

FAMILY OBLIGATIONS

The family must follow the rules listed below in order to participate in the Project Based Voucher Program.

The family must:

- 1) Supply any information that MPHA determines to be necessary including evidence of citizenship or eligible immigration status, and information for use in a regularly scheduled reexamination or interim reexamination of family income and composition.
(Citizenship status will **NOT** prevent an otherwise eligible household from program participation)
- 2) Documentation must be provided within 30 days of any family composition change and any change in income – in accordance with MPHA policies.
- 3) Disclose and verify social security numbers and sign and submit consent forms for obtaining information.
- 4) Supply any information requested by the MPHA program to verify that the family is living in the unit or information related to family absence from the unit.
- 5) Request permission from the MPHA program for absences from the unit exceeding 30 days. An authorized absence may not exceed 90 days. Any family absent over 90 days may be terminated from the program.
- 6) Promptly notify the MPHA program in writing when the family is away from the unit for an extended period of time in accordance with MPHA policies.
- 7) Allow MPHA to inspect the unit at reasonable times and after reasonable notice.
- 8) Notify MPHA personnel and the owner in writing before moving out of the unit or terminating the lease.
- 9) Use the assisted unit for residence by the family. The unit must be the family's only residence.
- 10) Notify MPHA in writing within 30 days of the birth, adoption, or court-awarded custody of a child.
- 11) Request within 10 days MPHA program written approval prior to adding any other family member as an occupant of the unit.
- 12) Promptly notify the MPHA program in writing if any family member no longer lives in the unit.
- 13) Give the MPHA program a copy of any owner eviction notice within 3 days of receipt.
- 14) Pay utility bills and provide and maintain any appliances that the owner is not required to provide under the lease.
- 15) Be responsible for any Housing Quality Standard (HQS) breach caused by the family or its guests.

The family (including each family member) must NOT:

- 1) Breach any repayment agreement for monies owed to any Public Housing Authority.
- 2) Own or have any interest in the unit (other than in a cooperative, or the owner of a manufactured home leasing a manufactured home space).
- 3) Commit any serious or repeated violation of the lease, which includes unpaid rent.
- 4) Commit fraud, bribery or any other corrupt or criminal act in connection with the program.
- 5) Engage in drug-related criminal activity or violent criminal activity or other criminal activity that threatens the health, safety or right to peaceful enjoyment of other residents and persons residing in the immediate vicinity of the premises.
- 6) Sublease or let the unit or assign the lease or transfer the unit.

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- 7) Receive MPHA rental assistance while receiving another housing subsidy for the same unit or a different unit under any other Federal, State or local housing assistance program.
- 8) Damage the unit or premises (other than damage from ordinary wear and tear) or permit any guest to damage the unit or premises.
- 9) Receive MPHA rental assistance while residing in a unit owned by a parent, child, grandparent, grandchild, sister or brother of any member of the family, unless the MPHA program has determined (and has notified the owner and the family of such determination) that approving rental of the unit, notwithstanding such relationship, would provide reasonable accommodation for a family member who is a person with disabilities.
- 10) Engage in abuse of alcohol in a way that threatens the health, safety or right to peaceful enjoyment of the other residents and persons residing in the immediate vicinity of the premises.
- 11) Engage in threatening, abusive or violent behavior toward any partner associated with the Stable Homes Stable Schools initiative.

Are You a
Victim of
Housing
Discrimination?

Fair Housing is Your Right!

If you have been denied your
housing rights...you may have
experienced unlawful discrimina-
tion.



U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

WHERE TO MAIL YOUR FORM OR INQUIRE ABOUT YOUR CLAIM

**For Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts,
New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont:**
NEW ENGLAND OFFICE
Fair Housing Hub
U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development
Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. Federal Building
10 Causeway Street, Room 321
Boston, MA 02222-1092
Telephone (617) 994-8320 or 1-800-827-5005
Fax (617) 565-7313 • TTY (617) 565-5453
E-mail: Complaints_office_01@hud.gov

For New Jersey and New York:
NEW YORK/NEW JERSEY OFFICE
Fair Housing Hub
U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development
26 Federal Plaza, Room 3532
New York, NY 10278-0068
Telephone (212) 264-1290 or 1-800-496-4294
Fax (212) 264-9829 • TTY (212) 264-0927
E-mail: Complaints_office_02@hud.gov

**For Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland,
Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia:**
MID-ATLANTIC OFFICE
Fair Housing Hub
U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development
The Wanamaker Building
100 Penn Square East
Philadelphia, PA 19107
Telephone (215) 656-0663 or 1-888-799-2085
Fax (215) 656-3419 • TTY (215) 656-3450
E-mail: Complaints_office_03@hud.gov

**For Alabama, the Caribbean, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Missis-
sippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee:**
SOUTHEAST/CARIBBEAN OFFICE
Fair Housing Hub
U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development
Five Points Plaza
40 Marietta Street, 16th Floor
Atlanta, GA 30303-2808
Telephone (404) 331-5140 or 1-800-440-8091
Fax (404) 331-1021 • TTY (404) 730-2654
E-mail: Complaints_office_04@hud.gov

**For Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota,
Ohio, and Wisconsin:**
MIDWEST OFFICE
Fair Housing Hub
U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development
Ralph H. Metcalfe Federal Building
77 West Jackson Boulevard, Room 2101
Chicago, IL 60604-3507
Telephone (312) 353-7776 or 1-800-765-9372
Fax (312) 886-2837 • TTY (312) 353-7143
E-mail: Complaints_office_05@hud.gov

For Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas:
SOUTHWEST OFFICE
Fair Housing Hub
U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development
801 North Cherry, 27th Floor
Fort Worth, TX 76102
Telephone (817) 978-5900 or 1-888-560-8913
Fax (817) 978-5876 or 5851 • TTY (817) 978-5595
E-mail: Complaints_office_06@hud.gov

For Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska:
GREAT PLAINS OFFICE
Fair Housing Hub
U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development
Gateway Tower II
400 State Avenue, Room 200, 4th Floor
Kansas City, KS 66101-2406
Telephone (913) 551-6958 or 1-800-743-5323
Fax (913) 551-6856 • TTY (913) 551-6972
E-mail: Complaints_office_07@hud.gov

**For Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota,
Utah, and Wyoming:**
ROCKY MOUNTAINS OFFICE
Fair Housing Hub
U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development
1670 Broadway
Denver, CO 80202-4801
Telephone (303) 672-5437 or 1-800-877-7353
Fax (303) 672-5026 • TTY (303) 672-5248
E-mail: Complaints_office_08@hud.gov

For Arizona, California, Hawaii, and Nevada:
PACIFIC/HAWAII OFFICE
Fair Housing Hub
U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development
600 Harrison Street, Third Floor
San Francisco, CA 94107-1300
Telephone (415) 489-6524 or 1-800-347-3739
Fax (415) 489-6558 • TTY (415) 436-6594
E-mail: Complaints_office_09@hud.gov

For Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington:
NORTHWEST/ALASKA OFFICE
Fair Housing Hub
U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development
Seattle Federal Office Building
909 First Avenue, Room 205
Seattle, WA 98104-1000
Telephone (206) 220-5170 or 1-800-877-0246
Fax (206) 220-5447 • TTY (206) 220-5185
E-mail: Complaints_office_10@hud.gov

*If after contacting the local office nearest you, you still have ques-
tions – you may contact HUD further at:*
U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development
Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity
451 7th Street, S.W., Room 5204
Washington, DC 20410-2000
Telephone (202) 708-0836 or 1-800-669-9777
Fax (202) 708-1425 • TTY 1-800-927-9275

To file electronically, visit: www.hud.gov

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MAIL TO:

Public Reporting Burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 20 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development is authorized to collect this information by Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended by the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988, (P.L. 100-430); Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, (P.L. 88-352); Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, (P.L. 93-112); Section 109 of Title I- Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, (P.L. 97-35); Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, (P.L. 101-336); and by the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 6103).

The information will be used to investigate and to process housing discrimination complaints. The information may be disclosed to the United States Department of Justice for its use in the filing of pattern and practice suits of housing discrimination or the prosecution of the person(s) who committed that discrimination where violence is involved; and to State or local fair housing agencies that administer substantially equivalent fair housing laws for complaint processing. Failure to provide some or all of the requested information will result in delay or denial of HUD assistance.

Disclosure of this information is voluntary.



HOUSING DISCRIMINATION INFORMATION

Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano Oficina de Derecho Equitativo a la Vivienda
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity

Instructions: (Please type or print) Read this form carefully. Try to answer all questions. If you do not know the answer or a question does not apply to you, leave the space blank. You have one year from the date of the alleged discrimination to file a complaint. Your form should be signed and dated.

Your Name

Your Address

City

State

Zip Code

Best time to call

Your Daytime Phone No

Evening Phone No

Who else can we call if we cannot reach you?

Contact's Name

Best Time to call

Daytime Phone No

Evening Phone No

Contact's Name

Best Time to call

Daytime Phone No

Evening Phone No

1 What happened to you?

How were you discriminated against?

For example: were you refused an opportunity to rent or buy housing? Denied a loan? Told that housing was not available when in fact it was? Treated differently from others seeking housing?

State briefly what happened.

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2 Why do you think you are a victim of housing discrimination?

Is it because of your:

• race • color • religion • sex • national origin • familial status (families with children under 18) • disability?

For example: were you denied housing because of your race? Were you denied a mortgage loan because of your religion? Or turned down for an apartment because you have children?

Briefly explain why you think your housing rights were denied and circle the factor(s) listed above that you believe apply.

3 Who do you believe discriminated against you?

For example: was it a landlord, owner, bank, real estate agent, broker, company, or organization?

Identify who you believe discriminated against you.

Name

Address

4 Where did the alleged act of discrimination occur?

For example: Was it at a rental unit? Single family home? Public or Assisted Housing? A Mobile Home?

Did it occur at a bank or other lending institution?

Provide the address.

Address

City

State

Zip Code

5 When did the last act of discrimination occur?

Enter the date

____/____/____

Is the alleged discrimination continuing or ongoing?

Yes No

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Signature

Date

Send this form to HUD or to the fair housing agency nearest you. If you are unable to complete this form, you may call that office directly. See address and telephone listings on back page.



It is Unlawful to Discriminate in Housing Based on These Factors...

- Race
- Color
- National origin
- Religion
- Sex
- Familial status (families with children under the age of 18, or who are expecting a child)
- Handicap (if you or someone close to you has a disability)

If You Believe Your Rights Have Been Violated...

- HUD or a State or local fair housing agency is ready to help you file a complaint.
- After your information is received, HUD or a State or local fair housing agency will contact you to discuss the concerns you raise.

Detach here. Fold and close with glue or tape (no staples)

Keep this information for your records.

Date you mailed your information to HUD: _____/_____/_____
Address to which you sent the information:

Office

Telephone

Street

City

State

Zip Code

If you have not heard from HUD or a State or local fair housing agency within three weeks from the date you mailed this form, you may call to inquire about the status of your complaint. See address and telephone listings on back page.

ARE YOU A VICTIM OF HOUSING DISCRIMINATION?

"The American Dream of having a safe and decent place to call 'home' reflects our shared belief that in this nation, opportunity and success are within everyone's reach.

Under our Fair Housing laws, every citizen is assured the opportunity to build a better life in the home or apartment of their choice — regardless of their race, color, religion, sex, national origin, family status or disability."

Alphonso Jackson
Secretary

HOW DO YOU RECOGNIZE HOUSING DISCRIMINATION?

Under the Fair Housing Act, it is Against the Law to:

- Refuse to rent to you or sell you housing
- Tell you housing is unavailable when in fact it is available
- Show you apartments or homes only in certain neighborhoods
- Set different terms, conditions, or privileges for sale or rental of a dwelling
- Provide different housing services or facilities
- Advertise housing to preferred groups of people only
- Refuse to provide you with information regarding mortgage loans, deny you a mortgage loan, or impose different terms or conditions on a mortgage loan
- Deny you property insurance
- Conduct property appraisals in a discriminatory manner
- Refuse to make reasonable accommodations for persons with a disability if the accommodation may be necessary to afford such person a reasonable and equal opportunity to use and enjoy a dwelling.
- Fail to design and construct housing in an accessible manner
- Harass, coerce, intimidate, or interfere with anyone exercising or assisting someone else with his/her fair housing rights

Reasonable Accommodation

Need for a Reasonable Accommodation and Nexus Between the Disability and Accommodation

A reasonable accommodation may include an exception to MPHA's rules, policies or procedures. While MPHA may accept the judgment of the person with the disability that an accommodation is needed, MPHA may require the person to show the need for an accommodation or to permit an inspection of the unit. Also, MPHA may investigate alternatives to the requested accommodation and/or alternative methods of providing the requested accommodation. MPHA will select an appropriate accommodation which is most convenient and cost effective for MPHA.

The person with the disability has the burden to show that there is a connection between the disability and the accommodation and a connection between the disability and the lease violation. The person must also show that the accommodation is likely to enable the person to comply with the lease or the program and that the person will accept the necessary assistance.

If you are a person with a disability and wish to request a reasonable accommodation, please contact your Eligibility Technician for assistance.



REQUEST FOR FREE INTERPRETATIVE SERVICES

I, _____, ask Minneapolis Public Housing Authority (MPHA) to provide free interpretative services to me. I represent that I do not speak English as my primary language and that I have a limited ability to read, write, speak or understand English. I understand that the interpreter may read or hear private information about me. The contract or MPHA Staff interpreter has agreed to keep information about me private in compliance with federal and state law.

Date: _____
Signature of Client

Language of Origin

English

This information is important, if you do not understand it, please call your MPHA representative, for free language assistance

Hmong

Yog koj tsi to taub txog cov nqi lust seem ceeb no, thov hu mus rau ntawm tsev luam qhov chaw ua hauj lwm MPHA peb yuav pab ntxhais rau nej

Somali

Halkan waxaa ku qoran war ama akhbaar aad u muhim ah, haddii aad fahmi kari weydo, fadlan ula tag wakiilka hay'adda MPHA, si aad tarjumaad bilaash ah uga hesho.

Oromo

Beeksifni kun hedduu barbaachisaa dha. Yaadni isaa hoo isiniif hin galle ta'e, bakka bu'aa "MPHA" (Bulchiinsa Mana Mootummaa Magaalaa Minneapolis) akka afaan isiniif hiikamu gargaarsa tolaa gaafadhaa.

Amharic (Ethiopian)

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Laotian

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Rev. Date 15.10.09



NOTICE TO SECTION 8 HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER APPLICANTS AND PARTICIPANTS

Re: VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT (VAWA)

A federal law went into effect in January 2006 called Violence Against Women Act, or "VAWA". This law was established to provide protections to individuals who are victims of domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

In general:

- MPHA may not terminate the Section 8 HCV assistance of a participant who is a certified victim of an actual or threatened incident of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, as defined by VAWA. Also, owners and managers of Section 8 assisted rental properties may not terminate the lease of a certified victim for criminal activity that is directly related to those acts of violence.
- MPHA will require male or female participants to certify to the incidents in which they claim to be were victims of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking. MPHA will not disclose the certification information provided by the victim except as the law permits.
- If participant family moves out of an assisted unit to protect the health or safety of an immediate family member, where they reasonably believe there is an imminent threat of harm from further violence if they remain in the unit and the family has complied with all Section 8 family obligations, MPHA may allow the participant family to move to another assisted unit in Minneapolis or to move to another jurisdiction.
- MPHA may terminate the Section 8 program participation of the perpetrator, or the owner or manager may terminate the perpetrator's lease. Also, MPHA may terminate the Section 8 program participation of the victim, or the owner or manager may terminate the lease of a victim if there is an actual and immediate threat of harm to others or for other lease violations not based on domestic violence, dating violence or stalking as defined under the law.

If you think that you are a victim of actual or threatened domestic violence, or are facing lease violations for an actual or threatened domestic violence incident, please contact your Eligibility Technician (E.T.) for more information on your rights under VAWA.

Sincerely,

MINNEAPOLIS PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY

Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program
612-342-1480

**CERTIFICATION OF
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE,
DATING VIOLENCE,
SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR STALKING,
AND ALTERNATE DOCUMENTATION**

**U.S. Department of Housing
and Urban Development**

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Purpose of Form: The Violence Against Women Act ("VAWA") protects applicants, tenants, and program participants in certain HUD programs from being evicted, denied housing assistance, or terminated from housing assistance based on acts of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking against them. Despite the name of this law, VAWA protection is available to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, regardless of sex, gender identity, or sexual orientation.

Use of This Optional Form: If you are seeking VAWA protections from your housing provider, your housing provider may give you a written request that asks you to submit documentation about the incident or incidents of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

In response to this request, you or someone on your behalf may complete this optional form and submit it to your housing provider, or you may submit one of the following types of third-party documentation:

- (1) A document signed by you and an employee, agent, or volunteer of a victim service provider, an attorney, or medical professional, or a mental health professional (collectively, "professional") from whom you have sought assistance relating to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, or the effects of abuse. The document must specify, under penalty of perjury, that the professional believes the incident or incidents of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking occurred and meet the definition of "domestic violence," "dating violence," "sexual assault," or "stalking" in HUD's regulations at 24 CFR 5.2003.
- (2) A record of a Federal, State, tribal, territorial or local law enforcement agency, court, or administrative agency; or
- (3) At the discretion of the housing provider, a statement or other evidence provided by the applicant or tenant.

Submission of Documentation: The time period to submit documentation is 14 business days from the date that you receive a written request from your housing provider asking that you provide documentation of the occurrence of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Your housing provider may, but is not required to, extend the time period to submit the documentation, if you request an extension of the time period. If the requested information is not received within 14 business days of when you received the request for the documentation, or any extension of the date provided by your housing provider, your housing provider does not need to grant you any of the VAWA protections. Distribution or issuance of this form does not serve as a written request for certification.

Confidentiality: All information provided to your housing provider concerning the incident(s) of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking shall be kept confidential and such details shall not be entered into any shared database. Employees of your housing provider are not to have access to these details unless to grant or deny VAWA protections to you, and such employees may not disclose this information to any other entity or individual, except to the extent that disclosure is: (i) consented to by you in writing in a time-limited release; (ii) required for use in an eviction proceeding or hearing regarding termination of assistance; or (iii) otherwise required by applicable law.

**TO BE COMPLETED BY OR ON BEHALF OF THE VICTIM OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE,
DATING VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, OR STALKING**

1. Date the written request is received by victim: _____
2. Name of victim: _____
3. Your name (if different from victim's): _____
4. Name(s) of other family member(s) listed on the lease: _____

5. Residence of victim: _____
6. Name of the accused perpetrator (if known and can be safely disclosed): _____

7. Relationship of the accused perpetrator to the victim: _____
8. Date(s) and times(s) of incident(s) (if known): _____

10. Location of incident(s): _____

In your own words, briefly describe the incident(s):

This is to certify that the information provided on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and recollection, and that the individual named above in Item 2 is or has been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. I acknowledge that submission of false information could jeopardize program eligibility and could be the basis for denial of admission, termination of assistance, or eviction.

Signature _____ Signed on (Date) _____

Public Reporting Burden: The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1 hour per response. This includes the time for collecting, reviewing, and reporting the data. The information provided is to be used by the housing provider to request certification that the applicant or tenant is a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. The information is subject to the confidentiality requirements of VAWA. This agency may not collect this information, and you are not required to complete this form, unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget control number.

Programs Providing Services to Battered Women and Their Children

Statewide

Program	City	County(s) Served	Business	Crisis
Battered Women's Legal Advocacy Project	Minneapolis	Statewide	612-343-9842	800-313-2666
Day One		Statewide	866-223-1111	
Minnesota Coalition for Battered Women	St. Paul	Statewide	651-646-6177	800-289-6177
OutFront Minnesota	Minneapolis	Statewide	612-822-0127 x 101	800-800-0350

Twin Cities Metro Area: (Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott and Washington Counties)

Program	City	County(s) Served	Business	Crisis
African American Family Services	Minneapolis	Twin Cities Metro Area	612-813-0782	612-871-7878
*Alexandra House	Blaine	Anoka	763-780-2332	763-780-2330
*Asian Women United of Minnesota	St. Paul	Twin Cities Metro Area	651-646-2118	612-724-8823
Aurora Center	Minneapolis	University of Minnesota-Twin Cities	612-626-2929	612-626-9111
*B. Robert Lewis House - Community Action Council	Eagan	Dakota	651-452-7288	800-336-7233
*B. Robert Lewis House	Hastings	Dakota	651-437-1291	800-336-7233
Breaking Free	St. Paul	Twin Cities Metro Area	651-645-6557	651-645-6557
Brian Coyle Community Center: Immigrant Women's Advocacy Project	Minneapolis	Statewide	612-338-5282	
*Casa de Esperanza	St. Paul	Twin Cities Metro Area and Statewide	651-646-5553	651-772-1611
Centro Legal	St. Paul	Statewide	651-642-1890	
Chrysalis Center for Women	Minneapolis	Twin Cities Metro Area	612-871-0118	
Community/University Health Care Center	Minneapolis	Twin Cities Metro Area	612-638-0700	612-639-6363
*Cornerstone Advocacy Services	Bloomington	Hennepin	952-884-0376	952-884-0330
CSD of MN Deaf Domestic Violence Program	St. Paul	Twin Cities Metro Area	651-487-8867 (TTY)	
Deborah's Place	Richfield	Statewide, primarily Twin Cities	612-716-9553	612-716-9553
Division of Indian Work Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches	Minneapolis	Minneapolis	612-722-8722	
Domestic Abuse Project	Minneapolis	Hennepin	612-874-7063	612-874-7063
Domestic Abuse Project: Little Earth Advocacy Office	Minneapolis	Hennepin	612-728-5874	612-874-7063
Domestic Abuse Project: Minneapolis City Hall Advocacy Office	Minneapolis	Hennepin	612-673-3526	612-874-7063
Domestic Abuse Project: North Point Outreach Advocacy Project	Minneapolis	Hennepin	612-529-7477	612-874-7063
Fairview Domestic Abuse Services: Fairview Ridges Hospital	Burnsville	All surrounding Areas	952-892-2505	

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Program	City	County(s) Served	Business	Crisis
Fairview WomanKind-Fairview Southdale Hospital	Edina	Twin Cities Metro Area	952-924-5775	952-924-8200
Fairview WomanKind-Fairview University Hospital	Minneapolis	All surrounding Areas	612-672-2701	612-672-2700
Family & Children's Service-PRIDE Program	Minneapolis	Minneapolis, St. Paul	612-729-0340	612-728-2062
Freeport West, Inc.	Minneapolis	Twin Cities	612-824-3040	612-874-1936
Hennepin County Domestic Abuse Service Center	Minneapolis	Hennepin	612-348-5073	
Hennepin County Medical Center Domestic Violence Intervention Program	Minneapolis	Hennepin	612-873-2636	612-336-0850
*Home Free	Plymouth	Northwest Hennepin	763-559-9008	763-559-4945
Home Free Community Program	Plymouth	Northwest Hennepin	763-545-7080	763-559-4945
Immigrant Women's Advocacy Project	Minneapolis	Twin Cities Metro Area	612-338-5282	
International Self-Reliance Agency for Women	Minneapolis		612-692-8840	
Jewish Domestic Abuse Collaborative: Jewish Family Services of St. Paul	St. Paul	Twin Cities Metro Area	651-698-0767	
Korean Family Enrichment Program	Minneapolis	Statewide	612-342-1344	
Lighthouse Program- Ridgeview Medical Center	Waconia		952-442-2191	
Lighthouse Program- St. Francis Medical Center	Shakopee		952-403-2258	
Minnesota Indian Women's Resource Center	Minneapolis	Twin Cities Metro Area	612-728-2000	
Park Nicollet Health Services AdvoCare	St. Louis Park	Park Nicollet and Methodist Hospital patients, general community	952-993-6907	952-993-6670
Phyllis Wheatley Community Center	Minneapolis		612-374-4342	612-384-0804
Project PEACE	Brooklyn Center	Brooklyn Center, Maple Grove, Robbinsdale and Crystal	763-533-0733	763-536-1850
Safe Journey-North Memorial Hospital	Robbinsdale	North Memorial Hospital patients, Northwest Hennepin County suburbs, Northside Minneapolis	763-520-2639	763-520-7070
SEWA-AIFW (Asian Indian Family Wellness)	Fridley	Twin Cities	763-234-3491	763-234-3491
*Sojourner Project	Hopkins	West Hennepin	952-933-7433	952-933-7422
Sojourner Project-Community Advocacy Project	Hopkins	West Hennepin	952-935-1004	952-933-7422
Sojourner Project- Intervention Project	Hopkins	West Hennepin	952-935-7007	952-933-7422
Southern Valley Alliance for Battered Women	Belle Plaine	Scott and Carver	952-873-4214	952-873-4214
Southern Valley Alliance for Battered Women-Tm O.K Children's Visitation Center	Belle Plaine	All surrounding Areas	952-873-4216	
Southern Valley Alliance for Battered Women-Scott County	Belle Plaine	Scott	952-873-4233	952-873-4214

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Criminal Intervention				
St. Paul Domestic Abuse Intervention Project	St. Paul	St. Paul and Ramsey	651-645-2824	651-645-2824
*Tubman Family Alliance Anne Pierce Rogers Shelter	Cottage Grove	Hennepin, Ramsey, and Washington	612-768-0216	612-825-0000
*Tubman Family Alliance Harriet Tubman Shelter	Minneapolis	Hennepin, Ramsey, and Washington	612-825-3333	612-825-0000
Tubman Family Alliance Hennepin County Legal Program	Minneapolis	Hennepin, Ramsey, and Washington	612-673-2244	612-825-0000
*Tubman Family Alliance Hill Home	Lake Elmo	Hennepin, Ramsey, and Washington	651-653-6305	612-825-0000
Tubman Family Alliance	Minneapolis	Hennepin, Ramsey, and Washington	612-521-0240	612-825-0000
North Point Office	River Falls, WI	Pierce and St. Croix Counties in Wisconsin	715-425-6751	800-345-5104
*Turningpoint for Victims of Domestic/Sexual Violence	St. Paul	Twin Cities Metro Area	651-251-1603	651-222-5836
*Women of Nation's / Eagle's Nest Shelter, Community Advocacy Program	St. Paul	Twin Cities Metro Area	651-227-9966	651-227-8284
*Women's Advocates	St. Paul	Twin Cities Metro Area	651-227-9966	651-227-8284

Northeast Minnesota: Aitkin, Carlton, Cook, Itasca, Koochiching, Lake, Pine and St. Louis Counties

<u>Program</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>County(s) Served</u>	<u>Business</u>	<u>Crisis</u>
Advocates Against Domestic Abuse	Aitkin	Aitkin, and portions of surrounding Area	218-927-2327	800-950-1242
Advocates for Family Peace	Grand Rapids	Itasca	218-326-0388	800-442-8565
*American Indian Community Housing Organization	Duluth	All Areas	218-722-7225	218-722-2247
Dabinoogan Shelter	Nett Lake	Bois Forte Reservation	218-757-0111	866-362-2982
Bois Forte Victim Services	Grand Marais	Cook	218-387-3669	
Cook County Attorney's Office General Crime Victim Services				
Domestic Abuse Intervention Project	Duluth	St. Louis and Carlton	218-722-2781	
Fond du Lac Reservation	Cloquet	Fond du Lac Reservation	218-879-1227	218-348-1817
Friends Against Abuse	International Falls	Koochiching	218-285-7220	866-778-6059
Grand Portage Reservation Tribal Council	Grand Portage	Grand Portage Reservation	218-475-2453	218-387-3030
North Shore Horizons	Two Harbors	Lake and Cook	218-834-5924	800-834-5923
Range Women's Advocates	Virginia	Northern St. Louis County (exclusive of Duluth area)	218-749-5054	800-345-5054
Rural Women's Advocates (Carlton County Sexual and Domestic	Carlton	Carlton	218-384-8927	218-384-8927

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Abuse Program)				
*Safe Haven Shelter for Battered Women	Duluth	St. Louis County and surrounding area	218-728-6481	218-728-6481
Violence Prevention Center	Grand Marais	Cook	218-387-1262	218-387-1237
WINDOW	Hinckley	Pine and Kanabec	320-384-7113	800-644-0003

Northwest Minnesota: Becker, Beltrami, Cass, Clay, Clearwater, Hubbard, Kitson, Lake of the Woods, Mahanomen, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, and Roseau Counties

<u>Program</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>County(s) Served</u>	<u>Business</u>	<u>Crisis</u>
Community Resource Alliance	Detroit Lakes	White Earth Reservation and surrounding areas	218-844-5762	
Community Violence Intervention Center	Grand Forks, ND	East Grand Forks, MN, surrounding areas and Grand Forks County, ND	701-746-0405	701-746-8900
Crisis Resource Center	Baudette	Lake of the Woods	218-634-3233	218-634-3134
Down On Violence Everyday (DOVE) White Earth Tribal Victim Services	Nay-tahwaush	White Earth Reservation, Becker, Clearwater, Mahanomen	218-935-5554	800-543-0629
*Equay Wiganig (Women's Shelter)	Red Lake	Red Lake Reservation, Beltrami	218-679-3443	800-943-8997
Family Advocacy Center of Northern Minnesota	Bemidji	14 counties and 3 reservations in northern Minnesota	218-333-6011	
Family Safety Network of Cass County	Walker	Cass	218-547-1636	800-324-8151
Headwaters Intervention Center	Park Rapids	Clearwater and Hubbard	218-732-7413	800-939-2199
Headwaters Intervention Center	Bagley	Clearwater and surrounding area	218-694-2831	888-551-6572
Family Crisis Center				
Lakes Crisis and Resource Center	Detroit Lakes	Becker	218-847-8572	218-847-7446
Leech Lake Family Violence Program	Cass Lake	Leech Lake Reservation, Beltrami, Cass and Itasca	218-335-8070	877-766-0977
Mahnomen County Sheriff's Victim-Witness Service	Mahnomen	Mahnomen	218-935-9319	800-474-9319 800-435-4119 evenings/ weekends

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Program	City	County(s) Served	Business	Crisis
Marshall County Sheriff's Department Marshall/Kittson Victim Assistance Program	Warren	Marshall	218-843-8080	
Migrant Health Service Hispanic Battered Women and Children's Program	Crookston	Clay, Kittson, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, and Wilkin	218-281-3552	800-342-7756
Migrant Health Service	Moorhead	Clay, Kittson, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, and Wilkin Counties	218-236-4879	800-556-9661
Mujeres Unidas del Red River Valley	Moorhead		218-236-9884	
*Northwoods Coalition for Battered Women	Bemidji	Beltrami, Cass, Clearwater, Hubbard, Lake of the Woods and Mahnommen	218-444-1393	800-588-6229
Norman County Victim Assistance Program	Ada	Norman	877-233-5642	800-510-9967
Pennington/Red Lake County Victim Services	Thief River Falls	Pennington and Red Lake	218-681-0773	
Polk County Attorney's Office Coordinated Victim Services	Crookston	Polk	218-281-4347	877-625-8092
Rape and Abuse Crisis Center of Fargo-Moorhead	Fargo, ND	Clay and Norman	701-293-7273	800-344-7273
Roseau County Victim Services	Roseau	Roseau	218-463-4215	877-302-8075
*Violence Intervention Project	Thief River Falls	Pennington, Polk, Kittson, Marshall, Norman, Red Lake, and Roseau	218-681-5557	800-660-6667
Women's Network of the Red River Valley	Moorhead	Red River Valley	218-233-2737	

Central Minnesota: Benton, Big Stone, Chisago, Crow Wing, Douglas, Grant, Isanti, Kandiyohi, Kanabec, Meeker, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Otter Tail, Pope, Sherburne, Sibley, Stearns, Stevens, Swift, Todd, Traverse, Wadena, Wilkin, and Wright Counties

Program	City	County(s) Served	Business	Crisis
*Annamarie's Alliance	St. Cloud	Stearns, Benton, Sherburne, Wright, Mille Lacs, Isanti, Kanabec, Chisago and Pine	320-253-6900	800-950-2203
Advocacy for Victims of Abuse	Buffalo	Wright	612-839-8459	763-682-1470
Hands of Hope Resource Center	Little Falls	Morrison	320-632-1657	888-454-4878
Hands of Hope Resource Center	Long Prairie	Todd	320-732-2319	800-682-4547
WINGS	Alexandria	Douglas	320-763-6638	800-854-9001
*Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Women's Project	Mille Lacs Reservation	Mille Lacs Reservation and all other areas	320-495-3517	866-867-4006
Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Women's Project--District I	Onamia	Mille Lacs, Crow Wing, and	320-532-7396	877-290-2677

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Program	City	County(s) Served	Business	Crisis
Advocate		Kanabec		
*Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Women's Project-District II Advocate	McGregor	Mille Lacs Reservation and all other areas	218-768-4412	866-867-4006
Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Women's Project--District III Advocate	Sandstone	Pine, Carlton, Isanti, Burnett and Polk	320-384-0149	877-229-2678
Pearl Crisis Center	Milaca	Mille Lacs	320-982-2901	800-933-6914
The Refuge Network	Cambridge	Isanti	763-689-3532	800-338-7233
The Refuge Network-The Refuge East	Chicago City	Chicago	651-257-2890	800-338-7233
The Refuge Network-The Refuge North	Mora	Kanabec	320-679-1737	800-338-7233
Rivers of Hope	Monticello	Wright and Sherburne	763-295-3433	763-295-3433
*Shelter House	Willmar	18 county area in Southwest Minnesota. Community collaboration for Chippewa, Kandiyohi, Lac Qui Parle, Meeker, Renville and Swift	320-235-0475	866-223-1111
Shelter House: Swift County Outreach	Benson	Swift	320-842-3206	866-223-1111
Shelter House: Swift County Intervention Project	Benson	Swift	320-842-3207	866-223-1111
*Someplace Safe	Fergus Falls	Big Stone, Grant, Otter Tail, Pope, Stevens, Traverse, and Wilkin	218-739-3486	800-974-3359
Someplace Safe: Big Stone	Ortonville	Big Stone	320-839-2331	800-974-3359
Someplace Safe: Douglas	Alexandria	Douglas	320-762-1995	800-974-3359
Someplace Safe: Fergus Falls Parenting Time Center	Fergus Falls	All surrounding areas	218-739-3132	800-974-3359
Someplace Safe: Glenwood	Glenwood	Pope	320-634-3483	800-974-3359
Someplace Safe: Grant	Elbow Lake	Grant	218-685-4203	800-974-3359
Someplace Safe: Otter Tail Criminal Justice Intervention	Fergus Falls	Otter Tail	218-739-2853	800-974-3359
Someplace Safe: Perham	Perham	Otter Tail	218-346-7276	800-974-3359
Someplace Safe: Stevens	Morris	Stevens	320-589-3208	800-974-3359
Someplace Safe: Traverse	Wheaton	Traverse	320-563-4121	800-974-3359
Someplace Safe: Wilkin	Breckenridge	Wilkin	218-643-3109	800-974-3359
*Women's Center of Mid-Minnesota	Brainerd	Crow Wing and surrounding areas	218-828-1216	888-777-1248

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Southeast Minnesota: Dodge, Goodhue, Fillmore, Freeborn, Houston, Le Sueur, Mower, Olmstead, Rice, Steele, Wabasha, Waseca, and Winona Counties

Program	City	County(s) Served	Business	Crisis
CADA: LeSueur/Sibley County Victim Services	Gaylord	Sibley	507-237-5977	800-477-0466
CADA: Waseca County Victim Services	Waseca		507-835-7828	800-477-0466
Crime Victims Resource Center	Austin	Mower	507-437-6680	507-437-6680
Crisis Resource Center of Steele County	Owatonna	Steele	507-451-1202	800-451-1202
Fillmore Family Resources	Preston	Fillmore	507-765-2316	800-500-2316
Freeborn County Crime Victim's Crisis Center	Albert Lea	Freeborn	507-377-5460	507-373-2223
HOPE Center	Faribault	Rice and surrounding areas	507-332-0882	800-607-2330
Houston County Women's Resources	Hokah	Houston	507-894-2676	866-367-4297
LeSueur County Victim/Witness Program	LeCenter	LeSueur	507-357-8512	800-477-0466
Mayo Clinic Social Services	Rochester	Mayo Clinic patients	507-266-8389	
*Red Wing Area Coalition for Transitional Housing	Red Wing	Goodhue and surrounding areas	651-388-9360 ext. 11	800-369-5214
Women's Resource Center of Winona	Winona	Winona	507-452-4440	507-452-4453
*Women's Shelter, Inc.	Rochester	Southeastern Minnesota	507-285-1938	507-285-1010

Southwest Minnesota: Blue Earth, Brown, Cottonwood, Chippewa, Faribault, Jackson, Lac Qui Parle, Lincoln, Lyon, Martin, McLeod, Murray, Nicollet, Nobles, Pipestone, Redwood, Renville, Rock, Sibley, Watonwan, and Yellow Medicine Counties

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*Committee Against Domestic Abuse	Mankato	Blue Earth, Faribault, LeSueur, Nicollet, Sibley, and Waseca	507-625-8688	800-477-0466
Committee Against Domestic Abuse-Faribault County Victim Services	Blue Earth	Faribault	507-526-5275	800-477-0466
Committee Against Domestic Abuse-LeSueur/Sibley County Victim Services	Gaylord	LeSueur and Sibley	507-237-5977	800-477-0466
Committee Against Domestic Abuse-Waseca County Victim Services	Waseca	Waseca	507-835-7828	800-477-0466
Committee Against Domestic Abuse-Watonwan County Victim Services	St. James	Watonwan	507-375-3040	800-477-0466
Crime Victim Services, Inc.	New Ulm	Brown, Nicollet and Sibley	507-233-6664	800-630-1425
McLeod Alliance for Victims of Domestic Violence	Hutchinson	McLeod County and surrounding areas	320-234-7933	320-234-7933
Shelter House: Chippewa and Lac Qui Parle County Outreach	Montevideo	Chippewa & Lac Qui Parle	320-269-2140	866-223-1111

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Shelter House: Renville County Outreach	Olivia	Renville	320-523-1015	866-223-1111
Southwest Crisis Center	Worthington	Nobles	507-376-4311	800-376-4311
Southwest Crisis Center- Jackson	Jackson	Jackson	507-847-4202	800-376-4311
Southwest Crisis Center- Luverne	Luverne	Rock	507-283-9917	800-376-4311
Southwest Crisis Center- PEACE Agency	Windom	Cottonwood	507-831-2244	800-376-4311
Southwest Crisis Center- Pipestone	Pipestone	Pipestone	507-825-5688	800-376-4311
Women's Rural Advocacy Programs- Lincoln/Lyon County and Criminal Justice Investigation	Marshall	Lincoln and Lyon	507-532-9532	800-639-2350
Women's Rural Advocacy Programs- Redwood County	Redwood Falls	Redwood	507-637-3056	888-637-3040
Women's Rural Advocacy Programs-Yellow Medicine County	Granite Falls	Yellow Medicine	320-564-2524	800-295-2422

If you answer yes to any of the following questions, please ask your child's health care provider for a blood lead test

Y	N	Does your child live in or regularly visit a home or day care built before 1978?
Y	N	Does your child have a family member or playmate who has had lead exposure?
Y	N	Does your child chew or eat non-food items such as dirt, paint chips, chalk, crayons, or woodwork?
Y	N	Does anyone in the household have a job or hobby that uses lead?
Y	N	Is your child eligible for MinnesotaCare, or Medical Assistance?

Blood Lead Testing Information

Your health care provider can test your child's blood for lead.
Contact your local public health office for more information about how to keep your child lead-safe.

Resources

More information on lead and how to safely make repairs in homes built before 1978:
<http://www.health.state.mn.us/lead>

For information on recalls of toys and other children's products, visit:
<http://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/>



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For more information please contact us at:
Phone: 651-201-4620
Or visit our website at:
<http://www.health.state.mn.us/lead>

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Childhood Lead Exposure

Are Your Kids at Risk?



What is lead?

Lead is a heavy metal that should not be found in the body. Lead in the body can cause serious health problems. The good news is that lead exposure can be prevented.

How does lead enter the body?

Lead can pass from a mother to her baby during pregnancy. Toddlers and young children explore the world around them by putting objects into their mouths; this puts them at risk for swallowing lead dust.

There is NO safe blood lead level.

Most common source of lead

Lead is no longer in gasoline or paint, but it may still be found in older homes built before 1978, especially in paint, dust, and soil.

Lead dust is currently the main source of lead exposure among children. Opening and closing windows painted with lead-based paint is a major source of lead dust. Children can breathe in or swallow the lead dust.

Keeping kids safe

- If your home was built before 1978 and has chipped or peeling paint, make repairs using safe work practices. More information can be found on the MDH website
- Wash children's hands, pacifiers, and toys often to remove dust
- Regularly wet-wash floors, window sills, and places where children play
- Have children play on grass instead of bare dirt
- Take shoes off when entering a home to avoid tracking in soil that may contain lead
- If you work with lead in your job or hobby, change clothes and shower before you go home

Other possible sources

Some imported candies and toys contain lead. For information on products that may contain lead, contact the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) or the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC).

Some imported pottery and handmade ceramics contain lead in the glaze. Only use pottery for cooking or storing food if you are sure it does not contain lead.

Some water pipes contain lead. When using tap water for drinking, cooking, or baby formula:

1. Run COLD water for at least 60 seconds before using
2. Then heat water as needed



Possible effects of lead exposure

- Brain, kidney, and liver damage
- Slowed growth
- Decreased coordination
- Aggressive behavior
- Shortened attention span
- Lower intelligence
- Reading or other learning problems

Children who were exposed to lead often look healthy. The only way to know if you or your child has been exposed to lead is to have a blood lead test done.