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The Victim Services Subcommittee of the
Maryland Human Trafficking Task Force

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Maryland Human Trafficking Task Force

The Maryland Human Trafficking Task Force (MHTTF) is the state's primary anti-trafficking organization working to combat trafficking through prevention, protection of victims, prosecution of trafficking and partnerships.

About the Task Force:

- The task force was formed in 2007 by the U.S. Attorney's Office, the Attorney General of Maryland, and the State's Attorney for Baltimore City to serve as the lead investigative, prosecutorial, and victim services coordinating body for anti-human trafficking activity in Maryland.
- We are a multidisciplinary team of agencies and organizations committed to a victim-centered approach in the fight against human trafficking in Maryland. Our record of success in identifying and serving a range of labor and sex trafficking victims is irrespective of gender, nationality, sexual orientation, or age.
- Maryland is at the forefront of victim response using forward-looking efforts of investigators, prosecutors, concerned citizens, advocates, and legislators in anti-trafficking efforts to protect human dignity and public safety.
- The task force builds upon existing collaborations among victim service providers to increase the identification of victims and provide a more comprehensive, specialized, and coordinated response to victims' complex long-term needs.
- Multiple state agencies participate in the MHTTF as a force-multiplier in the fight to raise awareness at the local level to expose traffickers, and developing polices to respond to victims in a united front across state systems.
- MHTTF trains law enforcement and prosecutors to ensure that traffickers are held accountable for their heinous offenses.
- Through increasing public awareness, coordinating state policies/protocols, and implementing best practices for investigations, prosecution, victim identification, and victim service response, our message is clear:

In Maryland, victims will be recovered and traffickers will be held accountable for their crimes.

For more information on the Maryland Human Trafficking Task Force please visit:

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Anchored Hope Therapy, LLC provides mental health treatment to children, adolescents, and adults who have experienced complex trauma exposures like abuse, sexual exploitation, neglect, violence and family of origin conflict. At Anchored Hope Therapy, we utilize evidence-based and evidence supported treatment in the therapeutic process. We are among a small group in Maryland who are Nationally Certified Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral therapists. In addition, we are trained in a number of other evidence supported treatment approaches.

Resources Available:

1. Mental Health Evaluation and Treatment
2. Individual, Family and Group Therapy Options
3. Clinical Consultation for Law Enforcement and Other Service Providers outside the Anne Arundel County Area

AMARA LEGAL CENTER

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Amara's mission is to provide free legal services to individuals whose rights have been violated while involved in commercial sex, whether involvement was by coercion, necessity, choice, or otherwise, in the D.C. metropolitan area. To accomplish our mission, we focus on the following areas:

1. Community Education: equip community members and social and legal service providers with the knowledge to recognize and respond to potential sex trafficking cases.
2. Providing legal services: criminal defense, criminal record sealing, victim witness advocacy, divorce, custody and child support, civil protection orders, and name changes.
3. Advocacy: advocating for laws and policies in DC, Maryland, and Virginia that are informed by our clients' experiences and aimed at reducing harm.

ARAMINTA FREEDOM INITIATIVE

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Araminta's mission is to awaken, equip, and mobilize the Church and our community to end child sex trafficking in our region; to engage in prevention through education and to bring healing and restoration to survivors through healthy community.

To accomplish our mission, Araminta focuses on the following areas:

1. **Education and Prevention** – Araminta provides public awareness and preventive education in schools, churches, and community settings as well as for professional groups including but not limited to social workers, mental health professionals, law enforcement, court officers, medical staff, and educators. In addition, Araminta provides youth trainings to empower every participant to be able to protect themselves and the people they care about from this issue. Programs focus on identifying risk factors, signs and symptoms of trafficking, the impact of trauma and how to respond if trafficking is suspected.
2. **Restorative Services for Survivors of Child Sex Trafficking** –Araminta supports survivors and at-risk girls and those identifying as female between the ages of 12 – 25. We offer comprehensive care coordination, advocacy and tangible supports. Through long-term 1:1 mentorship relationships, we also offer the opportunity to develop healthy, safe community that supports survivors as they rebuild their lives.
3. **Church and Community Awareness and Volunteer Mobilization** – Araminta provides numerous opportunities for community members, as well as members of differing faiths, to engage in anti-trafficking efforts. To increase the safety net for youth in Maryland and to meet the needs of those trafficked as children, Araminta leverages a large volunteer network. After background checks and extensive training, volunteers are able to engage in a number of ways including direct survivor services, prevention and intervention education within the community, strengthening and expanding church relationships, prayer support, fundraising and administrative support, legislative support, and organizing and collecting tangible needs supplies for those we serve.

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Arrow Child & Family Ministries of Maryland provides residential, foster care and education services to youth ages 12-21 in the care of DHS and DJS who are victims of human trafficking. We provide short-term emergency placements and 90 diagnostic services for boys, girls and transgender youth in our Diagnostic Center and long-term placement through either our Transitional Living Program (girls and transgender youth) or Treatment Foster Care (boys, girls and transgender). Arrow utilizes Trust Based Relational Intervention (TBRI) an evidence informed, trauma treatment model.

AYUDA

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Ayuda is the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan area's leading provider of multilingual legal and social assistance for low-income immigrants in the areas of human trafficking, immigration, domestic violence, and family law. Ayuda's human trafficking program offers comprehensive case management and legal representation to any foreign-born persons trafficked for the purpose of forced labor or commercial sex who reside in Maryland, Washington, D.C., and Virginia. Ayuda assists trafficking survivors to secure basic needs, including housing, food, clothing, access to medical and mental health services, and connecting to community resources.

Resources Available From Organization/Agency for Victims

1. Legal and social services for human trafficking survivors in Maryland, Washington, D.C., and Virginia.
2. Immigration consultations (call for days/times/fees if any).
3. Community presentations and trainings for service providers and community members on human trafficking.

BALTIMORE CITY HUMAN TRAFFICKING COLLABORATIVE

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The Baltimore City Human Trafficking Collaborative is a diverse group of Stakeholders working in a collaborative effort to combat both Sex and Labor Trafficking in the City of Baltimore by:

- Raising awareness through education, law enforcement training, and media campaigns.
- Supporting State and Federal investigations and prosecutions of Traffickers
- Supporting human trafficking survivors by providing them access to quality services through a victim centered, trauma informed approach

BALTIMORE CHILD ABUSE CENTER

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Baltimore Child Abuse Center (BCAC) is a private non-profit 501(c)3 children's advocacy center and crisis response center. BCAC is the oldest children's advocacy center in Maryland, and a chartered, accredited member of the National Children's Alliance and the Maryland Children's Alliance. BCAC's mission is to provide victims of child sexual abuse, trauma and other Adverse Childhood Experiences in Baltimore and their non-offending caregivers with a multidisciplinary team response, forensic interviews, medical treatment, family advocacy, and mental health treatment with a goal of preventing future trauma. BCAC serves as part of an effective and collaborative effort to create a holistic trauma-informed, client-centered response to survivors of child trafficking. BCAC's Anti-Trafficking & Exploitation Program facilitates Baltimore City's Child Trafficking Multidisciplinary team response. We also provide community outreach and educational development, advocacy & services, program consultations, prevention services and policy formulation and education to other CAC's and Anti-trafficking organizations. BCAC is a nonprofit subsidiary of LifeBridge Health.

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Board of Child Care (BCC) is an independent, non-profit organization that provides youth and their families with education, mental health, and therapeutic residential services across the Mid-Atlantic. We have a specialized high-intensity group home in Maryland with for four females ages 14-20 in the care of DHS and DJS who are survivors of commercial sexual exploitation. We also serve female, male, and transgender youth ages 12-20 who are victims of trafficking across our continuum. Programming for victims of trafficking includes trauma-focused treatment, intensive case management, increased security features and staffing, peer and family support, and alternative therapies.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF BALTIMORE, ESPERANZA CENTER ANTI-TRAFFICKING PROGRAM

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The Esperanza Center, a program of Catholic Charities of Baltimore, provides comprehensive services to immigrants in Maryland. These services include English as a Second Language, computer literacy and citizenship classes, primary medical care and dental services to uninsurable patients, and information and referrals to external resources and service provider. In addition to providing general immigration legal services at discounted fees, our Immigration Legal Services program offers pro bono legal consultation and representation to unaccompanied children and survivors of serious crimes, including human trafficking and intimate partner violence. Our Anti-Trafficking Program provides intensive case management services to foreign national victims of sex and labor trafficking, including children and adults of all genders. Our trafficking case management services assist suspected victims referred to us, walk-in clients, as well as pre-certified and certified victims in need of assistance accessing public benefits. Our case manager works with law enforcement and other Esperanza programs to holistically meet the needs of our clients. We are also engaged in community outreach initiatives aimed at raising awareness of human trafficking and the resources offered at Esperanza in support of victims. Our office in Baltimore City serves all residents of the state of Maryland.

CENTER FOR CHILD AND FAMILY TRAUMATIC STRESS AT KENNEDY KRIEGER INSTITUTE, HOPE CLINIC

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The Center for Child and Family Traumatic Stress: Healing, Overcoming, Protecting, and Empowering (HOPE) Clinic provides treatment services for adolescents with trauma exposures which may include physical abuse, sexual abuse, community violence, sex trafficking, abandonment and/or neglect and are engaging in high risk behaviors primarily including; Substance Use, Non-Suicidal Self-Injury, and Elopement. *Resources Available From Organization/Agency for Victims:*

1. Mental health Evaluation.
2. Individual and Group Treatment Services.
3. Psychiatric Evaluations.
4. Psychological Evaluations.

CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION BOARD

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The Criminal Injuries Compensation Board (CICB) is an agency within the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services that provides financial assistance in the aftermath of criminal victimization. CICB has a victim services coordinator to assist victims with the process or with additional resources when appropriate. Compensation may be provided to any crime victim suffering physical or certain psychological injuries resulting from a criminal act perpetrated in the state of Maryland and reported to the authorities. Application must be made within three years from the date of the victimization. For qualifying claimants, compensation may be provided for medical or dental expenses, lost wages, loss of support, counseling, disability, or crime scene clean-up. Statutory monetary caps apply. Certain documentation may be required.

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The DPP victim services unit provides up to date information to victims who are registered to receive notices about an offender who is either in the community or incarcerated. All victims are required to register to receive notification through VINE or by contacting the victim services unit at 410-585-3340. We currently have four coordinators who service the State of Maryland to provide both written victim notifications and to answer phone calls regarding the offender.

EMPOWER HER NETWORK

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Our process is rooted in strong partnerships with service providers that provide emergency and immediate needs to survivors to ensure a level of stability. When survivors are ready and in need of assistance with **housing, education and/or employment**, they can be nominated to EHN. Our trauma-informed Advocates collaborate with nominees on a self-determined Empowerment Plan that spans 12 to 18 months and focuses on housing solutions, financing education, and establishing steady wage employment.

FAIR GIRLS

www.fairgirls.org

24-Hour Crisis Line and Referrals: 1-855-900-3247

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Agency & Program Description:

1. **Case Management & Crisis Response (DMV):** FAIR Girls provides crisis intervention, court advocacy, and comprehensive case management services to sex and labor trafficking survivors, who identify as a female, and are between the ages of 10 and 27. FAIR Girls' case management and advocacy services are aimed at providing trafficking survivors support to address immediate safety and basic needs, including but not limited to: providing clothing, food, safe, stable and confidential housing, intensive individualized case management, access to medical and mental health referrals, access to legal advocacy and translation/interpretation services if needed, as well as, longer-term case management support, counseling and workforce development skill building.
2. **Community Outreach, Training & Prevention Education (DMV):** *Tell Your Friends* (TYF) is a four module, interactive, multimedia prevention education curriculum taught in middle and high school classrooms, after-school programs, youth shelters, and group homes. By providing information regarding human trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation, risk factors, grooming techniques, and healthy relationships, in an age-appropriate and engaging manner, we empower youth to stay safe from exploitation and victimization and help their friends stay safe. The modules focus on topics such as the rights and responsibilities in intimate partner relationships, the nature of sexual victimization and exploitation, the media's glamorization of commercial sex, and the importance of using empowering language. The curriculum emphasizes the risk factors and causes behind CSEC, trafficking, and dating violence and provides youth with a locally-based resource guide that may be used to contact FAIR Girls and a variety low-barrier support services.
3. **Emergency & Transitional Housing (located in Washington, DC but serving survivors referred from across the country):** FAIR Girls provides emergency and transitional housing to survivors of human trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation of children. The FAIR Girls Vida home is a 90-day transitional housing program specialized for survivors of human trafficking and CSEC who identify as female, ages 18-26. The Vida Home is more than a shelter, it is a leadership transitional home for up to six young trafficking survivors at a time. It is a secure town home setting with six beds in a confidential location in D.C. For up to 90 days, Survivor Residents have a warm bed, meals, basic hygienic necessities, skills building, counseling, and transportation assistance to and from work, school, and the FAIR Girls' confidential drop-in center.

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The mission of the Office for Victim Assistance (OVA) is to ensure victims of crimes investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) are afforded the opportunity to receive services and notifications as required by the law, and which will improve their ability to cope with the impact of the crime. Your Victim Specialist can also refer you to other types of programs and services, such as emergency housing, counseling, medical assistance, support groups and credit counseling. At your request, the FBI can notify employer and/or creditor for you, if your victimization causes you to be absent from work or affects your ability to make timely payments to creditors. The Victim Specialist will serve as the point of contact between you and the FBI.

FOR ALL SEASONS, INC.

<http://forallseasonsinc.org/>

24-Hour Hotline 1800-310-7273

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For more than 30 years For All Seasons has been strengthening and enhancing the lives of children, adolescents, adults, seniors, couples and families on Maryland's Mid-Shore by providing a full continuum of bilingual (English-Spanish) outpatient behavioral health services, and rape crisis services, regardless of ability to pay. Our mission is to provide the highest level of comprehensive and integrated therapy, advocacy, education, and psychiatric care in a safe environment as our clients are empowered and nurtured on their journey to wellness.

Our mental health services include:

- Individual, Family, and Group Therapy
- Adult, Adolescent, and Child Psychiatry
- Marriage and Couples Counseling
- Grief Counseling
- Trauma Certified Therapists
- School-Based Mental Health Therapy - for county schools including Caroline, Kent, Talbot, and Dorchester
- Co-occurring Disorder Treatment - mental health and substance use
- Neurofeedback Therapy
- Discharge & Aftercare Planning
- Urgent Care Services - for acute mental health appointments (contact Eastern Shore Crisis Response Hotline: 1-888-407-8018)

Our Rape Crisis Center services include:

- 24-hour Advocacy Response - including response to local emergency departments and law enforcement agencies
- 24 hour English and Spanish Hotlines - for survivors of sexual assault, sexual abuse and trauma, and human trafficking. (English Hotline: 410-820-5600 or 1-800-310-7273, Para Espanol: 410-829-6143)
- Crisis Counseling and Support
- Case Management
- Education and Outreach Programming - including Human Trafficking 101 Training

Our Education services for schools and/or businesses include:

- Mental Health First Aid Training
- Trauma-Informed Classroom – provided to schools and boards of education
- ACEs (Adverse Childhood Experiences) Training
- Special Presentations - various mental health topics by request

FRESHWATERS – LIFE COACHING SERVICES

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Freshwaters is a unique organization offering individuals and families a fresh start and new beginnings. Life coaching is a different approach to maximizing growth and potential through direct communication, not therapy.

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION

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The Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention (GOCCP) serves as a coordinating office that advises the Governor on criminal justice strategies. The office plans, promotes, and funds efforts with government entities, private organizations, and the community to advance public policy, enhance public safety, and reduce crime and juvenile delinquency. This includes an emphasis on coordinated strategies between local, state, and federal law enforcement to disrupt and dismantle human trafficking organizations and connect victims and survivors of human trafficking to resources and the support needed to achieve safety, self-sufficiency, and awareness of their rights.

The statewide Director of Anti-Human Trafficking Policy, housed at GOCCP, coordinates law enforcement and victim response while monitoring and pursuing funding sources for anti-human trafficking efforts. The Victim Services Unit works to improve access to services for victims and includes the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board as well as the Sexual Assault Reimbursement Unit, which provides reimbursement for the physical examination, collection of evidence, and emergency treatment of individuals with injuries resulting from alleged rape, sexual assault, or child sexual abuse.

HEARTLY HOUSE

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Provides comprehensive services for survivors of intimate partner violence, sexual assault, human trafficking and child abuse in Frederick County. Services include: 24-hour crisis hotline, safety planning, emergency

shelter, counseling, legal services, medical accompaniment and community outreach/education. Co-chair of the collaborative Frederick County Human Trafficking Response Team to both prevent and respond to human trafficking.

HEALTHY TEEN NETWORK

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Healthy Teen Network promotes better outcomes for adolescents and young adults by advancing social change, cultivating innovation, and strengthening youth-supporting professionals and organizations. Since 1979, we have been building the capacity of youth-serving professionals and organizations to provide all adolescents and young adults, including young people who are pregnant or parenting, with the services, supports, and education necessary to lead healthy and fulfilling lives. Located in Baltimore, we serve as a leading national membership organization (501c3) for adolescent health professionals and organizations, promoting a holistic approach—our Youth 360° frame—to improve the health and well-being of young people because how and where we live, learn, and play matters.

HOMELAND SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS – VICTIM ASSISTANCE

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Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) investigates allegations of human trafficking of both foreign and United States born victims and works closely with other federal, state, and local law enforcement partners to further these investigations. HSI also maintains attaché offices in forty-seven countries which can be utilized to assist in the investigation of transnational criminal organizations involved in human trafficking. HSI recognizes that severe consequences of human trafficking continue even after the perpetrators have been arrested and held accountable. HSI's Victim Assistance Program helps coordinate services to help human trafficking victims, such as crisis intervention, counseling and emotional support both during and after the investigative process.

HOPEWORKS OF HOWARD COUNTY

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HopeWorks provides both direct crisis intervention services and long-term supportive healing programs for women, men, children and non-gender conforming persons impacted by sexual assault, intimate partner

violence, and human trafficking. These services include a 24-hour resource and helpline, trauma-informed counseling, case management, advocacy, and emergency and transitional housing. For individuals and agencies located or impacted by intimate partner and/or sexual violence in Howard County we also offer legal services, community educational programming, and hospital accompaniment. All services are trauma-informed, survivor-centered, confidential, and free of charge.

Resources from Agency for Survivors Include:

1. 24/7 helpline
2. Emergency and transitional housing
1. Trauma-informed Counseling (child/adult and bilingual therapists available)
2. Case Management

HOMELESS PERSONS REPRESENTATION PROJECT, INC.

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HPRP is a legal services and advocacy organization dedicated to eliminating homelessness. HPRP provides information, advice, and legal representation in the areas of subsidized housing, public benefits (e.g., Temporary Cash Assistance, food stamps, Temporary Disability Assistance Program, SSI), criminal record expungement, and veterans benefits. HPRP's Homeless Youth Initiative provides targeted legal services for youth aged 24 and younger who are unaccompanied by a parent or guardian. All clients are required to go through an intake process to determine if they are eligible for services.

HOWARD COUNTY OFFICE OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION

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The Office of Human Trafficking Prevention's mission is to prevent sex and labor trafficking in Howard County, Maryland and beyond. Its mandate is fulfilled in part through the work of the Human Trafficking Prevention Coordinating Council (HTPCC), an appointed and voluntary body which meets on a monthly basis. Meetings are open to the public and are posted on our website. Jacqueline R. Scott, J.D., M.L., Director, Department of Community Resources and Services, is Chair. Andrea Nunez, Esq. Manager, OHTP, facilitates meetings.

INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE

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The International Rescue Committee (IRC) is an international non-profit organization working in 42 countries

offering help and hope to refugees and others uprooted by conflict and oppression. IRC also helps resettle refugees admitted into the United States through its Maryland offices in Baltimore and Silver Spring. IRC also assists foreign national victims of trafficking, asylees, Cuban and Haitian parolees, and special visa immigrant holders achieve self-sufficiency.

Resources Available From Organization/Agency for Victims

1. IRC's services to foreign national victims of trafficking include Comprehensive case management, employment services, referrals for legal services, health screenings and public benefits (for those eligible). We also provided assistance to meet basic needs such as food, housing and transportation.
2. IRC also works in partnership with Baltimore City Community College and Montgomery College to provide job training courses and English classes.

KIDS IN NEED OF DEFENSE (KIND) – BALTIMORE

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KIND's mission is to ensure legal representation for unaccompanied minors in immigration proceedings. KIND provides direct representation of these children, as well as placement with pro bono attorneys. KIND focuses on immigration humanitarian remedies, including Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS), asylum, T Visa (trafficking) and U Visa (crime victims).

MARYLAND CHILDREN'S ALLIANCE

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Maryland Children's Alliance, Inc. (MCA), is an independent, nonprofit 501(c)(3) founded in 2003 to ensure that every child who needs the services and support of a children's advocacy center, has a qualified CAC on which to rely. MCA provides quality services across the MCA Children's Advocacy Center (CAC) network through projects, programs, trainings and financial support. MCA has 23-member center serving the State of Maryland- 16 are accredited and 7 on the pathway toward accreditation. The child advocacy center network across Maryland serves approximately 6,000 children a year. In 2019, MCA completed an adaption of *The National Standards for Accredited Members Adapted for Victims of Child Trafficking* and is holding trainings across Maryland to build CACs' capacity and confidence working with victims of child sex trafficking.

MARYLAND COALITION AGAINST SEXUAL ASSAULT

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The Maryland Coalition Against Sexual Assault's (MCASA) mission is to help prevent sexual assault, advocate for accessible, compassionate care for survivors of sexual violence, and work to hold offenders accountable. MCASA works on the following areas that connect with anti-trafficking efforts in Maryland: public policy, education, community outreach, technical assistance, and legal services (see Sexual Assault Legal Institute).

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE

Suicide and Violence Prevention Behavioral Health Administration

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Behavioral Health Administration (BHA) serves as a liaison for victims of human trafficking to receive services from the Core Service Agencies across the state. BHA personnel are also available to provide specific mental health, substance related-disorder, and trauma-focused trainings and presentations to adults who serve young victims of human trafficking.

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

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The Maryland Department of Human Services receives all reports of child sex trafficking and has partnered in a five year grant with the University of Maryland to address human trafficking in Maryland. All Child Welfare staff will be trained in identifying and appropriately responding to sex trafficked victims as part of their mandatory core training. Screening of all youth both in out-of-home placement as well as those receiving in-home services will be screened through the use of the CANS and CANS-F to identify youth who may be at risk of trafficking. Youth identified as at risk will receive further screening as well as appropriate prevention services. DHS currently has identified two providers (Arrow Project and Children's Home) who are able to provide diagnostic placement services for youth who are referred as trafficking victims.

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES

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The Maryland Department of Juvenile Services (DJS) has partnered with TurnAround, Inc. to implement a screening tool to flag youth who are at high-risk for sex trafficking or currently being exploited. Youth identified as survivors of sex trafficking, whether in the community or in a residential setting, are connected to specialized services provided by community-based anti-trafficking organizations or trauma informed care services. Additionally, an individualized and ongoing service plan is established for youth including case management, shelter, groups, safety planning, advocacy, and therapy.

MARYLAND LEGAL AID

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Maryland Legal Aid

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Maryland Legal Aid is a statewide, non-profit law firm that provides free civil legal services to low-income residents of Maryland from 13 offices, serving every county in the state and Baltimore City. Maryland Legal Aid primarily provides information, advice, and representation in the areas of family, consumer, housing, and government benefits law (e.g. social security, medical assistance, food stamps, unemployment, and disability), as well as employment and education law. Maryland Legal Aid also represents children in the foster care system in 12 jurisdictions throughout the state and maintains a migrant farmworker project which represents workers in Maryland and Delaware, an elder law project, foreclosure prevention project, and legal hotline. Due to current federal funding restrictions, Maryland Legal Aid cannot represent undocumented individuals unless they are victims of domestic violence or human trafficking. All clients are required to go through an intake process to determine if they are eligible for services.

MARYLAND SURVIVOR NETWORK (MDSN)

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Nicole Lee, *Co-Chair*

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Purpose:

MDSN is committed to:

- Personal and professional development for survivors of human trafficking.
- Serving the anti-trafficking movement with authenticity and transparency.
- Cultivating a holistic physical and digital space dedicated to self-care, group care and field care.

Membership:

Requirements:

- Reside in Maryland and/or surrounding states
- Meet the federal definition of a survivor of human trafficking
- Been out “the life” for at least 2 years
- At least 18 years old
- Not receiving immediate services
- Complete membership application

MARYLAND NETWORK AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

www.mnadv.org

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Training and technical assistance on trauma-informed services, overlap of dating and trafficking, confidentiality, housing, referrals to domestic violence/sexual assault programs, and organizational readiness. MNADV also provides free workshops and conferences. For upcoming trainings, events, activities, and initiatives, visit mnadv.org

MARYLAND VOLUNTEER LAWYERS SERVICE

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The Human Trafficking Prevention Project (HTPP) at Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service (MVLS) connects survivors of trafficking and other clients vulnerable to future exploitation with MVLS volunteer attorneys who provide free legal assistance with criminal records (via expungement, shielding, and vacatur), as well as family law matters, consumer debt, landlord/tenant disputes, name and gender marker change, tax controversy, and other civil legal issues. The HTPP Manager also holds regular legal consultations, criminal record screening, and intake hours at seven community partner organizations throughout Baltimore City and County. MVLS provides training for volunteer attorneys and firms that provide pro bono legal services to HTPP clients, and training and technical assistance to service providers on the availability of post-conviction relief within the state of Maryland, as well as on working with survivors of trauma and other marginalized populations. The HTPP program is a partnership between MVLS and the University of Baltimore School of Law, with funding from the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention.

MAYOR'S OFFICE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE, BALTIMORE

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The Mayor's Office on Criminal Justice (MOCJ) was established to provide the citizens of Baltimore City a safer, healthier and stronger community. Efforts to reduce crime, decrease gang activity and diminish the drug trade will work only if they are coordinated throughout city government and in collaboration not only with the state and federal levels, but with our faith & community-based partners to address the roots of crime. MOCJ facilitates and coordinates interagency criminal justice-related programs for Baltimore City.

MERCY MEDICAL CENTER FORENSIC NURSE EXAMINER TEAM

Baltimore, MD

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The Forensic Nurse Examiners (FNE) Program located in the Mercy Medical Center Emergency Department is a designated treatment center for sexual assault, domestic violence and sexual exploitation in Baltimore City. The staff of 30 specially trained Forensic Nurse Examiners is available 24/7 to care for victims of sexual assault (aged 13 and older), victims of domestic violence, elder/institutional, sexual exploitation and vulnerable populations: abuse, neglect, and maltreatment. The Forensic Nurse Examiner Program works collaboratively with health, legal, social service, and criminal justice agencies addressing the needs of victims of violence. All patients may access forensic nursing services regardless of an individual's residency status and/or decision to report his or her case to authorities.

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NATIONAL CENTER FOR MISSING & EXPLOITED CHILDREN

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Established in 1984, the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children® (NCMEC) is the leading nonprofit organization in the U.S. working with law enforcement, families, and the professionals who serve them on issues related to missing and sexually exploited children. As part of its Congressional authorization, NCMEC has created a unique public and private partnership to build a coordinated, national response to the problem of missing and sexually exploited children, establish a missing children hotline and serve as the national clearinghouse for information related to these issues.

NCMEC plays a vital role in the Innocence Lost National Initiative by being a clearinghouse for information obtained from the public and Electronic Service Providers about children being exploited through sex trafficking; providing analytical and technical assistance services to law enforcement investigating these cases; and dedicating case management support for missing children victimized through sex trafficking. NCMEC operates the CyberTipline, which receives leads and tips regarding suspected crimes of sexual exploitation committed against children. This includes exploitation of a child by traffickers, children being sold for sex online, and other forms of child sexual exploitation.

NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING RESOURCE CENTER – POLARIS

NHTRC 24-Hour Hotline: 1.888.3737.888
NHTRC SMS Text Line: 233733 (BEFREE)
nhtrc@polarisproject.org
www.traffickingresourcecenter.org

The National Human Trafficking Resource Center (NHTRC) works to improve the national response to protect victims of human trafficking in the United States. NHTRC is a national, toll-free hotline, available to answer calls, texts, and emails, from anywhere in the country, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, every day of the year. The NHTRC takes reports of potential cases of human trafficking, connects callers with anti-trafficking resources in their area, and provides training, technical assistance, general information or specific anti-trafficking resources. Contact the NHTRC to report a tip; to connect with anti-trafficking resources in your area; or to request training and technical assistance, general information or specific anti-trafficking resources. The NHTRC is operated by Polaris Project and funded by the Department of Health and Human Services and other supporters.

PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

<http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/1629/Social-Services>

Customers can access these services Monday-Friday, 9 am – 5 pm at a Family Investment Office. For referrals, please call 301-909-7000.

Child Abuse Screening Unit: To report suspected Child Abuse, Neglect or Trafficking of a Minor (persons under age 18), please call the Abuse/Neglect Hotline at 301-909-2450.

Mission: The Prince George’s County Department of Social Services is in the business of providing opportunities for residents of the County to become independent, responsible and stable members of the community. We do this by providing intervention services that strengthen families, protect children and vulnerable adults, encourage self-sufficiency and promote personal responsibility.

Population: Vulnerable Children, Adults, and Families in Prince George’s County in need of services.

Support Services:

Supportive Services through the Community Services Division includes: Emergency Food Assistance, Eviction Prevention and Rental Assistance, Homeless Services, Emergency Assistance.

Supportive Services through the Family Investment Division includes: Temporary Cash Assistance, Food Supplement Program and Medical Assistance.

Hyattsville
6505 Belcrest Road
Hyattsville, MD 20782

Landover
425 Brightseat Road
Landover, MD 20785

Temple Hills
4235 28th Avenue
Temple Hills, MD 20748

Langley Park Multi Service Ctr.
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Langley Park MD 20783

PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY HUMAN TRAFFICKING TASK FORCE

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The Prince George’s County Human Trafficking Task Force coordinates the County’s efforts to combat and eradicate human sex and labor trafficking through a partnership by and amongst county, state and federal agencies and non-profit service providers directed at offering services to victims and survivors, training to first responders, sponsoring public awareness and education events, conducting research and data collection, supporting law enforcement anti-trafficking activities and advocating, where appropriate, for legislative changes. Anyone in need of non-emergency assistance relating to sex and labor trafficking can call 311 inside Prince George’s County.

SAFE AT HOME ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY PROGRAM

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The Maryland Safe at Home Address Confidentiality Program provides victims of domestic violence, human trafficking, sexual assault and stalking with a legal substitute address to use in place of their actual address in order to keep their location off public record and out of the hands of abusers or traffickers. It was designed to be one part of a safety plan for survivors who have recently moved or intend to move to a place unknown to their abuser, including shelters. Once enrolled in the Address Confidentiality Program, survivors may register to vote, obtain a Maryland driver’s license, enroll in public school, participate in court proceedings, pay taxes, purchase property and access social services without

revealing their actual address. The Address Confidentiality Program is legislatively mandated, administered by the office of the Secretary of State, and serves all Maryland residents regardless of immigration status or whether or not the trafficking or abuse has been reported to law enforcement.

SAFE CENTER (SUPPORT, ADVOCACY FREEDOM, AND EMPOWERMENT) FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING SURVIVORS—UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND

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The University of Maryland SAFE Center is a comprehensive direct services, research, and advocacy center on human trafficking. The SAFE Center serves both survivors of sex and labor trafficking regardless of nationality, age, or gender. Onsite and through University partners, the SAFE Center provides bilingual (Spanish/English) case management, mental health, legal, crisis intervention, primary medical, and economic empowerment services

SAFE HOUSE OF HOPE

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We are a volunteer-run and -led 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that welcomes people from all backgrounds and spiritual traditions. We provide education, training, and support to help victims of human trafficking become an active part of a healthy community. We conduct outreach over the internet and on the streets. We are meeting with clients by appointment and the talk-line is 443 312 6729.

SALVATION ARMY OF CENTRAL MARYLAND – CATHERINE’S COTTAGE

<https://salvationarmycm.org/catherines-cottage/>

Beth Luthye, Director of Anti-Human Trafficking Programs

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Hotline: 410-900-2362

Catherine’s Cottage is an emergency and transitional housing program for victims of human trafficking (both sex trafficking and labor trafficking). We provide services to adult women (18+), with no upper age limit. We house individuals who may have difficulty finding housing through other programs, including pregnant women, mothers with young children (infants and toddlers), transgender individuals who identify as female, and foreign nationals. Wrap-around services include provision for basic needs, intensive on-site case management, life skills, and recreational activities; we work with partner agencies to offer referrals for health care, trauma-informed counseling, legal services, and other specialized services. The goal of the program is to

assist survivors in identifying and moving toward next-step programs or independent housing options, as well as supporting survivors in prioritizing and working toward their own goals.

SEXUAL ASSAULT LEGAL INSTITUTE

www.mcasa.org (click on Know Your Rights & Get Legal Help” under “Survivors Seeking Help”)
301.565.2277 / 877.496.SALI (toll free)

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The Sexual Assault Legal Institute (SALI) provides direct legal services for survivors of sexual assault and abuse, and legal training and technical assistance for rape crisis centers and other professionals working with survivors. SALI is a statewide program and serves both children and adults. It is part of the Maryland Coalition Against Sexual Assault (MCASA). Resources available include:

1. Legal services for survivors for any legal issue related to the sexual assault/abuse, including peace orders/protective orders, immigration (including U and T visas), employment, education, civil rights, family law, crime victim rights, victim compensation and other matters.
2. Training and technical assistance for programs working with survivors, including presentations on civil legal needs of sexual assault survivors, sexual crimes and victim rights in the criminal justice system and legal issues for sexual crimes victims who are under 18.
3. Input into MCASA’s public policy advocacy, including advocating before the Maryland General Assembly.

SHARED HOPE INTERNATIONAL

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Training

Shared Hope International’s sex trafficking training, designed to increase identification of those vulnerable to and exploited by trafficking, improves the response of child-serving professionals. Our blended training approach brings together the best methods of in-person and virtual education, offering six unique avenues to equip professionals and advocates in the field.

Awareness

We strive to inspire a nation of informed activists to combat societal norms, misconceptions, and ignorance through the following trafficking awareness initiatives:

- **Ambassadors of Hope:** Everyday advocates looking for a way to impact their communities and the movement to end sex trafficking. The vision statement for the program is, ” The more people who know, the smaller the world becomes for those who buy and sell our children.” Ambassadors of Hope serve as volunteers for Shared Hope so we can expand our impact around the nation.
- **CHOSEN:** This film series is designed to teach teens the warning signs and indicators of trafficking through the true stories of teenage girls who were tricked by traffickers. Brianna, Lacy and Maria discuss how modern American pimps and gangs are luring youth into the commercial sex industry and

how teens can protect themselves and others from being chosen. The resource packages include additional educational tools to further discussion, learning and action! Available in Spanish.

TAHIRIH JUSTICE CENTER

410.999.1900 Baltimore (those in need of legal representation and services should call on Tuesday between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.)

<https://www.tahirih.org/locations/baltimore/>

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The Tahirih Justice Center works to protect immigrant women and girls from gender-based violence through legal services, advocacy, and public education programs. With an office located in Baltimore City, they provide free immigration legal services to women and girls who are foreign-born survivors of sex and labor trafficking and who reside throughout the state of Maryland.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME – CATONSVILLE, MD

(410) 744-7310 Office

(443) 414-0008 (On call Administrator)

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Diagnostic Center – 16 Beds

Serves females 13-19 yrs of age

Boys High Intensity Program – 10 Beds

Serves ages 13 -17 DJS and DYRS only

Group Home – 32 Beds

Serves co-ed, and LGBTQ youth ages 13 -20.6

All Programs have access to HT services*

The Diagnostic Center is a residential program providing crisis intervention treatment for adolescent girls classified with acute social and mental disorders, suffering from long-term abuse, neglect and/or abandonment. Out-of-home placement affecting this population commands specialized services and therapeutic psychiatric care. The goal of the Diagnostic Center program is to assess, stabilize symptoms, and recommend the next level of care upon discharge.

The Diagnostic Center provides statewide emergency placement and crisis intervention services to adolescent girls ages 13-19, with the median age 14-16. Typically teen girls admitted are influenced by the effects of long-term abuse, abandonment, and/or neglect affecting their ability to function emotionally, cognitively, and

socially. Initial assessments indicate common behaviors ranging from depression, high anxiety, self-destruction, oppositional behavior, inappropriate sexual behaviors, suicidal thoughts, and decrease interest in academic achievement.

The Diagnostic Center is a staff and perimeter secured facility, Clinical Staff service our Human Trafficking Victims to help them bring their journey from victim to survivor. The focus of the treatment is on a developmental process to help work towards his/her full potential. These strategies include: trauma informed care (**CARE model** evidence based) and therapy, rebuilding self-esteem, image, and worth, substance abuse treatment, strength based, domestic violence, specific work around coercion and control, self-care and safety planning, healthy relationships, vocational and life skills training, and social justice where indicated. These aforementioned strategies are achieved through: weekly 1 hour sessions of psychotherapy, weekly trauma therapy 1-2 hour sessions (trauma timelines explored from birth to present age) where indicated, weekly spiritual groups with Liberty Church Partnership, weekly AA groups, weekly art therapy and daily therapeutic art activities, Specific Human Sex Trafficking literature to help with processing (e.g.: Anger Management work book activities, Dialectical Behavior Therapy strategies and exercises for suicidal adolescents (DBT), Cognitive Behavior Therapy.

A Psychiatric and Psychological Evaluation are also completed to determine the level of care and services needed to help the resident to stabilize behaviors plus address mental health issues.

Daily school attendance is required and included as an indicator in the behavior modification system. On staff at the Diagnostic Center is a certified teacher. The education program is recognized by the State of Maryland as an approved Type III School with classwork in science, math, history, and English – taught on the level of the individual.

Recommendations for the future placement of Diagnostic Center residents are made after careful review of records and reports from the various professional staff that comprises the treatment team of the individual.

TURNAROUND, INC. – ANTI-TRAFFICKING PROGRAM

410.837.7000 (City office)

24/7 Help Line: 443.279.0379

www.turnaroundinc.org

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TurnAround Inc. offers the following services and assistance:

- Crisis Intervention (including shelter assistance)
- Basic Needs and Resources
- Case Management
- Referrals for legal, medical and substance abuse
- Employment & Educational Assistance
- Individual and Group Counseling
- Survivor Support Group
- Outreach Services
- And a Drop-in Center which is a safe haven and judgment free zone where survivors can come to get support from others who have been through similar situations.

UNIVERSITY OF BALTIMORE SCHOOL OF LAW - HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION PROJECT

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The Human Trafficking Prevention Project is a clinical program within the Civil Advocacy Clinic at the University of Baltimore School of Law. The HTPP focuses on reducing the collateral consequences of criminal justice involvement for survivors of human trafficking and those populations made most vulnerable to exploitation. Student attorneys will represent survivors of sex trafficking seeking to vacate their prostitution convictions under Maryland's 2011 "vacating convictions" law, as well as provide representation to any client with a history of involvement in the commercial sex industry in federal and state pardon, expungement and shielding cases. Services are free of charge and provided regardless of age, race, ethnicity, biological/assigned sex, immigration status, sexual orientation, or gender identity. HTPP offers the following services:

1. Legal services for individuals with histories of involvement in the commercial sex industry in vacating, pardoning, expunging, or shielding prostitution and other related charges on their criminal records.
2. Training and technical assistance on the availability of post-conviction relief within the state of Maryland, as well as on working with survivors of trauma.
3. Input on state or federal legislation that impacts survivors of trafficking and those at greatest risk, with a focus on human rights and harm reduction principles.

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK: CHILD SEX TRAFFICKING VICTIMS INITIATIVE & MARYLAND HUMAN TRAFFICKING INITIATIVE

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The University of Maryland, School of Social Work (UMSSW)'s Child Sex Trafficking Victims Initiative (CSTVI) and Maryland Human Trafficking Initiative (MHTI) work to improve the response to child and youth sex and labor trafficking state-wide through training, advocacy, services, and technical assistance. These programs build infrastructure capacity among state and local child welfare agencies and victim services providers to ensure that trafficked youth and children at risk of exploitation have access to an array of comprehensive, high-quality services. UMSSW serves as the lead agency responsible for project management and evaluation. The work of CSTVI and MHTI seek to:

3. Improve **victim identification** through implementation of a statewide screening tool to identify trafficked youth and children at high risk of exploitation;
4. Enhance **victim response** through training and equipping child welfare, juvenile justice, legal, medical and law enforcement professionals with the knowledge and skills needed to effectively assist survivors; and

5. Ensure every victim receives **comprehensive, trauma-informed care** by building capacity among service providers and targeting existing gaps in resources.

CSTVI and MHTI also serve as the only reliable source of data on child sex trafficking, using findings to drive research-based policy making and advocacy. For professionals and agencies working with children and young adults, CSTVI offers training and technical assistance on identification and response to sex and labor trafficking, as well as individual case consultation and specialized referrals. For more information or to request training or technical assistance, please contact the UMSSW staff listed above. Find free resources, trainings, and eLearning opportunities on our website at <http://www.family.umaryland.edu/research-pari>

THE WOMEN’S LAW CENTER OF MARYLAND, INC.

www.wlcmd.org

The Women’s Law Center was established in 1971 to promote justice and fairness for women. It advocates for the protection and expansion of women’s legal rights through legal assistance to individuals and strategic initiatives to achieve systemic change.

Resources Available From Organization/Agency for Victims:

1. The Multi-Ethnic Domestic Violence Project (MEDOVI) provides free immigration legal service to Maryland residents who are foreign-born victims of domestic violence, human sex trafficking and/or sexual assault. Contact: Suzanne Bailey, Esquire / Project Director at either 410-396.3294 or via email at sbailey@wlcmd.org or admin@wlcmd.org.
2. The Protective Order Advocacy and Representation Project (POARP) assist victims in Baltimore City, Baltimore County, and Carroll County to obtain civil orders of protection against their abuser. Phone is 410-783-0377
3. The Family Law Hotline provides basic information about Maryland family law to help callers understand their rights and legal options. The hotline is staffed by an attorney Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Phone is 800-845-8550.
4. CLAS – Collateral Legal Assistance for Survivors Project - Phone: 410-321-1040 Represents existing clients and new clients who are victims of domestic violence in collateral legal issues, including custody, divorce, landlord/tenant matters, and more.

YWCA OF ANNAPOLIS AND ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

www.annapolisywca.org

410-626-7800 (office)

410-222-6800 (24 hr. hotline)

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Since 1918, The YWCA of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County has been impacting the lives and experiences of women and children in our community through an ever-evolving array of services. Whether it is social, educational, emotional or recreational, the YWCA provides programming that best meets the many facets that make a woman whole.

The YWCA is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all. The YWCA of Annapolis & Anne Arundel County envisions a community where every woman and girl is respected as an individual and celebrated for her unique contributions to family and society. We see a time where every woman and girl is secure, fully independent and healthy in body, mind and spirit.

Services and programs offered through The YWCA of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County for those affected by domestic violence and sexual assault:

- Domestic violence safe house shelter
- 24-hr domestic violence and sexual assault crisis hotlines
- Hospital accompaniment
- Abuse intervention for perpetrators of intimate partner violence (Spanish-speaking and male teen groups also available)
- Case management, advocacy and referral
- Counseling for adults, children, and families; including art and play therapy
- Support groups for victims
- Legal representation in peace & protective orders



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