

# COMMUNITY SUPPORT & CRIME PREVENTION RESOURCES

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Amidst the rich diversity of our communities, we understand that each individual's journey is uniquely shaped by their experiences and circumstances. With this deep sense of compassion and inclusivity, we present this guide, extending a warm welcome to all those searching for community support and resources for violence prevention.

We strongly believe that every person, regardless of their background, deserves access to a helping hand. Whether you're seeking assistance with family disputes, looking to engage in community programs, need support with job opportunities, or help navigating the challenges of living in poverty, this guide is your steadfast companion. Our mission is to provide a comprehensive roadmap to the myriad resources available to support you. From conflict resolution services to job training programs, we're here to offer the kindness and help you need as you navigate your unique journey, no matter the path you walk.

We invite you to explore the resources in this guide at your own pace, seeking the support and knowledge that resonate with you. If you have any questions or concerns about an agency listed in this guide, please do not hesitate to contact our offices at 225-342-1570 for more information.

Health & Happiness,



## ADAPT, INC.

[Click here for website](#) Phone: 985-322-2085

24-Hour Crisis Hotline: 985-732-4961

ADAPT is a non-profit organization offering personal and pre-employment drug screens, individual or group counseling and a variety of prevention programs for the betterment of our community. The purpose of ADAPT is to provide a comprehensive center that offers advocacy, prevention and intervention services in the areas of sexual violence, substance abuse, and other problem behaviors of children and adults in Washington Parish. ADAPT strives to empower children, their parents, and other adults by providing knowledge and skills through its many programs and wide array of service. ADAPT stands ready to serve children and adults who are suffering as a result of sexual violence, substance abuse or any other problem behavior. ADAPT encourages our community to strengthen their prevention efforts through collaboration with schools, churches and community organizations.

## BAPTIST COMMUNITY MINISTRIES

[Click here for website](#) Phone: 504-593-2323

Founded in 1995, Baptist Community Ministries (BCM) is one of the largest private foundations in Louisiana. BCM provides philanthropic services throughout five parishes in the Greater New Orleans area. We are committed to our faith-based Mission of improving the physical, mental, and spiritual health of the individuals we serve.

## COMMITTEE FOR A BETTER NEW ORLEANS

[Click here for website](#)

We work to create equity and opportunity for all New Orleanians by developing community leaders, fostering civic engagement, and advocating for open, effective, accountable government.

## DO SOMETHING

[Click here for website](#)

As one of the largest nonprofits exclusively for young people and social change, DoSomething has activated millions of young people in every U.S. area code and 189 countries to take action to improve their communities. Together, DoSomething members participate in our campaigns and programs to take action on causes that impact them and their communities.

## EVERY TOWN FOR GUN SAFETY

[Click here for website](#)

Gun violence touches every town in America. For too long, life-saving laws have been thwarted by the gun lobby and by leaders who refuse to take common-sense steps that will save lives. But something is changing. Nearly 10 million mayors, moms, teachers, survivors, gun owners, students, and everyday Americans have come together to make their own communities safer. Everytown starts with you, and it starts in your neighborhood.

## ASSIST AGENCY

[Click here for website](#)

Abbeville Phone: 337-898-9554

Crowley Phone: 337-788-7551 ext. 138

Jennings Phone: 337-824-7800

The ASSIST Agency is a Community Action Agency that provides services to economically challenged individuals, families, and communities in the parishes of Acadia, Jeff Davis and Vermilion. They coordinate emergency assistance, provide weatherization services, sponsor youth programs, operate senior centers, and provide transportation in rural areas.

## C.H.A.N.G.E. INC.

[Click here for website](#) Phone: 225-267-7252

C.H.A.N.G.E. Inc., was founded by both families who have lost loved ones to violence AND community members who have been impacted by violence within the community. C.H.A.N.G.E. is dedicated to developing solutions that interrupt and/or prevent the cycle of violence. We specialize in identifying solutions that bring our community together. We realize that fostering UNITY is the key to preventing & solving the cycle of violence.

## CATHOLIC CHARITIES ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW ORLEANS

[Click here for website](#) Phone: 504-523-3755

We help our neighbors meet immediate needs and face long-term challenges. We steward our resources with transparency and efficiency. Together, we create a community where everyone is able to live with dignity and hope. Impelled by the love and teaching of Jesus Christ, while respecting the dignity and potential of all people, we collaborate to offer life-giving programs, advocate for the voiceless and empower the vulnerable to foster a just society.

## COMMUNITY SUPPORT PROGRAMS

[Click here for website](#) Phone: 318-865-1422

Community Support Programs is a nonprofit agency that works to enable individuals and families that need support. Our mission is to give these people what they need to successfully function as independently as possible. Although our organization began by helping homeless men and women diagnosed with mental illness, we've expanded our scope to also help families and children in need. Our innovative programs are specifically designed to help with housing, as well as, provide support for those battling mental health issues and addiction. We strive to maintain the dignity of each person served and to respect them as an individual.

## EMPOWER 225

[Click here for website](#) Phone: 225-236-5249

Our mission is to empower youth in the capital region who are at-risk of homelessness and dependency to reach their highest potential through educational support, life-skills training, career preparedness, housing and mentorship.

## FUTURES WITHOUT VIOLENCE

[Click here for website](#)

Futures Without Violence is a health and social justice nonprofit with a simple mission: to heal those among us who are traumatized by violence today and to create healthy families and communities free of violence tomorrow. Striving to reach new audiences and transform social norms, we train professionals on improving responses to violence and abuse. We also work with advocates, policy makers, and others to build sustainable community leadership and educate people everywhere about the importance of respect and healthy relationships.

## LIMITLESS VISTAS, INC.

[Click here for website](#) Phone: 504-529-4301

LVI's mission is to help young adults obtain the skills and knowledge to become gainfully employed in the environmental industry or conservation field, build a hopeful future, develop civic pride and establish life-long conservation skills and attitudes. LVI goals are multi-faceted with members learning to give back to their community, developing a sense of pride, and becoming stewards of the environment, all while developing job, social, and employable skills. Our program is strongly based on Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM), and is led by local scientists and professionals. LVI graduates have the skills, certifications and knowledge needed to begin a career as well-rounded environmental/ conservation field technicians.

## MEN STOPPING VIOLENCE

[Click here for website](#)

Men Stopping Violence is breaking the harmful societal norms surrounding interpersonal behaviors and mental health among men and boys while creating safe spaces for underserved populations through advocacy, education, and increased community engagement. We believe that the personal and societal change of men who use violence and the institutions that support their abuse starts with us. We offer a wide variety of classes to educate, change behavior, and increase advocacy.

## NATIONAL ALLIANCE FOR DRUG ENDANGERED CHILDREN

[Click here for website](#)

The National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children teaches early identification, response, and appropriate intervention services for children and families affected by parental or caregiver substance misuse. We equip comprehensive, multidisciplinary alliances, communities, organizations, and individuals with access to our national resource center, training, and technical assistance. National DEC is committed to being a "trauma-informed" organization in which all components of our services, programs and systems have been reconsidered and evaluated in the light of a basic understanding of the role that trauma plays in the lives of people we seek to serve. We believe the best way to address the needs of drug endangered children is a coordinated approach that puts children's needs first as they have historically been the first impacted and often the last identified.

## LIBERTY'S KITCHEN

[Click here for website](#) Phone: 504-822-4011

Liberty's Kitchen provides pathways for New Orleans young people to create and achieve their vision of success. Food—at the heart of our city's economy, culture, and future—is our chosen vehicle for change. Liberty's Kitchen has operated two dine-in locations, a catering business, and several community food access projects. The one constant that has remained in this rapidly-changing environment is our commitment to training motivated young adults facing extraordinary challenges by connecting them with employment and education opportunities and developing their skills as leaders and mentors.

## MACARONI KID

[Click here for website](#) [Find Your Town](#)

Each Macaroni KID community is managed by a local publisher who publishes weekly, hyper-local e-newsletters and websites featuring events, activities, products and places for parents, kids and families. They host local events and parties and connect with their communities via social media. They enrich communities by connecting the libraries, schools, rec centers, community centers and all of the wonderful organizations and businesses that create programming and fun for kids and families with local families.

## MOTHERS FOR JUSTICE

[Click here for website](#)

Mothers for Justice is a non-profit, grassroots movement of mothers that have come together in the fight against senseless gun violence. We are mothers that believe that gun violence is preventable. We work together with political leaders, community activist, holistic leaders, and other organizations to foster a culture that not only brings awareness, but common sense solutions to prevent gun violence. With the core of our mission being gun violence prevention, we also are heavily focus on empowering mothers, siblings, and families that have also become victims after losing a love one. Mothers for Justice believes that with love, prayer, and togetherness, we can use our collective voices, resources, and experiences in our fight for change, justice, and healing, as we bring an end to senseless gun violence.

## PLAQUEMINES COMMUNITY C.A.R.E. CENTERS FOUNDATION

[Click here for website](#) Phone: 504-393-5750

The Plaquemines C.A.R.E. Center is the human services agency of Plaquemines parish. The C.A.R.E. Center provides parenting skills classes, mental and behavioral health counseling, advocacy, care management and resource referrals to individuals, couples, families, and groups by counselors, social workers, advocates, and community health workers. We serve clients of all ages and for any reason, and all of our clinicians are trained in trauma informed practices.

## THE RED SHOES BATON ROUGE

[Click here for website](#) Phone: 225-338-1170

The Red Shoes is a nonprofit center offering opportunities for spiritual enrichment and personal growth through book and film studies, weekend retreats, and workshops. We offer creative development through the art forms of collage, drawing, painting, writing and music. We offer movement classes including yoga and various dance disciplines. Classes are designed to broaden one's understanding within a supportive community.

## SBP

[Click here for website](#) Phone: 504-281-4614

While we can't prevent natural disasters, we can prevent the suffering they cause. SBP shrinks the time between disaster and recovery through five interventions: BUILD efficiently; SHARE our model with other organizations; PREPARE home and business owners through resilience training; ADVISE municipal and state officials, and ADVOCATE for policy changes and improvements to the disaster recovery industry. To achieve our mission, SBP takes a holistic approach to disasters—increasing resilience before and streamlining recovery after.

## START CORPORATION

[Click here for website](#)

Houma Community Health Center: 985-333-2020

Baton Rouge Community Health Center: 225-235-7734

New Orleans Community Health Center: 504-332-5713

St. Tammany Community Health Center: 985-951-4716

Thibodaux Community Health Center: 985-266-0444

Shreveport Case Management Office: 318-317-3782

Start Corporation is a non-profit organization that provides health and social services to individuals with mental disabilities, the homeless, youth, and veterans. The organization and the clinic work together to provide holistic care to its patients by addressing their basic needs. Our clinic consists of physicians, nurse practitioners, and licensed social workers. Our primary care provider treats illnesses that range from minor injuries to major medical conditions. Based on your medical needs, you will be referred and scheduled with one of our behavioral health providers as needed. Our behavioral staff provides psychiatric evaluations for all psychiatric disorders, oversees medication management, and offers supportive counseling.

Our dental staff offers dental exams and extractions. If you need legal advice or assistance, free legal services are available.

## TOTAL COMMUNITY ACTION

[Click here for website](#) Phone: 504-872-0334

Total Community Action addresses the needs of the poor and near-poor by providing direct assistance and the opportunity for people to better help themselves. We are not just band aiding the situation, we are moving families towards self-sufficiency. We provide services to residents of New Orleans which include early childhood development and comprehensive family support, workforce development, family strengthening, homeless prevention, free tax preparation assistance and more.

## REDSTICK C.A.R.E.S.

[Click here for website](#) Phone: 225-351-2273

Redstick C.A.R.E.S. is an organization committed to building a resilient community in greater Baton Rouge and the surrounding nine parishes by improving the community's behavioral, mental and social health through human connection. We do this by providing counseling and therapy, programs for people with special needs, disabilities, and/or who may be on the autism spectrum, educational and skill building activities, support groups, school system advocacy, and a dedicated CARES phone line to connect those in need to our programs and resources.

## SILENCEISVIOLENCE

[Click here for website](#)

The mission of SilenceIsViolence is to work toward a safe and equitable New Orleans. We provide direct victim services, creative youth engagement, and public advocacy, working with clients and partners from every sector to achieve safe, just, and thriving communities.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL OF BATON ROUGE

[Click here for website](#) Phone: 225-383-7837

Inspired by Gospel values, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, a Catholic lay organization, leads women and men to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to the needy and suffering in the tradition of its founder, Blessed Frederic Ozanam, and patron, St. Vincent de Paul. As a reflection of the whole family of God, Members are drawn from every ethnic and cultural background, age group, and economic level. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul of Baton Rouge provides the following services to the local community: Food Services, Shelter/Housing, Stores/Distribution Centers, Uniforms for Kids, Prescription Services, Disaster Relief, and legal consultation.

## STOMP OUT BULLYING

[Click here for website](#) Live HelpChat Crisis Line

STOMP Out Bullying® is dedicated to changing the culture for all students. It works to reduce and prevent bullying, cyberbullying, and other digital abuse, educates against homophobia, LGBTQ+ discrimination, racism and hatred, and deters violence in schools, online and in communities across the country. In this diverse world, STOMP Out Bullying promotes civility, inclusion and equality. It teaches effective solutions on how to respond to all forms of bullying, as well as educating kids and teens in school and online. It provides help for those in need and at risk of suicide, and raises awareness through peer mentoring programs in schools, public service announcements by noted celebrities, and social media campaigns.

## THAT'S NOT COOL

[Click here for website](#) Phone: 504-717-6187

That's Not Cool is an award-winning national public education initiative that partners with young people to help raise awareness and bring educational and organizing tools to communities to address dating violence, unhealthy relationships, and digital abuse. The program's interactive website, tools, and resources support young people as they learn to recognize, avoid, and prevent dating violence in their lives. The program is built on the belief that young people must lead the way in creating change online, in their schools, and in their communities. That's Not Cool works to lift the voices of the most silenced and marginalized communities of young people including LGBTQI youth, Native youth, youth living with disabilities, and youth of color. Our work provides youth leaders with the tools, training, and support they need to bring localized violence prevention public education campaigns to their communities. That's Not Cool also provides tools, resources, and technical assistance to adult allies—such as educators and advocates—working with youth leaders or young people experiencing dating violence.

## VIA LINK

[Click here for website](#)

**Information and Referrals, call: 2-1-1**

**Crisis Counseling Line: 1-800-273-TALK (8255)**

**Teen Crisis Text Line: 833-TXT-TEEN  
(833-898-8336)**

**Information and Resource Referrals:**

**Text your zip code to 898-211**

VIA LINK is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that provides a range of services to the people of Louisiana. We provide counseling to those in crisis, help people connect with critical services, give suicide intervention, offer opioid counseling and more. These services are provided over phone, text, and online chat services 24/7, 365 days a year, in over 150 different languages.

## URBAN CONSERVANCY

[Click here for website](#) Phone: 504-717-6187

The Urban Conservancy is a New Orleans-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization leading and collaborating to strengthen our urban environment and local economy through equitable practices, policies and programs. Today, the need for ongoing dialogue about the responsibilities of wise stewardship of New Orleans' unique built environment is more important than ever. It is our duty, as the current residents, to align our built and natural assets in ways that make our city stronger and safer for all its residents until such time as we pass it on to the next generation.

## URBAN LEAGUE OF LOUISIANA

[Click here for website](#) Phone: 504-620-2332

Having served Greater New Orleans since 1938 with a mission to assist underserved communities in securing economic self-reliance, parity, power, and civil rights, the Urban League expanded to a statewide entity in 2016, becoming the Urban League of Louisiana (ULLA). Even after 80 years, the organization is still relevant in its mission of focusing programs to ensure quality education and access to information, employment, entrepreneurial and economic inclusion opportunities, and shared dignity under the law. ULLA provides services to citizens through programs housed in three essential Centers of Excellence, which take a holistic approach to addressing issues that concern low to moderate-income families: The Center for Education and Youth Development, the Center for Workforce and Economic Development, and the Center for Policy and Social Justice.