DOVE Programs

Supportive Counseling Services 617-770-4065 ext. 300
Please leave your name and a safe number and we will return your call within 24-48 hours.

DOVE offers supportive counseling, crisis intervention, risk assessment and safety planning, support processing assistance, navigating social service systems to survivors of domestic violence.

Support Groups 617-770-4065 ext. 300
Please leave your name and a safe number and we will return your call within 24-48 hours.

DOVE offers support groups where participants can increase knowledge about domestic violence, gain healthy coping skills, and make connections with other survivors. Groups are organized based on interest and availability.

Chinese Advocacy & Outreach Services 617-770-4065 ext. 304
DOVE offers culturally-specific advocacy services to survivors in the Chinese community. Services are offered in Mandarin and English.

LGBTQ+ Advocacy & Outreach Services Counseling Services and Support Groups 617-770-4065 ext. 300

LGBTQ+ Specific Training and Workshops 617-770-4065 ext. 302
DOVE offers identity-specific counseling services which are affirming and knowledgeable about the unique changes faced by LGBTQ+ survivors, as well as LGBTQ+-specific trainings and workshops for providers and members of the community.

Civilian Domestic Violence Advocate Program

A DOVE Advocate is based in multiple communities in Norfolk County working with those experiencing domestic violence in their relationships who are identified through police reports and other referrals. They offer assistance with safety planning, emotional support, restraining orders, and a variety of other advocacy services. Advocates work closely with police officers on the response to domestic violence in their communities and provide support in two District Courts on domestic violence issues.

Braintree, Quincy & Weymouth: 617-653-4226
Holbrook, Milton & Randolph: 617-831-8326
(Haitian Creole Language Supported)

Dedham & Norwood: 857-939-3058

DOVE offers individual counseling, individual parenting support, parenting support groups, child/teen support groups and child advocacy services.

Legal Advocacy 617-770-4065 ext. 400
Please leave your name and a safe number and we will return your call within 24-48 hours.

DOVE’s attorneys are trained in providing trauma-informed, client-centered services to survivors of domestic violence and human trafficking. Staff attorneys provide representation, legal advice, and information to survivors in the areas of family law, immigration, restraining orders, housing and benefits, and criminal record relief matters. DOVE’s attorneys also provide court outreach at Norfolk Probate and Family Court and Quincy District Court.

Emergency Shelter 617-471-1234
Temporary refuge for adults and their children in a caring, confidential environment. While in shelter, survivors receive support, advocacy, case management, legal assistance, and children’s services.

24-Hour Anonymous Hotline 617-471-1234
A professional team of staff provides support and crisis intervention to individuals impacted by domestic violence and to family, friends, and neighbors concerned about a loved one.

Community Outreach, Education, and Prevention 617-770-4065 ext. 500
DOVE offers presentations, workshops, and trainings on a range of topics for community service providers, churches, schools and youth programs, colleges and universities, healthcare providers, businesses and civic groups. DOVE also conducts a 35-hour comprehensive training on domestic violence and related issues twice annually.

All of DOVE’s services have full language support through the use of interpreters.

Mission
Hope, healing, safety, social change. Working together to end domestic and partner violence.

Vision
A community united in peace, justice, and equity, for the safety and well-being of every individual.

Statement of Affirmation & Welcome
DOVE welcomes refugee and immigrant survivors both documented and undocumented; people with disabilities; people who are D/deaf or hard of hearing; BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and other People of Color); LGTBQ, Trans, and Non-Binary individuals; people of all religion and faith beliefs; and individuals whose first language is not English.

DOVE welcomes people of all identities, including those not named.
Human trafficking is compelled service

Myth: Traffickers kidnap their victims
Reality: Traffickers often exploit people they already know -- intimate partners, family members, employees, tenants

Myth: Traffickers always physically abuse their victims
Reality: Traffickers frequently use manipulation, threats, and lies to coerce victims into compliance

Myth: Traffickers kidnap their victims
Reality: Traffickers rarely target victims they don’t know. Many survivors are trafficked by people they know – romantic partners, family members, employers, landlords, acquaintances, etc.

Traffickers find individuals with attributes or vulnerabilities able to be exploited

Then they can:
• Isolate them from their support systems
• Control their travel, finances, housing, etc.
• Harm or threaten to harm loved ones
• Use physical, verbal, emotional, and sexual abuse
• Use debt as a means of control
• Take their identification documents
• Threaten to call law enforcement or immigration services

8 Questions
1. Have you ever accepted a job and then came to find out the job either didn’t exist or was very different from what you were told it would be?
2. Has someone ever asked you to do things that you didn’t want to do in order to repay them for something they did for you (e.g. asking for sexual favors to repay them for providing you transportation, money, or a place to stay)?
3. Have you ever felt like you had to stay at a job that was unfair, unsafe, or dangerous because if you left, someone might hurt you or someone you love?
4. Has anyone ever taken your identification or travel documents from you and kept them where you couldn’t access them?
5. Has anyone you worked for or spent time with* prevented you from contacting friends or family? Or stopped you from going where you want when you want?
6. Has anyone you worked for or spent time with told you where you have to live or stopped you from living somewhere they didn’t like?
7. Has anyone ever told you to lie about the kind of work you do?
8. Has anyone ever hurt or threatened you or someone you love in order to force you to do something to make them money or pay off a debt?

*This phrase could describe an intimate partner, familial, roommate, or any other relationship.

Where does human trafficking exist in our community?

• Personal sexual servitude
• Domestic work
• Residential sex trafficking
• Restaurant industry
• In-home healthcare
• Commercial cleaning services
• Nail & hair salons
• Remote sex acts
• Revenge porn
• Hospitality, and more

Common needs of trafficking survivors

• Restraining or No Abuse Orders
• Immigration Relief
• Family Law – Divorce, Custody
• Criminal Record Relief
• Counseling
• Mentorship or Community Support
• Victim Witness Advocacy
• Housing
• Education
• Employment
• Medical

If you think you may have been trafficked or are interested in receiving services, call 617.770.4065 ext. 400.

DOVE Trainings and Presentations

DOVE’s Human Trafficking Legal Advocacy Services offer specific legal remedies to those who have experienced trafficking.

Is your organization, agency, or club looking for more information?

Trainings and presentations DOVE provides include:
• Human Trafficking 101
• Intersection between Domestic Violence and Human Trafficking
• T Visas and other Immigration Relief for Survivors
• Criminal Record Relief for Survivors

If you have questions about human trafficking, are interested in a training, please call DOVE’s Legal Advocacy Program at: 617.770.4065 ext. 400.