

Our Partners

Pillars works with 7 emergency rooms, 2 colleges, and over 30 police departments to care for victims of sexual assault.

Partners include:

- Gottlieb Memorial Hospital, Melrose Park
- Adventist La Grange Memorial Hospital, LaGrange
- Loyola University Medical Center, Maywood
- MacNeal Hospital, Berwyn
- MetroSouth Medical Center, Blue Island
- Rush Oak Park Hospital, Oak Park
- Westlake Hospital, Melrose Park
- Moraine Valley Community College, Palos Hills
- Saint Xavier University, Chicago

Sexual Assault Awareness Month

April is sexual assault awareness month. Show your support by wearing a teal ribbon.

Contact Us

24-hour sexual assault hotline:
708.482.9600

24-hour domestic violence hotline:
708.485.5254

Fax: 708.741.4501

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Sexual Violence Services



A Program Of



making connections...
changing lives

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What is Sexual Assault?

Sexual assault and abuse are terms that refer to sexual contact without consent. Rape, incest, attempted rape and unwanted sexual touch are often called sexual assault.

About Sexual Violence Program

Sexual Violence Services offers counseling, advocacy and innovative therapies for people affected by sexual assault—including a 24-hour crisis line. Crisis center services are confidential, free, and available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. When you call our CONFIDENTIAL 24-hour hotline, a crisis counselor will respond. Counselors, medical advocates and legal advocates are available to help.

Facts about Sexual Violence

- Every 2 minutes, someone in the U.S. is sexually assaulted.
- 67% of rapes are committed by someone known to the victim.
- 44% of sexual assault and rape victims are under age 18.
- 60% of sexual assaults are not reported to the police.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice National Crime Victimization Surveys 2004-2007.

Our Services

- **Legal Advocacy:** Advocates can accompany survivors to police departments and to court proceedings at Maybrook, Bridgeview, and the Chicago courthouses located at 555 W. Harrison Street and 26th and California. We also assist with Civil No Contact Orders.
- **Outreach:** Presentations, professional trainings, and community events. Topics include Sexual Health, Stop Porn Culture, Stalking Awareness, Sexual Assault Awareness, and Child Abuse Awareness.
- **Individual/Group/Family Confidential Counseling:**
 - Provided to survivors of sexual assault, childhood sexual abuse, and incest
 - 10 free sessions for ages 18 years or older
 - Free unlimited sessions for ages 17 years or younger
- **Training:** Pillars facilitates the Illinois Coalition against Sexual Assault 40-hour Sexual Assault Crisis Intervention Training.

How to Get Help?

24-Hour Sexual Assault
Hotline
708.482.9600

Our Programs

- **Volunteer as a Crisis Advocate** and help promote medical/criminal advocacy for victims and their families affected by sexual violence at local ERs and police departments. For more information on volunteer opportunities, please call our Director of Volunteer Coordination at 708.995.3512.
- **Services** that seek to empower women to lead fulfilling, healthy lives, free from the violence and coercion experienced in prostitution and to expose prostitution as violence against women and children.
- **Prevention education** for all ages. Our programs include:
 - Body Safety (preschool-3rd grade)
 - Child Lures (3rd-6th grade)
 - Steps to Respect bullying prevention program (3rd-8th grade)
 - Sexual Harassment (5th-12th grade)
 - Wise Guys/Young Women's Lives (high school/college)
 - Sexual Health (college)



Pillars aspires to build healthier communities by making connections and changing lives.