

# Regional Victim Crisis Center

Assisting Victims and Survivors of Sexual Assault and Other Violence;  
Working to Prevent Sexual Assault and Other Violence through Primary Prevention

## Victim Assistance

RVCC offers these services to those who need assistance:

Support and information for victims of violent crimes

Emergency response to crime scenes, trauma center and law enforcement

Counseling for victims and non-offending friends and family members

Help with filing or Crime Victims' Compensation

Support and information through the criminal justice process

Help with community resources

RVCC serves hundreds of crime victims each year in Abilene and the surrounding area, including:

Assault (includes bullying of and by children)  
Aggravated assault

Sexual assault, Rape

Child sexual assault

Robbery

Stalking

Homicide (murder) victims' families and friends  
Adults molested as children

## Volunteer Certified Victim Advocate Training

Volunteers accepted into the RVCC Victim Assistance Training complete 40 hours of comprehensive training to become certified victim advocates. Each volunteer advocate commits to three shifts per month. Shifts include the telephone crisis hotline and emergency response teams during evening, weekend and holiday hours. You must be a resident of our region (Abilene and surrounding area in Texas) to qualify for our volunteer program. To become a Volunteer Certified Victim Advocate for RVCC: Submit your Volunteer Application [online](#) or [download pdf](#)

## Violence Prevention

### WHO® (We Help Ourselves)

This comprehensive anti-victimization program is designed to assist children and teens in dealing with numerous types of potentially dangerous situations.

The program teaches assessment options on an age-appropriate basis and provides information on community resources.

WHO® focuses on prevention of child abuse, child sexual assault, bully behavior and other problems. RVCC staff and certified volunteers present WHO® programs to more than 14,000 children, Kindergarten through 5th grade, each year in Abilene and surrounding school districts.

### PATH (Promoting Alternative Thinking)

This lunch hour program for identified control groups of elementary students addresses Bully Behavior and Conflict Management leadership skills.

### Violence Prevention 6th - 8th grades

Topics include verbal, physical and emotional abuse; bully behavior; self-care; peer pressure, harassment and sexual abuse, community and property, media, physical fighting, stranger harassment, male victims of sexual assault, running away.

### PEACE 9th - College

The main goal of this program is to decrease violence in schools. It is unique in that youth lead the programs in their schools utilizing peer influence for positive change. The program trains MOST (Men of Strength Teams) to help younger students build leadership skills and encourages the RESPECT program.

### Crime Prevention Programs

RVCC provides Sexual Assault Awareness seminars and general Crime Prevention programs to any group or organization free of charge. Professional trainings are available to law enforcement officers, social workers, and medical personnel.

*Become a Volunteer!*



New WHO® presentation kit provided by a generous grant from Dodge Jones Foundation.

## Contact Us

24/7 Victim Crisis Hotline

**325-677-7895**

### Office Hours

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