



### **DID YOU KNOW?**

- In the U.S., an average of 20 people are physically abused by intimate partners every minute. This equates to more than 10 million victims annually.
- 1 in 3 women and 1 in 4 men have been physically abused by an intimate partner
- 1 in 4 women and 1 in 7 men have been severely physically abused by an intimate partner
- 1 in 7 women and 1 in 18 men have been stalked to the point where they fear that they or someone close to them will be harmed or killed
- On a typical day, domestic violence hotlines nationwide receive more than 20,000 calls
- The presence of a gun in a domestic violence situation increases the risk of homicide by 500%
- Intimate partner violence accounts for 15% of all violent crime
- Women between the ages of 18-24 are most commonly abused by an intimate partner
- 19% of domestic violence involves a weapon

Source: National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, [ncadv.org](http://ncadv.org)

## **RESOURCES**

**Domestic Abuse/Child Abuse Hotline**  
(843) 592-0646 24/7

**Hopeful Horizons Domestic Violence Shelter and Crisis Line**  
(800) 637-7273

**Beaufort Department of Social Services**  
(843) 255-6143

**Child Abuse Prevention Association (CAPA)**  
(843) 524-4350  
[capabeaufort.org](http://capabeaufort.org)

**Military 1 Source**  
(800) 342-9647  
[militaryonesource.mil](http://militaryonesource.mil)

**Family Advocacy Program (FAP)**  
Bldg. 807 Hoeffcker Ave.  
MCAS Beaufort, SC  
Mon-Fri: 0700-1600  
(843) 228-6126

**Victim Advocacy (VA)**  
Bldg. 807 Hoeffcker Ave.  
MCAS Beaufort, SC  
Mon-Fri: 0730-1600  
(843) 228-7093  
(843) 228-7823  
(843) 592-0646 24/7

# **FAMILY ADVOCACY (FAP) & VICTIM ADVOCACY (VA)**



## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Domestic violence or relationship abuse is a pattern of violent behaviors that adults use against an intimate partner. Abuse can cause injury or even death, but it does not have to be only physical. Domestic violence also includes sexual, verbal and emotional abuse, as well as economic control over another person.

### National Domestic Violence Hotline

(800) 799-SAFE (7233)

thehotline.org

## CHILD ABUSE

Child abuse is when someone responsible for a child's well-being, such as a parent or caregiver, mistreats a child physically, sexually or emotionally or neglects a child by not providing basic needs.

### National Child Abuse Hotline

(800) 4-A-CHILD (422-4453)

childhelp.org



## THERE'S HELP

Victim Advocates provide crisis intervention, immediate and ongoing advocacy services, and outreach to victims of domestic abuse and child abuse. All Victim Advocates are credentialed under the National Advocate Credentialing Program through the National Organiza-

tion for Victim Assistance. Victim Advocacy services are available for all victims of domestic abuse and non-offending parents of children who have been abused.

### A Victim Advocate's Role

- Provide emotional support
- Advise victims of their rights
- Accompany and support victims through medical and legal proceedings
- Link victims to military and civilian resources and services
- Individualized Safety Planning
- Educating victims and the community about domestic violence
- Explores reporting options (Restricted/Unrestricted)
- Educate families about the Transitional Compensation Program and completing applications



## REPORTING OPTIONS

### Restricted Reporting

Victims of domestic abuse who wish to report confidentially can make a restricted report to a Victim Advocate, Family Advocacy Program Manager or healthcare provider including FAP clinicians. Restricted reporting does not include an investigation or the Command's involvement. It allows the victim to access medical, counseling, and advocacy services.

## Unrestricted Reporting

Victims of domestic abuse who wish to pursue an official investigation of an incident that includes law enforcement and Command intervention can make an unrestricted report through their Chain of Command, law enforcement or the Family Advocacy Program. It allows the victim to medical, counseling, and advocacy services.

## TRANSITIONAL COMPENSATION PROGRAM

The Transitional Compensation Program provides financial assistance for qualifying spouses and children of service members separated from active duty due to domestic abuse.

