

# Confidential Support Services

## Providing Academic Resources

Advocates can help you identify options for navigating your classes, provide letters of support to your professors, connect you to other academic resources, and help with class or university withdrawal options.

## Discussing Medical and Mental Health Care

Advocates can help with referrals to:

- Medical care, such as a medical forensic exam (known as a SANE exam)
- STI testing and pregnancy-related resources
- Counseling services, both on and off campus
- Resources that may help you cover the cost of medical care

Advocates can meet you at the hospital or at the counseling center on campus.

The SAFE Center has embedded counselors who are trained in the complexities of interpersonal violence; advocates provide referrals to counselors at CSU and in the community.

## Finding Resources

Advocates can help find resources related to:

- On and off-campus housing
- Food
- Transportation
- Legal support
- Community building and support

## Orders of Protection

Advocates can support survivors through the process of filing necessary paperwork for protection orders, going along to court hearings, and making connections to legal resources.

# How to Connect with an Advocate

## In Person

112 Student Services Building Monday-Friday from 8am-5pm or other locations by request.

Drop in or schedule an appointment by calling 970-492-4242.

## Virtually

Schedule a time to meet with our advocates via our confidential video platform. Email [safecenter@colostate.edu](mailto:safecenter@colostate.edu) or call us to set up a time.

## By Phone

Call our 24/7 Victim Assistance Team to talk to an advocate at 970-492-4242.

## Text & Web Chat

Available Monday-Friday 8am - 5pm MT by texting the VAT Hotline at (970) 492-4242 or via our website at [www.safecenter.colostate.edu](http://www.safecenter.colostate.edu)



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# What We Do

The SAFE Center is one of the seven cultural and resource centers in the Office of Inclusive Excellence that provide services for historically marginalized and underrepresented students. The SAFE Center has two main functions:

1. *Providing the campus community with crisis and advocacy services, including access to resources, support groups, trauma-informed counseling, and a 24/7/365 crisis hotline. Advocacy services are free and are located in 112 Student Services Building.*
2. *Facilitating consent-based educational programming, events, training and content on a range of topics from gendered violence and healthy relationships to sex positivity and body image. Educational Programming and a community hang-out space is located in room 234 of the Lory Student Center.*

# Who We Serve

SAFE Center Victim Advocates provide support to survivors of interpersonal violence. We serve all students who identify as primary or secondary survivors at Colorado State University, both undergraduate and graduate students, of all genders and sexualities across race, nationality, disability, class background, documentation status, veteran status, and age. Our services also extend to CSU online students.

# Who We Are

Our Victim Advocates are full-time professional staff members dedicated to working with students who have experienced trauma by providing free and CONFIDENTIAL crisis intervention, emotional support, assistance in navigating complicated processes, and facilitating connections to mental health resources, academic support, and more.

# WHAT IS Advocacy?

Advocacy is a service in which confidential, trained, trauma-informed professionals provide information on options and resources, help with decision making processes, and explain and support survivors through complex systems.

**Fundamentally, advocates bear witness to relationship and sexual violence, connect to resources, and believe survivors.**

Confidential advocacy services are available to CSU students who are primary or secondary survivors of interpersonal violence, including:

- Sexual harassment
- Sexual assault
- Relationship violence
- Stalking
- Adult survivors of childhood sexual abuse



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## Victim Assistance Team Hotline

The 24-hour Victim Assistance Team (VAT) is a confidential service assisting survivors of interpersonal violence, as well as their loved ones, 24/7/365. Call 970-492-4242 to speak with an advocate.

## Safety Planning

Advocates can help survivors develop safety plans that are specific to them and their situations. Advocates support with academic, physical, emotional, financial and technological safety planning.

## Reporting to Law Enforcement

Advocates empower survivors in navigating decision-making in reporting to law enforcement. This can include talking through reporting options, determining which police department to report to, supporting with court appearances, setting up a time to begin the reporting process, and answering questions about the process.

## Reporting to the University

When it comes to reporting to the University, Advocates can support in a variety of ways: determining which university office a survivor would like to report to, supporting survivors when making a report, providing information on participation options in the process, or setting up a meeting to make the initial report. Advocates can provide accompaniment and support throughout university processes and help explain those processes, such as Title IX and Student Conduct. Advocates can also help survivors understand responsible employee reporting.