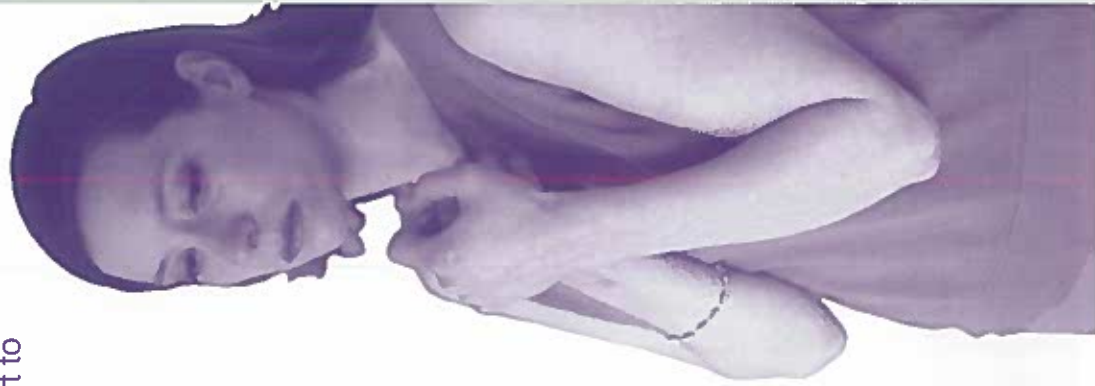


Working together, we can create a safer community.

Many survivors experience severe physical and emotional trauma. Talking about the experience can reduce stress, relieve anxiety and help survivors to regain their sense of control. Our sexual assault/human trafficking advocates are available to provide confidential support to survivors and their families.



YOU ARE NOT ALONE IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT!

Transformation services for youth under 18

- ☒ 24-hour crisis line
- ☒ Crisis intervention services
- ☒ Peer counseling for individuals, significant others, and family members
- ☒ Safety planning
- ☒ Medical and legal accompaniment and advocacy services
- ☒ Information and referrals
- ☒ Community education

All our services are FREE and available in both Spanish and English



The mission of Community Solutions is to create opportunities for positive change by promoting and supporting the full potential of individuals, the strengths of families, and the well being of our community.

Other services include:

- Prevention services on sexual assault, human trafficking, and healthy relationships.
- Training on human trafficking, sexual assault, and intimate partner abuse.
- Services for survivors of sexual assault, intimate partner abuse, and human trafficking including: peer counseling, legal advocacy, safety planning, counseling services, support groups, confidential shelter, resources and referrals.



Creating Opportunities • Changing Lives

Transformation Services



Empowering survivors of sexual exploitation.

24-Hour Crisis Line

Santa Clara County

San Benito County

**1.877.END.SADV
(1.877.363.7238)**

The Reality of Sexual Exploitation

Sexual exploitation can happen to anyone: men, women or children, regardless of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or socio-economic status. It can happen any time -- day or night.

What is Sexual Exploitation?

Sexual exploitation, also called human trafficking, is the sexual abuse of person through the exchange of sex or sexual acts for drugs, food, shelter, protection, other basics of life, and/or money where force, fraud, or coercion has occurred. If the person is under the age of 18, force, fraud, or coercion does not have to be proven or be evident. Examples could include:

- A person under age 18 receiving food, shelter or protection in exchange for performing sex acts
- Being coerced or forced into sex work, including pornography, stripping, escort services, etc.

Questions to ask yourself or others...

- Has anyone ever pressured you to do something you weren't comfortable doing?
- Has anyone ever pressured you into engaging in sex acts against your will?
- Have you ever been abused (physically, emotionally, sexually, mentally, financially, etc.) or threatened by anyone?
- Are you required to earn a certain amount of money to meet a quota for someone? What would happen if you didn't meet it? Are you able to keep any of that money?

The ultimate goal of any assault is to survive. There is no "right way" to respond.

If You Are A Survivor

Whether or not you choose to report the crime:

- Seek out support from someone you trust.
- Get medical attention. Consider the possibility of unwanted pregnancy and/or disease.
- Call a sexual assault crisis center for information and to normalize what you may be feeling.

If a sexual assault happened within the last five days, a person can choose to have a SART (a forensic evidence collection exam). There are two options to obtain a SART exam: (1) An individual could choose to report the assault to law enforcement, after disclosing to law enforcement, the police may ask the survivor to undergo a SART exam. (2) If a person chooses not to report to law enforcement, they are still entitled to a SART exam to collect evidence and receive medical care without reporting to law enforcement. This exam is called a non-investigative report exam. By completing this type of exam a person has two years to decide if they would like to talk with law enforcement regarding the details. Please call our crisis line for more information regarding any questions in relation to either option.

You have the right to have a sexual assault advocate with you during the exam to provide support and answer your questions.

If you choose to report, you have the right to have a sexual assault/CSEC advocate with you during the process to provide support and answer your questions.

A sexual assault advocate is provided by the following penal codes: Penal Code #264.2 and #679.04, as well as Evidence Code #1035.4.

Resources for Survivors

Santa Clara County

Community Solutions' 24-hour Crisis Line for Sexual Assault, Intimate Partner Abuse, CSEC, and Human Trafficking	877-363-7238
YWCA 24-hour Rape Crisis Line	800-572-2782
LEHT Task Force	408-918-4960
Victim Witness Assistance Program	408-295-2656
Child Abuse Reporting Line	408-299-2071
Mental Health Crisis Line	800-704-0900
Bill Wilson Center Runaway and Homeless Youth Shelter 24-hour Crisis Line	408-850-6125
Uplift Family Services 24-hour Crisis Line	877-412-7474
Department of Drug & Alcohol Services	800-488-0919
Suicide Prevention	855-278-4204
Planned Parenthood	877-855-7526
Youth Crisis Line	800-843-5200

National Toll Free Services

Polaris Human Trafficking Hotline	888-373-7888
Runaway Hotline	800-342-2437
Suicide Prevention Hotline	800-273-8255
Rape, Abuse, and Incest National Network	800-656-4673
Domestic Violence Hotline	800-799-7233

Sexual Exploitation

is a violent crime.

It violates a person's right to have control over their body and their right to be safe.

It is never the survivor's fault.