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**24-HOUR HELP LINE:
734-722-6800**

**WWW.FIRSTSTEP-MI.ORG
FACEBOOK.COM/FIRSTSTEPMI**

**FIRST STEP OFFERS FREE SERVICES
FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND
SEXUAL ASSAULT.**

FIRST STEP SERVICES

- 24-hour help line
- 24-hour on-call assault response team
- Temporary emergency housing
- Safety planning
- Support groups
- Counseling
- Legal, financial, medical and housing information
- Transitional supportive housing
- Community organizing
- Education awareness and risk reduction programs
- In-service trainings on domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking
- Children's counseling & support groups

*Interpretation services available for non-English speaking survivors

FIRST STEP SITES

PLYMOUTH (Main Office)
44567 Pinetree Drive
Plymouth, MI 48170
Phone 734.416.1111
Fax 734.416.5555

LINCOLN PARK
1394 Cleophus
Lincoln Park, MI
Phone 313.381.1800

WAYNE
Karen Wilson Smithbauer Center
4400 S.Venoy Wayne, MI 48184
Phone 734.722.1772
Fax 734.722.4311

Hearing impaired survivors can connect with First Step's helpline by utilizing Michigan Relay (800-682-8706 voice) or (800-682-8786 TTY) to call First Step's helpline

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT STATISTICS

Females who are 18-24 years of age are at the greatest risk of nonfatal intimate partner violence.

1 in 3 women will experience domestic violence in her lifetime.

85% of domestic violence victims are women.

The cost of intimate partner violence exceeds \$8.3 billion each year, \$4.1 billion of which is for direct medical and mental health services.

An estimated 1.3 million women are victims of physical assault by an intimate partner each year

Nearly 1 in 2 women and 1 in 5 men experienced sexual violence victimization other than rape at some point in their lives.

Above statistics from NCADV Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Fact Sheets at NCADV.org

HOW YOU CAN CREATE A VIOLENCE-FREE COMMUNITY

- Volunteer with First Step.
- Donate money or gift cards (from grocery stores and gas stations).
- Donate items from First Step's wish list. See list at www.firststep-mi.org.
- Collect and donate used cell phones or small-sized printer cartridges.
- Talk to community leaders about the importance of providing legislation, local policies, and resources to respond to violence.
- Apply expectations for nonviolent and respectful behavior to your family and organizations.
- Support and refer survivors; tell them that you fear for their safety.
- Host a fundraiser for First Step.
- Add First Step to your will or life insurance policy.



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Peaceful Families • Safe Communities

COMMUNITY RESPONSE SITES

Canton Police Department
Dearborn Police Department
Inkster Police Department
Lincoln Park Police Department
Taylor Police Department
Westland Police Department
33rd District Court
34th District Court
36th District Court

FIRST STEP STATISTICS

First Step provided safety planning and emotional support on 9,190 crisis calls.

8,407 hours of counseling and advocacy for adults and children

Survivors of violence and their children received 14,745 overnight stays.

1,927 survivors were supported in police departments/courts by our advocates.

First Step provided in-person crisis intervention to 93 individuals at local hospital emergency rooms and other safe places.

134 survivors were helped to obtain protection orders.

Above statistics reported from First Step's fiscal year – October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017