office of the State Attorney, Victim/Witness Services (352) 620-3800
Provides information, referral and support to victims of crime during the judicial process.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Parent Helpline (800) 352-5683
Call if you're feeling overwhelmed or stressed

Florida's Child Abuse Hotline (800) 96-ABUSE
Call if you suspect child abuse

Florida Domestic Violence Hotline .. (800) 500-1119

National Domestic Violence Hotline (800) 799-7233

Abuse Hotline (DCF)(800) 962-2873
Call to report child abuse, elder abuse or abuse to the disable

Save-A-Friend Hotline(877) 7FRIEND