

**VOLUNTEER INFORMATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

D.O.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate which municipality you are interested in responding to within Passaic County?  
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This information may be shared with the Domestic Violence Liaison Officer of the municipality you indicated in the above question.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail this to the attention of:

DVRT Specialist  
Passaic County Women's Center  
P.O. Box 244  
Paterson, NJ 07543

**If you have further questions about Passaic County Domestic Violence Response Teams, please contact:**

Passaic County Women's Center  
Domestic Violence Response Team  
Specialist 973-881-0725

You may also contact the Domestic Violence Liaison Officer from:

Bloomington Police Dept. 973-838-0158

Clifton Police Dept. 973-470-5920

Little Falls Police Dept. 973-256-0200

Haledon Police Dept. 973-790-4444

Hawthorne Police Dept. 973-427-1800

North Haledon Police Dept. 973-423-1111

Passaic Police Dept. 973-365-3900

Paterson Police Dept. 973-321-1111

Pompton Lakes Police Dept. 973-835-0400

Prospect Park Police Dept. 973-790-7900

Ringwood Police Dept. 973-962-7017

Totowa Police Dept. 973-790-3700

Wanaque Police Dept. 973-835-5600

Wayne Police Dept. 973-694-0600

Woodland Park Police Dept. 973-345-8111

West Milford Police Dept. 973-728-2800

**Passaic  
County  
Domestic  
Violence  
Response  
Teams**

**Passaic County  
Women's Center**

PO Box 244  
Paterson, NJ 07543

Domestic Violence Program  
Sexual Assault Program

24 Hour Hotline: 973-881-1450

Outreach office:  
1027 Madison Avenue  
Paterson, NJ 07501  
973-881-0725

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## WHAT IS A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESPONSE TEAM?

The initial experience of a victim of Domestic Violence often determines whether he or she will continue to seek help to escape the cycle of violence in their lives.

A Domestic Violence Response Team provides a variety of services to victims and witnesses of domestic violence and sexual assault. The volunteers participate in a forty-hour training program to prepare them as DVRT members.

### Domestic Violence is a Crime...

There are laws in place to protect victims:

Domestic Violence is also called 'spouse abuse', 'battering', 'intimate partner abuse' or 'family violence' and comprises different kinds of abusive behaviors between people in previous or ongoing relationships.

It includes the use of tactics which are physically, emotionally, and/or sexually harmful or threatening to a person's well being.

- \*Harassment & intimidation
- \*Emotional Abuse
- \*Isolation
- \*Stalking
- \*Forcing sexual activity without consent
- \*Physical Assault – punching, slapping, hitting, choking, biting, kicking, etc.
- \*Restraining or confining someone against his/her will

The goals of the Domestic Violence Response Team Members are:

1. Provide information and a safe and confidential environment to victims of Domestic Violence by working with the local Police Departments, the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office, and Passaic County Women's Center.

*"Treat people as though they were what they ought to be and you help them become what they are capable of being." Goethe*

2. Teach awareness whenever and wherever we can, helping people to understand what Domestic Violence is and why each of us should lend support to those involved in these relationships in order to end the cycle. Speakers are available to address this issue at your organizational meetings- just notify our office at the phone number listed.

*"What we live for, if not to make the world less difficult for each other." George Elliot*

3. Promote peace and harmony in all relationships. Volunteers are always welcome to join our team.

*"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." Margaret Mead*

*"How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world." Anne Frank*

## PCWC services include:

- \*Crisis intervention
  - \*Safety for the Victim
  - \*Provide a Safety Plan
  - \*Emergency Shelter
  - \*Emergency Clothing/Food
  - \*Hospital Accompaniment
  - \*Law Enforcement Accompaniment
- \*Education
  - \*Educate victims/survivors on laws
  - \*Explain Legal Rights
  - \*Notify of existing services available in the community
- \*Legal Advocacy
  - \*Assisting with Restraining Orders
  - \*Review DV Law
  - \*Assist the Victim in finding legal advice and referrals
  - \*VCCO (Victims of Crime Compensation Office)
- \*Counseling
  - \*24-Hour Confidential Hotline
  - \*Connect with outreach services
  - \*Crisis counseling for Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault
  - \*Support for friends & family
- \*Follow Up
  - \*Follow up with victim/survivor
  - \*Make sure victim/survivor is safe & has all needed referrals