



RAPE IS NOT PART OF THE PENALTY

GEORGIA RESOURCE GUIDE

COUNSELING AND OTHER SUPPORT SERVICES

AID Atlanta

1605 Peachtree Street
Atlanta, GA 30309
Office: (404) 870-7700
TTY: (404) 870-7801
Georgia Toll-free AIDS and STD Hotline: (800) 551-2728
Hotline Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-9pm EST
Website: www.aidatlanta.org
Email: infoline@aidatlanta.org

AID Atlanta is a non-profit, community-based AIDS services organization serving individuals infected with HIV/AIDS and affected by the AIDS epidemic in Georgia. AID Atlanta has several programs and services for people living with and surviving HIV/AIDS including: case management; primary medical care; mental health counseling; medication and insurance assistance; housing and financial assistance; HIV testing and counseling services; STD screenings and treatment; and other behavioral prevention workshops and HIV awareness programs. AID Atlanta has three case managers dedicated to working with incarcerated and formerly incarcerated HIV+ people. AID Atlanta also operates the Georgia AIDS and STD Infoline, which provides compassionate, non-judgmental information and referrals regarding STDs and HIV/AIDS free of charge. All services are highly confidential.

DeKalb Rape Crisis Center

204 Church St.
Decatur, GA 30030
Office: (404) 377-1429
Decatur/Atlanta 24-hour Hotline: (404) 377-1428
Website: www.dekalbrapecrisiscenter.org

The DeKalb Rape Crisis Center offers comprehensive services to DeKalb County residents who are survivors of sexual assault. Services include: 24-hour hotline and crisis counseling; individual counseling; medical, legal, and criminal justice advocacy and accompaniment; a

weekly support group for survivors; a Multicultural Outreach Program for Latina survivors of sexual assault; and information and referrals. All services are free and confidential.

Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender National Hotline

2261 Market Street, PMB #296

San Francisco, CA 94114

Hotline: (888) 843-4564

Hotline Hours: Monday-Friday, 1-9pm and Saturday, 9am-2pm PST

Website: www.GLBTNationalHelpCenter.org

Email: info@GLBTNationalHelpCenter.org

The Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender National Hotline provides telephone and email peer-counseling, as well as factual information and local resources for cities and towns across the United States. Volunteer peer counselors share information about coming-out issues, relationship concerns, HIV/AIDS anxiety, safer-sex practices, and more. The hotline also maintains the largest resource database of its kind in the United States, with over 15,000 listings. All services are free and confidential.

Georgia Network To End Sexual Assault

131 Ponce de Leon Avenue, Suite 122

Atlanta, GA 30308

Office: (404) 815-5261

Toll-free Office: (866) 354-3672

Website: www.gnesa.org

Email: gnesa@mindspring.com

Georgia Network To End Sexual Assault (GNESA) is a nonprofit coalition of sexual assault agencies and concerned individuals who share the common goal of ending sexual assault. GNESA coordinates and supports public and professional education, advocacy, and service for sexual assault centers and service providers. Currently, GNESA membership includes 35 rape crisis centers, sexual assault centers, nurses, military, campus programs, and other service providers throughout the state. These members provide all or some of the following services for survivors and their families: 24-hour crisis hotline; 24-hour medical accompaniment; legal advocacy; professional counseling for survivors, family, and friends; support groups; and referrals to counseling and other services when needed. Survivors of sexual assault can contact GNESA for referrals to services nearest to them.

Grady Rape Crisis Center

80 Jesse Hill Jr. Drive

Atlanta, GA 30303

24-hour Hotline and Office: (404) 616-4861

Website: www.gradyhealthsystem.org

Grady Rape Crisis Center is located in the Grady Memorial Hospital and provides comprehensive services to survivors of sexual assault. Services include: 24-hour hotline; crisis intervention; hospital accompaniment and advocacy; administration of sexual assault medical

exams; individual counseling; and information and referrals. All services are free and confidential and available to any survivor who contacts Grady Rape Crisis Center.

Gwinnett Sexual Assault Center and Children's Advocacy Center

P.O. Box 1329
Duluth, GA 30096
Office: (770) 497-9122
24-hour Hotline: (770) 476-7407
Website: www.gcas-cac.org

Gwinnett Sexual Assault Center and Children's Advocacy Center (GSAC-CAC) provides comprehensive care and treatment for survivors and families impacted by crimes of sexual assault and/or child sexual assault in Gwinnett and Rockdale Counties. Services include: 24-hour hotline and crisis intervention; 24-hour forensic-medical evidentiary exam, assessment, and evidence collection; personal, family, and legal advocacy; accompaniment services for medical follow-up, interviews, and court; and professional counseling for survivors of sexual assault. All GCAS-CAC services are free of charge.

Rape Crisis Center of the Coastal Empire

Attn: Victim Services Specialist
P.O. Box 8492
Savannah, GA 31412
Office: (912) 233-7273
24-hour Crisis Line: (888) 241-7273
Website: www.rccsav.org
Email: rccounseling@ainweb.net

The Rape Crisis Center (RCC) provides support and information to survivors of rape and child sexual abuse and to their families. RCC advocates can provide 24-hour medical accompaniment for individuals raped while incarcerated. Survivors taken to a hospital in Chatham County can contact the 24-hour crisis line and request an advocate and a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner. For more information and support, survivors can reach a counselor either by calling the 24-hour crisis line or by writing to the Victim Service Specialist at the above address. The RCC also offers medical and court accompaniment, in-person counseling, and support groups for survivors after they have been released and for their loved ones. The RCC does not provide services to individuals convicted of sex offenses. All services are free of charge.

Sexual Assault Center of Northeast Georgia

3019 Lexington Rd
Athens, GA 30605
Office: (706) 546-1133
24-hour Hotline: (706) 353-1912
Toll-free 24-hour Hotline: (877) 363-1912
Website: www.sacnega.org

The Sexual Assault Center of Northeast Georgia (SACNEGA) provides services for adult and child survivors of sexual assault in Clarke, Elbert, Franklin, Hart, Madison, Oconee, and Oglethorpe Counties. Services include: 24-hour hotline; hospital accompaniment and medical advocacy; criminal justice advocacy; and information, referrals, and financial assistance for counseling services. All SACNEGA services are free and confidential.

Sexual Assault Center of Northwest Georgia

P.O. Box 928

Rome, GA 30162

Office: (706) 292-9024

24-hour Hotline: (706) 802-0580

Toll-free 24-hour Hotline: (866) 655-8625

Website: www.sacnwga.org

The Sexual Assault Center of Northwest Georgia (SAC) provides free and confidential support services for anyone who has been affected by sexual violence in the following counties: Catoosa, Chattooga, Dade, Floyd, Gordon, Murray, Polk, Walker, and Whitfield. Services include: 24-hour crisis hotline; one-on-one crisis intervention; 24-hour hospital accompaniment and advocacy; on-site forensic medical exams by a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner; peer led, education based support groups; criminal justice advocacy and court accompaniment; and information and referrals for survivors of sexual assault and their friends and family. SAC also offers limited on-site counseling for women survivors of sexual assault in jail. All services are free and confidential.

Sexual Assault Support Center

710 Center St., Box 10

Columbus, GA 31902

24-hour Hotline: (706) 571-6010

Toll-free 24-hour Hotline: (800) 656-4673

The Sexual Assault Support Center, Inc. (SASC) is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing services to sexual assault survivors and their family members in Chattahoochee Judicial Circuit, which includes six counties: Harris, Muscogee, Chattahoochee, Talbot, Taylor, and Marion. SASC provides: a 24-hour crisis hotline; medical and legal advocacy; and referrals for counseling and therapy. All services are free and confidential.

YouthPride, Inc.

1017 Edgewood Ave.

Atlanta, GA 30307

24-hour Help Line and Office: (404) 521-9711

After Hours: (404) 521-9713

Website: www.youthpride.org

YouthPride is a grass-roots community center that serves LGBT teenagers (13-17) and young adults (18-24) throughout metropolitan Atlanta by providing education, outreach, support services, community activities, and advocacy. Services include: 24-hour HelpLine; drop-in

center six days a week; support groups; HIV testing and prevention; 10 weeks of free counseling and referrals for those in need of long-term therapy; homelessness prevention; suicide prevention; and many other programs for LGBT youth. YouthPride is willing to assist any LGBT youth who have been assaulted in custody. All YouthPride services are free, and hotline calls are confidential.

LEGAL RESOURCES

Atlanta Bar Association: Lawyer Referral Service

229 Peachtree Street, N.E.
400 International Tower
Atlanta, GA 30303
Office: (404) 521-0777

The Atlanta Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service helps people find lawyers suited to their particular type of legal problems. Participating lawyers have indicated the area(s) of law in which they can help clients, and in which counties. The Lawyer Referral Service provides clients with the name, address, and phone number of an attorney who is located in a convenient geographic area, who will provide 30 minutes of legal consultation for \$35. The client and attorney will be able to discuss the case, concerns, or legal issues. The client must negotiate a fee with the attorney for any legal services beyond the initial consultation.

Lambda Legal: Southern Regional Office

730 Peachtree Street, NE, Suite 1070
Atlanta, GA 30308-1210
Phone: (404) 897-1880
Fax: (404) 897-1884
Website: www.lambdalegal.org
E-mail: legalhelpdesk@lambdalegal.org

Lambda Legal is a national organization committed to achieving full recognition of the civil rights of lesbians, gay men, bisexuals, transgender people, and those with HIV through impact litigation, education and public policy work. Southern Regional Office provides services for those who are located in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, or West Virginia.

Help Desk Hours (Eastern Standard Time)

Mondays -- 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Wednesdays -- 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Thursdays -- 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

If Help Desk staff are busy helping other callers, your call will be routed to the Legal Help Desk voicemail. Please leave the following information: name, state, contact info, best time to reach you, and a brief message outlining your legal inquiry. A Help Desk staff person will return your call.

It is usually most efficient for Help Desk callers to contact Lambda Legal by phone. If you are in a place where you are not able to make long distance calls, they can make an appointment to call you. If you are absolutely unable to call Lambda Legal, you may e-mail them at legalhelpdesk@lambdalegal.org or write to the addresses above.

Southern Center for Human Rights

83 Poplar Street, N.W.
Atlanta, GA 30303-2122
Office: (404) 688-1202
Website: www.schr.org
E-mail: rights@schr.org

The Southern Center for Human Rights (SCHR) represents those confined to prisons and jails in class action law suits challenging inhumane conditions of confinement, degrading or discriminatory treatment, denial of medical and mental health care, and other constitutional violations. Center attorneys will respond to complaints sent through the mail by prisoners throughout Georgia, including cases of physical and sexual assault, but prisoners should be aware that the SCHR does not generally litigate individual cases.

GOVERNMENT RESOURCES

Office of the Ombudsman, Georgia Department of Corrections

2 M.L. King, Jr. Dr., S.E.
Suite 954, East Tower
Atlanta, GA 30334
Office: (404) 657-7588
Fax: (404) 651-6537
Website: www.dcor.state.ga.us/CommunityInfo/Ombudsman/Ombudsman.html
Email: ombudsman@dcor.state.ga.us
Online Complaint Form: www.dcor.state.ga.us/pdf/ObmudsmanForm.pdf

The Office of the Ombudsman acts as a single point of contact for family members, advocates, and other concerned citizens who are interested in reporting complaints on behalf of prisoners. The Office of the Ombudsman acts as a bridge between concerned civilians and the Department of Corrections by gathering information that may potentially uncover or lead to the reduction of problems within the corrections system, thus ensuring that the rights and safety of prisoners are protected. Contact the Office of the Ombudsman if there is a legitimate concern pertaining to the care and safety of an inmate, including physical and sexual abuse, threats, harassment, medical and/or mental health treatment.

Georgia Department of Corrections, PREA Coordinator

PREA Coordinator, Angela Grant
Phone: (404) 651-6042
Email: granta00@dcor.state.ga.us

The Department of Corrections has dedicated a full-time position as a Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Coordinator to, among other things, serve as the agency's point of contact regarding all PREA related matters, provide consultation and guidance to facilities' staff with respect to PREA implementation and monitoring, as well as provide oversight for staff PREA training. The PREA Coordinator will analyze reported data and keep prison officials briefed on developing trends, lessons learned, and best practices for detection and prevention of sexual assault and sexual misconduct incidents.

JDI has directly contacted each organization listed in the Resource Guide in hopes of pointing survivors toward those currently accepting new clients. However, the inclusion of any group or individual in the Resource Guide does not necessarily constitute an endorsement or recommendation by JDI, nor can JDI guarantee the availability of the services described here.