

COVID-19 Domestic Violence Resources

Page One – Resources for Oregonians

Director's Office Message:

In these trying times, there are a lot of changes happening including a large effort to support each other while we support Oregonians. This work is greatly appreciated and needed in our communities. We would like to take a moment to share an important consideration and highlight some resources.

Families are staying at home more, children are out of school, financial and health stressors are impacting families, and social distancing measures cause further isolation. All of these factors can contribute to increased risk of domestic violence. The Department of Human Services is working to share resources, make services more available and stay connected with our statewide partners.

This document outlines important domestic violence resources. We ask that staff are vigilant in looking for additional stressors facing families you are working with. Please be mindful of safety in phone conversations and in written communications. See the section below for a collection of resources to share with survivors and aid in your daily work.

DHS also has Co-Located Domestic Violence Advocates in Child Welfare and Self-Sufficiency. These advocacy agencies are community based, available to all survivors, and are completely confidential. Please reach out to your local domestic violence sexual assault agencies for their best practices and to find out how they are offering services safely to survivors.

Resources for Survivors

Connection to Advocates

- [National Domestic Violence Hotline](#)
 - Phone Call: 1-800-799-7233
 - Online Chat: [HERE](#)
 - Text: Text LOVEIS to 22522
- [Oregon Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence](#) (OCADSV)
 - Click [HERE](#) for an interactive, statewide service map. Find services by location, language needed, or service type (example: Shelter, advocacy).
- [Oregon Attorney General's Sexual Assault Task Force](#)
 - [Help for Survivors](#)

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COVID-19 Specific Resources

- [OCADSV COVID-19 Update Page](#) – Great list of resources and changes in services for survivors
- National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV) Digital Services and Public Health Emergencies
 - Document embedded below.
- NNEDV Working Remotely and Public Health Crisis
 - Document embedded below.

Safety practices for using mobile and technology with survivors

- NNEDV Mobile Advocacy Resource Page
 - [Best practices for Mobile Advocacy](#)
- OCADSV Technology Resource Page
 - Technology, internet and computer safety for survivors

Child Related resources

- Safe & Together Institute Blog: How to keep children Safe & Together in a time of crisis
 - Embedded below.
- Free worksheets for children for continued learning [here](#)

Benefit Services

- Temporary Assistance for Domestic Violence Survivors (TA-DVS)
 - TA-DVS Provides temporary financial assistance and support services to families with children affected by domestic violence when other resources are not available. TA- DVS is used to help vulnerable children and their parents address safety concerns and stabilize their living situation, through safety planning, resource and advocate connection, and a \$1,200 financial grant.
 - Apply by completing the [DHS 415F Application for Services](#) and returning to a Self-Sufficiency office.



NNEDV_Digital
Services & Public Health Emergencies



NNEDV_Working
Remotely & Public Health Crisis



Blog How to keep
children Safe Together

Page Two – Resources for Employees

Director's Office Message:

We would like to remind each other, with a higher number of staff out of office and completing work by telecommuting, please keep in touch with each other. DHS employees can continue to build networks and community while working remote.

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While we know there is risk for Oregonians, DHS also knows there is risk of increased domestic violence for employees. In addition to all the resources listed previously, DHS has additional protections for DHS employees.

Being a victim/survivor of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and/or harassment is a [protected class](#). Below is a list of resources available to you as an employee. We would also like to take this time to announce the new process: *Supporting DHS Employees Applying for Temporary Assistance for Domestic Violence Survivors (TA-DVS)*. This financial resource is also available to DHS employees and the attached process gives more information and details how to safely access this resource.

The safety of our employees is of the highest importance. If you need help or have questions, do not hesitate to reach out to your manager, human resources, or the [TA-DVS Policy](#) team.

Resources for Employees

- Paid Leave: Employees, or the employee's minor child, who have experienced DV, harassment, sexual assault, or stalking may qualify the employee for 160 hours of paid leave per calendar year once other leave has been utilized.
- Pseudo name and e-mail address for performing work.
- Alternate work schedules, transfer, or reassignment
- Relocating or adjusting the employee's workstation, worksite or location
- Screening telephone calls and visitors
- Changing telephone number
- EAP 24hr. crisis counselling 1-800-433-2320
- Protect work and home address (always protected for home, but add additional protection)
- DHS Emergency Management Team can create personalized workplace safety plan with survivor
- Applying for Temporary Assistance for Domestic Violence Survivors (TA-DVS) Program
- Co-Located Domestic Violence Advocates are available to offer completely confidential advocacy services, safety planning, and support. Find your local advocacy office here: <https://www.ocadsv.org/find-help>



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