

# DEPARTMENT OF VIOLENCE PREVENTION

## SERVICE STRATEGY: GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE



Services funded within the Gender-Based Violence Strategy are intended for individuals impacted by intimate partner violence and commercial sexual exploitation. Services assist individuals in crisis with addressing immediate safety needs and support survivors in developing and achieving longer-term goals related to safety and healing.

### SERVICE CATEGORIES

- 24-hour hotlines
- Bedside advocacy and accompaniment
- Emergency shelter
- Legal advocacy
- Life coaching
- Safe space alternatives
- Therapeutic support
- Transitional housing

### FUNDED AGENCIES

#### BUILDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR SELF-SUFFICIENCY

self-sufficiency.org  
510.649.1930

#### COVENANT HOUSE CALIFORNIA

covenanthousecalifornia.org  
510.379.1010 | 800.379.1114

#### EAST BAY ASIAN YOUTH CENTER

ebayc.org  
510.533.1092

#### FAMILY VIOLENCE LAW CENTER

fvlc.org | 510.208.0220  
Crisis Line 800.947.8301

#### OAKLAND LGBTQ COMMUNITY CENTER

oaklandlgbtqcenter.org  
510.882.2286

#### OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT-OFFICE OF EQUITY

ousd.org/equity  
510.879.8429

#### RUBY'S PLACE

rubysplace.org  
510.581.5626

#### SISTER-TO-SISTER

serenityhouseoakland.org  
510.891.0464

#### YOUNG WOMEN'S FREEDOM CENTER

youngwomenfree.org  
/location/oakland  
510.350.7411





### SERVICE CATEGORY DESCRIPTIONS

#### ■ 24-hour hotlines

24-hour hotlines provide immediate counseling and service referrals to individuals experiencing intimate partner violence, commercial sexual exploitation, and sexual assault. Service referrals may be related to immediate safety needs or long-term support.

#### ■ Bedside advocacy and accompaniment

Bedside advocates respond to individuals in crisis to support them in navigating systems and accessing helpful resources. Advocates make warm-handoff referrals to services whenever possible.

#### ■ Emergency shelter

Emergency shelter services provide survivors of gender-based violence with safe, temporary housing through shelter beds, hotel vouchers, or financial support with relocation out of Oakland.

#### ■ Legal advocacy

Legal services for survivors of intimate partner violence include legal advice and counseling, preparation of legal paperwork, preparation and filing of temporary restraining orders and orders of protection, and full representation at court hearings. Legal services for survivors of commercial sexual exploitation include legal representation in court and services related to immigration.

#### ■ Life coaching

Gender-based violence life coaching services support individuals who have experienced commercial sexual exploitation with identifying and completing goals that reduce their risk for future victimization. Life coaches support clients with system navigation, service referrals, socio-emotional skill development, and strengthening family ties. Life coaches have frequent contact with their participants and use financial incentives to encourage positive behavior change.

#### ■ Safe space alternatives

Safe space alternatives provide a physical space where youth who have experienced commercial sexual exploitation, LGBTQ+ youth, and gender-nonconforming youth can access food, hygiene products, support groups, a place to rest, and other helpful resources.

#### ■ Therapeutic support

Therapeutic support services provide individual clinical therapy, support groups, and non-western healing practices to survivors of gender-based violence.

#### ■ Transitional housing

Transitional housing services support survivors of gender-based violence in accessing up to 18 months of safe temporary housing and subsequent support securing permanent housing.