

Victims Assistance Center of Jefferson County, Inc.



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Our mission is to provide service to all individuals in our community who are impacted by violence or crime through advocacy, education, and emotional support.

Victims Assistance Center Sexual Assault Shelter **Nurse Examiner Child Advocacy** An emergency safe shelter for ALL Specially trained nurses respond to **Forensic Interviewing** victims and their dependent children **Mobile Office** a hospital when a patient discloses **Child Advocacy** when they are in crisis. It is handicap that they have been sexually assaulted. accessible, pet friendly, and staffed We partner with Samaritan, River, Center A sensitive, neutral interview of a child Mobile units are utilized to conduct 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. and Carthage Hospitals. conducted by a trained professional forensic interviews of a child when a family and observed by a multidisciplinary is unable to reach any of our locations. Serving Jefferson, Lewis and St. team to gather factual information There is one for St. Lawrence County and Lawrence Counties. The CAC provides regarding an allegation of child abuse. one for Jefferson/Lewis Counties. high-quality, specialized services for abused children and their families. We **Response Team** work with law enforcement, case workers, **Volunteers/Interns** prosecutors, advocates, medical and **Child Fatality** Advocate mental health professionals. We provide **Medical Exams** all of our services in a safe, neutral **Review Team** Responds with law enforcement to and child friendly setting. Volunteer opportunities available for individuals or groups. domestic incidents or sexual assaults to To promote safety and education in provide advocacy, crisis intervention, and Specialized evaluation and treatment by our community through a comprehensive, transportation to shelter. Service is Internships available for associates, medical professionals with specific training multidisciplinary examination of the available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. bachelors, and masters level students. in child abuse. The exams are conducted cause, manner and circumstance at the Child Advocacy Center. of a child's death. **Mental Health Prison Rape Elimination Jefferson Community Advocacy Case Management** Specialized, trauma-focused, therapy **Act Advocate College Advocate** services designed to meet the unique needs of adults, children and their non-Provides confidential emotional A collaborative process of assessment, offending caregivers. Provide prevention focused education and support services to currently We offer support, information & referrals to advocacy for students, faculty and staff planning, facilitation, care coordination, Incarcerated individuals who have help families access services and guide on Title IX, bystander intervention, evaluation and advocacy for options experienced sexual assault, sexual abuse. and services to meet an individual's them through the court process. domestic/sexual violence, consent and/or sexual harassment. and family's needs. and healthy relationships.

Safe Harbour

Along with its Critical Team, this program provides human trafficking prevention training to the community. and offers services to high risk and commercially sexually exploited youth All of our cost-free programs work towards our vision -A community free of violence and crime.

Coordinated Entry

Coordinates homeless housing for Jefferson, Lewis and St. Lawrence Counties.