

Violence Prevention

What is the Violence Prevention Office?

The Violence Prevention Office is a federally-funded program at Northeastern State University designed to make the campus a safer place for young men and women to educate and prepare themselves for their life's work in our world. The program has two main focuses. The first focus is to educate the young men and women at NSU to make choices that lead to healthy relationships. In addition to educating the students, the program will work with the entire campus community to create an environment at Northeastern State University that will not tolerate violent crimes against women. The second focus of the program will be to develop a cohesive response system so that when these crimes do occur, survivors can easily and confidentially receive the help they need and perpetrators will be held accountable.

What Can the Violence Prevention Office Do for the Survivor?

The Violence Prevention Office is survivor-driven, in other words, we will not make decisions for the survivor, but will counsel the survivor on what options are available for them. Once the survivor has determined what the best plan is for them, we will assist them to completion. The Violence Prevention Coordinator will work with them as much, or as little, as is determined necessary and/or desired by the survivor. Because each survivor will have unique needs, the Violence Prevention Office is prepared to work with each survivor on an individual basis and take all reasonable action to help the survivor get the assistance they need.

The Violence Prevention Office is prepared to advocate for the survivor in the following areas (this is not a complete list):

- Medical Assistance
- · Housing Needs or Relocation
- Legal Assistance
- Campus Judicial Systems
- Counseling
- Academic Concerns

All violence Prevention Office services are free and confidential.

When to Contact the Violence Prevention Office:

Contact the Violence Prevention Office if you are approached about help for a survivor or need to get help for a survivor of sexual assault, intimate partner violence, or stalking. As violent crime against women is often cyclical and becomes more severe over time, the earlier assistance is received and/or intervention occurs, the better for the survivor's



safety.

Services can help:

- Students
- Faculty
- Staff

Quick Reference to the Services Provided by the Violence Prevention Office:

- Bringing awareness to the campus about issues on dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking
- Educating the campus about issues on dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking
- Advocate for students that have been a victim of a crime, providing efficient information and resources in an emergency situation related to any of these areas: dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking
- Reasons for calling the Violence Prevention Office:
- If you have been victimized—Everything is confidential and no action will be taken unless you request it
- If you have questions about a relationship
- If you are concerned about or have witnessed violence in a friend's relationship
- · If you need information about violent crimes against women
- · Serves all students, faculty, and staff on campus

Location:

Student Health Services Building, between Wyly Hall and the baseball fields

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