

# Rape Recovery Team

**Our mission is to support and empower survivors of sexual violence by advocating for their rights, dignity, and respect; providing community education; and facilitating professional collaboration. The Rape Recovery Team (RRT) responds quickly and compassionately to survivors of sexual violence and their loved ones whether or not they have chosen to report the crime to police.**

RRT provides specialized services to survivors of sex trafficking and their loved ones. Services are available, free of charge, to survivors of all genders in Duval, Nassau and Baker Counties. Our approach to support is empowerment-based, providing access to information and resources so that survivors can make the choice they feel is best for them. Communications with RRT advocates are confidential.

## **CRISIS INTERVENTION/ADVOCACY**

- On call 24-hours a day, 7 days a week to respond to sexual assault survivors, whether or not they have reported the assault. Informs survivors of their rights and options.
- Provides crisis intervention and emotional support to survivors and their loved ones at any stage of their recovery process.
- Provides information, referrals, outreach, and long-term follow-up to assist survivors with their recovery.
- Peer-led, empowerment-based support groups for survivors of sexual violence.
- Provide information on, and navigation through, the criminal justice process, for survivors who are interested in reporting.
- Advocacy services are available for non-English speakers.

## **SEXUAL ASSAULT FORENSIC EXAM (SAFE) PROGRAM**

- Provides sexual assault forensic exams to survivors of sexual violence ages 18 and older.
- Process includes a head-to-toe medical check, including injury documentation and collection of physical evidence.
- Exams are available within 120 hours (five days) from the time of the assault.
- Sexual assault forensic exams are available whether or not the survivor chooses to make a report to law enforcement.
- The SAFE Program can be contacted 24 hours a day, 7 days a week by calling the 24 Hour Rape Crisis Hotline at 904-721-7273.

## **COUNSELING**

- An income-based sliding scale fee may be charged.
- Individual counseling to survivors of sexual violence and their loved ones.

## **PREVENTION/EDUCATION**

- Sexual violence prevention programming.
- Educational presentations on sexual assault and relationship violence prevention to college and university students, including a focus on the Green Dot curriculum.
- Training for professional staff including those from colleges and universities, medical facilities, social service providers, and law enforcement.

## **VOLUNTEERS**

- All volunteer advocates complete 30 hours of multidisciplinary training along with shadowing.
- Assist with staffing the 24 Hour Rape Crisis Hotline.
- Volunteers and interns are also needed for administrative duties, event planning, and community outreach.

**The Rape Recovery Team has confidential meeting locations in Duval, Baker and Nassau Counties.**

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