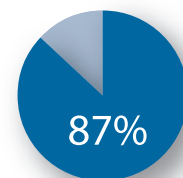
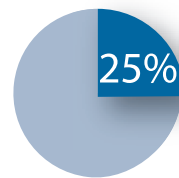


Did You Know?

- 1 in 6 boys and 1 in 4 girls will be assaulted by age 18.
- Most rapes are committed by people known and trusted by the victim.
- Sexual violence against people 65 and older is reported less than 1% of the time.
- 1 in 4 teenage girls who have been in relationships reveal that they have been pressured to perform oral sex or engage in intercourse.
- 1 in 4 college-aged women will experience date rape or an attempted rape during her college years.
- Rape and assault victims often blame themselves.



87% of women raped know their attackers in some capacity



25% of college aged women will experience date rape or an attempted rape during her college years

“I am gaining personal strength and experience...sexual assault is real, and we can do something about it!” - Volunteer

SACNEGA SERVES A SEVEN COUNTY AREA:

Clarke • Oconee • Oglethorpe • Franklin • Hart • Elbert • Madison

SACNEGA

Sexual Assault Center of Northeast Georgia

working to end sexual violence

VOLUNTEER ADVOCATES

You can become part of the solution to end sexual violence.

Like most sexual assault centers, SACNEGA began as a volunteer-crisis line for victims of rape. Today, SACNEGA has grown to include many services, but volunteers are still at the core of our services to the community.

To become a volunteer advocate you must complete an intensive 30-hour training to prepare you for hotline response, victim services and support post-assault.

For more information, contact the Volunteer Coordinator at: 706.546.1133



SHOE STORIES

- A.** As a child, her step-father sexually molested her. In high school, she was raped by her first real boyfriend. In college, she was forced to perform oral sex while she was drunk. As an adult, she is married to a man who is sometimes violent and periodically forces her to perform sex acts that she is not comfortable with. This 45-year-old woman is tired of being victimized.
- B.** A 3-year-old girl was raped by her mother's boyfriend. With so much physical trauma for evidence, the man received the maximum penalty and is now in prison.
- C.** This 29-year-old school teacher loves to garden and reads at least two books a week. She also happens to be a lesbian. When a neighbor discovered her sexual orientation, he decided that she had "just never made it with a real man," so he raped her.
- D.** A 7-year-old boy watched as his 3-year-old sister was raped by their mother's boyfriend. He is sad and angry that he could not stop it from happening.
- E.** As a child, this adult survivor was abused by his church's deacon at the time. The survivor's parents did not believe him, because the deacon was such a "nice man." The survivor doesn't go to church anymore.

SACNEGA IS A PROUD PARTNER OF:

The Athens-Clarke County Family Protection Center • Clarke-Oconee Domestic Violence Task Force • Clarke-Oconee Multidisciplinary Team Oglethorpe Family Connections

SACNEGA IS A PROUD MEMBER OF:

National Children's Alliance • Children's Advocacy Centers of Georgia • Georgia Network to End Sexual Assault



In the United States of America,
someone is sexually assaulted
every 2^{1/2} minutes.

Think that it will never happen?
Unfortunately, the people who wore these
shoes are part of this statistic.

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WHAT IS SEXUAL ASSAULT?

Sexual assault takes many forms, ranging from fondling to rape. If you have doubts about whether you or someone you know has been raped, please call us. It is common for victims to be uncertain and hesitant.



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ABOUT THE SHOES

It is easier to distance yourself from hard numbers, but put yourself in the victims' shoes. These are real people: children, men and women who have a story to tell - not just statistics. They are brothers, sisters, sons, daughters, fathers, mothers and friends, and they need your support.

ADULT RESPONSE SERVICES

The Sexual Assault Center provides the following services for women, men and adolescents affected by sexual violence:

24/7 Hotline & Crisis Counseling: Trained volunteer advocates and staff provide support and crisis intervention by phone or in person. All calls and meetings are confidential.

Medical Accompaniment: Volunteers and staff accompany victims of sexual assault during forensic medical exams.

Counseling Assistance: Staff coordinates referrals to professionals for appropriate individual, family and group counseling.

CHILD RESPONSE SERVICES

Services to children are composed of two components:

Forensic Interviews are conducted by trained staff in collaboration with law enforcement and/or the Department of Family & Children's Services (DFCS) to conduct videotaped interviews with children who are alleged victims of sexual abuse. The interview process is designed with the child's safety and comfort as priorities – not family and not evidence. To be effective, interviews must be consistent with the child's level of development; questions must be non-leading and non-threatening. The forensic interview avoids the potential trauma of being interviewed multiple times and often means a child does not have to testify when a case goes to trial.

PREVENTION & EDUCATION

The primary focus of Rape Prevention and Education is two-fold. The first is to increase awareness about the prevalence and types of sexual victimization; and the second is to promote healthy and respectful human relationships.

SACNEGA offers curriculum-based lessons and presentations to increase awareness and recognize potential threats. Programs are designed specifically for middle and high school students, college student groups, community and faith-based organizations, businesses, and underserved populations.



MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Sexual Assault Center of Northeast Georgia, Inc. (SACNEGA) is to provide crisis services, stabilization counseling, legal and medical advocacy, and prevention education for victims, their families and our communities.

*"Respect is the best armor there is."
- 11-year-old girl*

Legal Advocacy: Staff members may act as liaisons for victims during the judicial process. This encourages follow-up and communication between law enforcement, the District Attorney's office and the victim when charges are filed and prosecution is pursued.

Medical Advocacy: Center staff provides information and referrals regarding post-assault medical issues and accompany victims to follow-up appointments.

Family Support: Family members and/or significant others who accompany a victim to the Center after a report receive emotional support (short-term) and information.

"The most important thing is for a survivor to feel safe."- a survivor of sexual assault

Group Counseling has been found to be effective for child victims, their siblings and parents. Heroes, Great and Small, an activity-based group for ages 5-10 also includes an eight-week program for parents. The Center responds to children of all ages, and when necessary, coordinates referrals to professionals in the community.



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