

# CRISIS & INFORMATION LINES

Trained staff provide counseling, information, referrals, and access to immediate shelter.



DVS provides 24-hour hotlines in: South County: **805.964.5245** North County: **805.925.2160** 

# HOUSING ASSISTANCE

This year, DVS converted its Second Stage facility to **permanent project-based Section 8 housing** for 15 domestic violence survivors and their families.

Additionally, the **Domestic Violence Housing First** program offers temporary financial assistance, case management, career development, and financial literacy training, which prepares families to re-enter the housing market successfully.



### JOB & LIFE SKILLS

The Job & Life Skills Coordinator helps with the following:

- Resume writing and interviewing
- Growing knowledge about financial safety and wellness
- Looking for work and new careers
- Planning financially in order to leave debt behind and planning for the future



# COMMUNITY OUTREACH & EDUCATION

DVS provides education and outreach activities

throughout the county. Together with a team of volunteers, DVS participates in community events, conducts the State of California 40-Hour

Domestic Violence Training, and provides interactive teen education in schools and community organizations.



### EMERGENCY SHELTER

Survivors and their children may stay in one of our two confidential emergency shelters for up to **60 days**. While in our shelters, they receive emotional support, food, clothing, goal planning assistance, advocacy for medical, legal and financial resources, along with any other information and referrals they may need.

#### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (DVERT)

DVS advocates respond with law enforcement to **domestic violence 911 calls** and provide victims with support, advocacy, and access to safe, confidential shelter.



# THERAPY & COUNSELING

DVS offers **individual**, **group**, **child**, **and family counseling** for emergency shelter and non-residential clients. In addition, community support groups are offered. **Drop-in and consultation services** are now available to the public, free of charge.



# ABOUT DVS

Domestic Violence Solutions (DVS) for Santa Barbara County's mission is to provide **safety, shelter and support** for individuals and families affected by domestic violence and collaborate with community partners to raise awareness regarding the cause, prevalence and impact.

DVS is Santa Barbara County's only full-service provider of **24-hour emergency shelter and services** for survivors of domestic violence.