

## How you can help victims of abuse

Become a **Safe Avenues Volunteer** by contacting the Volunteer Coordinator. Volunteers are critical to the agency's ability to provide service to victims of domestic and sexual violence. In an average year, volunteers put in over 2,000 hours of time at Safe Avenues.

If you are with an **organization** (school, church, civic club, business, etc.) that would like to do a community service or fundraising project for Safe Avenues, please call the Director of Operations. She can assist you in developing a project that satisfies your desire to make a difference.

If you want to learn more about domestic violence or sexual assault and how you can help educate the public, contact our Director of Operations. Speakers are available to give presentations to large or small groups.

### If you want to make a financial donation:

Make a secure on-line donation by going to [www.willmarshelter.com](http://www.willmarshelter.com) or send a check to Safe Avenues, PO Box 568, Willmar, MN 56201.

If you want to donate clothing and household items to survivors, please call (320) 235-0962.

*Safe Avenues is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. All donations, including used household items and clothing, are acknowledged with a receipt suitable as evidence that the donation may qualify as a tax deductible contribution to a charitable organization.*

## Safe Avenues' Contacts

Executive Director

(320) 235-0475

[Safeplace@willmarshelter.com](mailto:Safeplace@willmarshelter.com)

Volunteer Coordinator.....(320) 235-0962

Director of Operations.....(320)235-0962

## Programs at Safe Avenues

Toll free 24 hours/day (800) 792-4210

[www.willmarshelter.com](http://www.willmarshelter.com)

### Harmony Visitation Center

(320) 214-0799

[hvc@harmonyvisitation.org](mailto:hvc@harmonyvisitation.org)

### Hispanic Outreach

(320) 235-0962

### Criminal Justice Intervention

(320) 222-4030

### Kandiyohi County SA Services

(320) 262-3829

### Renville County Outreach

(320) 523-1015

### Kandiyohi County DV Services

(320) 235-0962

### McLeod & Meeker County Outreach

(320) 587-7981

### Swift County Outreach

(320) 842-3206

### Chippewa & Lac qui Parle County Outreach

*Provided by Pathways of West Central Minnesota*

(320) 321-1199

*If you live elsewhere in the USA*

### National Domestic Violence Hotline

1-800-799-7233

Toll free 24 hours/day

[www.ndvh.org](http://www.ndvh.org)



United Way of  
West Central Minnesota



Office of Justice Programs



*For healing, justice, and peace*



### Mission

*To provide safety, support,  
and empowerment for victims of abuse  
and families in turmoil*

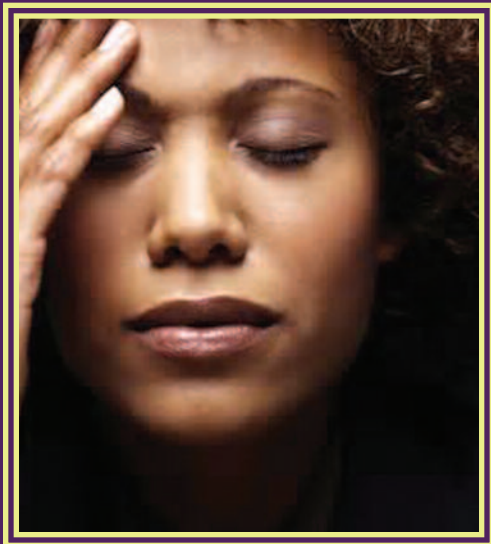
*Together we envision a future  
for our community where:*

- *Homes are safe and nurturing;*
- *Individuals, children, and families grow to their full potential, free from violence and intimidation*
- *Neighborhoods are safe;*
- *And human rights are respected, valued and upheld.*

## Safe Avenues

### Who can receive services?

Victims of domestic violence  
Victims of sexual assault  
Child abuse victims  
Child witnesses of family violence  
Children in need of supervised visitation  
or parental exchange



### A few facts about violence...

Nearly one in every four women is beaten or raped by a partner during adulthood.

Approximately 15.5 million children are exposed to domestic violence every year.

Victims who work with advocates experience less violence over time, report higher quality of life and social support, and have less difficulty obtaining community resources over time.

## Basic Services

24 hour crisis intervention

Emergency residential shelter  
For victims and their children

Advocacy and support for victims

Personal safety planning

Material assistance to victims

Food  
Clothing  
Personal supplies  
Furniture

Referrals and transportation  
to other services

Legal advocacy

Support for victims who need criminal  
justice intervention  
Assistance with filing Restraining  
Orders and Orders for Protection  
Support for victims during divorce,  
custody, and visitation issues

Support groups  
for survivors

Supervised visitation and exchange  
for families in turmoil

Public awareness and education

## Programs



Hispanic Advocacy  
Kandiyohi County

Criminal Justice Intervention  
Kandiyohi County

Domestic Violence Intervention  
Kandiyohi      Swift  
Renville      Chippewa  
Meeker      Lac qui Parle

Sexual Violence Intervention  
Kandiyohi      McLeod  
Renville      Swift

Harmony Visitation Center  
Neutral location for safe transfer of  
children for families with custody conflicts  
On-site, supervised visitations  
Education and support to families with a  
history of domestic and/or child abuse

Project Impact Youth Program

Support for children who  
have observed domestic  
violence  
Support groups for children  
Parenting support for moms  
Life skills education for  
residents  
Safety planning

