Taking Care of Self

Helplines & Online Resources

Kent State SRVSS 330.672.8016
Sexual & Relationship Violence Support Services
www.kent.edu/srvss

24 HOUR HELPLINES & WEBSITES

Townhall II (Portage County Rape Crisis Center)
www.townhall2.com 330.678.4357

Safer Futures Hotline 330.673.2500

Kent State’s Nurse Line (Medical questions and care)
330.672.2326

RAINN (Rape, Abuse and Incest Nation Network)
www.rainn.org 1.800.656.4673

National Domestic Violence Hotline
www.thehotline.org 1.800.799.7233

Resource center and support for male survivors
www.malesurvivor.org

Resources for LGBTQ survivors
www.bravo-ohio.org

Your Rights

The "Campus Sexual Assault Victims' Bill of Rights" was enacted in 1992 by the US Congress. This law requires that all colleges and universities (both public and private) participating in federal student aid programs afford sexual assault victims certain basic rights.

- Survivors shall be informed of their options to notify law enforcement.
- Survivors shall be notified of counseling services.
- Survivors shall be notified of options for changing academic and living situations.
- Both parties must have the same opportunity to have others present during any investigation or hearing process.
- Both parties shall be informed of the outcome of any disciplinary proceeding.

*Adapted from RAINN.org

Support Services

In Case of Sexual Violence

Sexual violence or power-based personal violence comes in many different forms. Below are general definitions* for the most common forms.

- **Sexual Assault**
  Sexual assault involves sexual contact without a person’s consent. It includes acts from unwanted touching and fondling to attempted or completed rape. Sexual assault occurs when a person is unable to consent; through force, threats, intimidation or being physically or mentally incapacitated. Alcohol or drug intoxication can produce such a state of incapacitation.

- **Rape**
  Rape is sexual intercourse without a person’s consent. It includes vaginal, anal or oral penetration with either a body part or an object.

- **Relationship Violence/Abuse**
  Sometimes called intimate partner violence, relationship violence/abuse is controlling, aggressive or abusive behavior in an intimate relationship. Relationship violence can involve one or more types of abuse, including emotional, physical, or sexual abuse.

- **Stalking**
  Stalking is a series of actions that make a person feel afraid or in danger. It can be done by someone the victim knows well or not at all; the majority of stalkers, however, are people known to the victims.

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Office of Student Conduct
330.672.2212
www.kent.edu/studentconduct
Provides investigative and victim support services for sexual violence related incidents and are available to discuss reporting options.

Title IX is a federal law that prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex including sexual harassment and sexual misconduct. If you have experienced any form of sexual violence, you have the right to file a complaint with the university.

Following an investigation through Title IX incidents involving a student respondent may be forwarded to the Office of Student Conduct for a hearing.

Genex-based Discrimination - Title IX Coordinator
330.672.2038
www.kent.edu/sss
Located in Heer Hall

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The SRVSS Office (pronounced “serves”) provides a safe space for anyone who has experienced sexual violence (including sexual assault, intimate partner/relationship violence and stalking) to access resources, get support when participating in a criminal or conduct process and navigate support within the campus community. The office is open to all students, faculty and staff.

Williamson House (1200 E. Main St.—Kent Campus)
srvss@kent.edu

Confidential Counseling
Psychological Services
330.672.2487
www.kent.edu/uhs/psych
Primary counseling resource for students. Victims of sexual violence will receive services regardless of ability to pay.

Counseling and Human Development Center
330.672.2208
www.kent.edu/ehhs/centers/chdc
Provides counseling services in individual and group settings by master’s and doctoral students under the supervision of licensed clinical counselors.

The Psychological Clinic
330.672.2372
www.kent.edu/psychology/psychological-clinic
Provides counseling for a wide range of issues, including sexual violence, by master’s and doctoral students under the close supervision of licensed psychologists.

Townhall II
330.678.4357
www.townhall2.com
Rape Crisis Center for Portage County: provides crisis intervention, counseling, victims’ advocacy services.

University Health Services
330.672.2322
www.kent.edu/uhhs
Provides medical services to victims of sexual violence, regardless of ability to pay, including treatment of injuries, screening and treatment for sexually transmitted infections, pregnancy tests, and emergency contraception.

Planned Parenthood
330.678.8011
www.pppneo.org
Provides screening and treatment of sexually transmitted infections, pregnancy tests and emergency contraception.

Akon General Hospital
330.344.1148
www.akrongeneral.org
The PATH (Providing Access to Healing) Center provides Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners specializing in care of victims of sexual assault and relationship violence through the collection of physical evidence and expert court testimony.

Women’s & Gender Centers
330.672.9230
www.kent.edu/womenscenter
Provides crisis intervention support and resources including a food pantry for students, faculty and staff.

LGBTQ Student Center
330.672.8580
www.kent.edu/lgbtq
Provides resources and support for LGBTQ students and their allies.

Academic & University Accommodations
Office of the Student Ombuds
330.672.9494
www.kent.edu/studentaffairs/student-ombuds
Available for consultation in regard to academic support and assistance with navigating policies and processes for academic accommodations.

Dean of Students
330.672.4050
www.kent.edu/student-affairs/dean-students
Serves as the primary advocate for students and provides general support for students at the university.

Other Resources
Campus Security Escorts
330.672.7004
www.kent.edu/housing/safety-and-security
Provides escorts across campus from 8 PM—4 AM.

Student Legal Services
330.672.2950
www.kent.edu/sls
Provides legal information and services to students.

Support & Accommodation Resources
Residence Services
330.672.7000
www.kent.edu/housing
Residence Services staff can assist students with issues or concerns regarding on-campus housing.

Safer Futures
330.673.2500
www.portagefamilies.org/programs_safer.html
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