## NJCASA SEXUAL **VIOLENCE AGENCIES:**

(By county)

Atlantic: Rape Crisis Services, Atlantic County Women's Center

Bergen: Rape Care Program, YWCA of Bergen County

**Burlington:** Sexual Assault Services, CONTACT of **Burlington County** 

Camden: Services Empowering the Rights of Victims, Center for Family Services

Cape May: Coalition Against Rape and Abuse

**Cumberland:** Services Empowering the Rights

of Victims, Center for Family Services

Essex: Rape Care Program, Family Service League

**Gloucester:** Services Empowering the Rights of Victims, Center for Family Services

**Hudson:** Rape Crisis Center, Christ Hospital

Counseling Center

**Hunterdon:** SAFE in Hunterdon

Mercer: Sexual Assault Support Services,

Womanspace

Middlesex: Rape Crisis Intervention Center, Middlesex County Public Health Dept.

Monmouth: Victim Support Program, 180 Turning

Lives Around

Morris: Sexual Assault Center, Morristown

Memorial Hospital

Ocean: Sexual Abuse and Assault Program,

St. Francis Counseling Service

Passaic: Sexual Assault Program, Passaic County

Women's Center

**Salem:** Salem County Women's Services

Somerset: Sexual Assault Support Services, Women's Health and Counseling Center

Sussex: Domestic Abuse and Sexual Assault

Intervention Services

**Union:** Rape Crisis Center

Warren: Domestic Abuse and Sexual Assault

Crisis Center

**Rutgers University:** Office for Violence Prevention and Victim Assistance

#### **NJCASA TRAINS:**

- Curricula for law enforcement on survivorcentered responses to sexual assault
- Media literacy curriculum on media messages that affect social norms
- Training Institute workshops for service providers, prevention practitioners and the public
- Customized presentations

### **NJCASA PROMOTES PREVENTION:**

- Bystander programs designed for high schools and colleges
- Connecting risk factors in common with child abuse, bullying, gang violence, and domestic violence
- Statewide survey on social and gender norms
- Customized curriculum on media's. influence on sexual violence

**A Survivor is...** a middle-aged teacher who as a child was sexually assaulted by a family friend. He had never told anyone about the assault and had previously attempted suicide. With the support of the sexual violence program, he was able to get into therapy and start to deal with the trauma of his childhood assault.

#### **Everyone Can Prevent** Sexual Violence

- Be an active bystander to prevent violence.
- Challenge sexualized media messages.
- Promote gender equity and healthy relationships.

**The mission** of the New Jersey Coalition Against Sexual Assault (NJCASA) is to promote the compassionate and just treatment of survivors and their loved ones; foster collaborative relationships between community systems; and affect attitudinal and behavioral changes in society as we work toward the elimination of sexual violence against all people.

#### **CELEBRATING OUR 30-YEAR ANNIVERSARY IN 2011**

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#### **2011 Events:**

April 2: Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) 5k Kick-off Walk—Trenton

April 28: Denim Day—Statewide

September 24: Gala Celebration— Moorestown

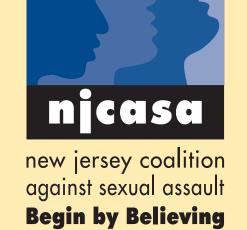
#### **CONTACT NJCASA:** GET INFORMATION, VOLUNTEER, DONATE

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#### **NJCASA**

2333 Whitehorse Mercerville Rd., Ste. J Trenton, NJ 08619

24-hour Statewide Hotline: 1-800-601-7200



Compassionate and just treatment for survivors

Collaborative partnerships

Prevention of sexual violence

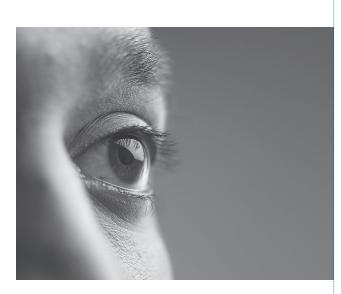
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#### **NJCASA LEADS:**

- Best practices for intervention and prevention strategies
- Model programs for survivors with developmental disabilities and mental illness
- Statewide AmeriCorps program to increase civic engagement, volunteerism, and advocacy
- College Consortium to strengthen services and prevention on campuses

# Perpetrators Are Generally Not Strangers

- Survivors know their perpetrators in over 84% of sexual violence cases.
- 1 in 6 females and 1 in 33 males are sexually assaulted during their lifetime.
- More than 65% of survivors are assaulted before the age of 18.
- Lesbian, gay, and bisexual individuals are sexually assaulted at the same rate as heterosexuals.
- Transgendered individuals are at higher risk for sexual violence victimization.

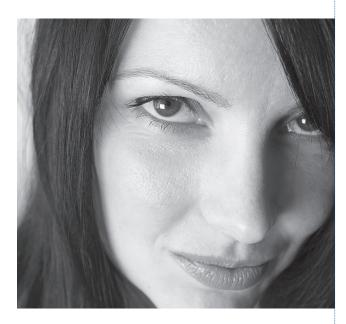


#### **NJCASA EMPOWERS:**

- Emergency funding for survivors through Teresa's Truth & Courage Fund
- Grants, technical assistance and training for service providers
- Statewide hotline for survivors and their loved ones
- Translation for non-English speaking individuals

### 1 in 4 Women on College Campuses Are Sexually Assaulted

A Survivor is... a teenager who was drugged at a party. When she woke up she was surrounded by several men. She escaped and called a crisis hotline. An advocate supported her at the hospital during the forensic exam and police interview. The advocate connected the girl and her family to counseling and other resources.



#### **NJCASA ADVOCATES:**

- Survivor-centered public policy and legislation at national, state and county levels
- Denim Day awareness activities
- Informed media coverage of sexual violence in New Jersey
- Culturally competent and accessible services

## Few Report Sexual Violence to Police

- Only 15% of sexual assualts are reported to the police.
- People with developmental disabilities are 4 to 10 times more likely to be sexually assaulted than other people.
- 25% of inmates are sexually assaulted in prison.
- Over 50% of women receiving inpatient mental health services are sexually assaulted.

A Survivor is... a young woman with a developmental disability who was being abused by her foster father. An advocate met the client at the local emergency room and supported the young woman, who eventually disclosed that her foster father was sexually abusing her. She was removed from the foster home and action was taken against the foster father.



#### **GET INVOLVED:**

Your support, through tax-deductible donations and volunteering, makes it possible for NJCASA to work on behalf of survivors of sexual violence throughout New Jersey.



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