

The mission of the Bay Area Women's Center is to eliminate domestic violence and sexual assault in Bay and Arenac counties.

FREE and confidential services include:

- Adult Counseling
- Child and Teen Counseling
- Emergency Shelter
- Support Groups
- Housing Advocacy
- Personal Protection Orders
- Court Advocacy

Individual counseling available for:

- Victims of domestic violence
- Victims of sexual assault or abuse
- Child and teen victims of physical or sexual abuse
- Children who have witnessed or experienced violence in the home

Bay Area Women's Center Programs

24-Hour Crisis Hotline 989-686-4551 or 1-800-834-2098

The crisis office is staffed with trained employees and volunteers and offers clients crisis intervention, support, referrals and information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Residential Program - Emergency shelter with a wide range of services to battered women, battered men, and their children

Domestic Violence Program - Counseling and support groups for individuals affected by domestic violence

Sexual Assault Program - Counseling and support groups for individuals affected by child sexual abuse, incest, rape, sexual harassment and marital sexual assault

Housing Advocacy Program - Specialized assistance for those in search of permanent, safe housing

Victim Advocacy Program - Assistance to victims of crime, including support from a trained *Victim Advocate* during contacts with the legal system and information on the rights of a victim of crime

Children's Program - Services to children affected by domestic and sexual violence including counseling and play therapy

Prevention Education Program - Comprehensive educational and prevention programs for youth and adults

First Response Program - Assistance to victims of domestic violence at the scene of the attack or the hospital, including counseling by trained advocates

Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) - A team composed of trained forensic nurses, law enforcement and advocates respond anytime day or night, to sexual assault victims seeking treatment after an assault, including pediatric victims of sexual abuse