

# Additional EBCC Programs and Services

## Safe Shelter

- Short-term shelter for victims and their children
- Transitional services including housing, financial literacy and children's services for those past the initial crisis

## Law Enforcement Advocacy

- Advocates available for Coventry, Cranston, East Greenwich, Johnston, North Providence, Warwick, West Greenwich, West Warwick Police Departments

## Court Advocacy

- Located on the 3rd floor of the Kent County Courthouse
- Assistance in filing for restraining orders, understanding and interacting with the criminal justice system

## Individual Counseling

- Counseling for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault at no cost

## Professional Training

- Workshops and in-service presentations on a variety of topics including Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Human Trafficking, Child Sexual Abuse, Online Safety and Secondary Trauma.



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EBCC is a safe space and supportive environment for LGBTQ+ community members

There is no charge for any group or for individual counseling.

Our mission is to end the perpetration and societal tolerance of interpersonal violence, including all forms of domestic and sexual abuse, and until that is achieved, to provide comprehensive services to victims and education in the community.

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*Serving individuals and families affected by domestic violence and sexual assault*



# Support Groups

## What is a support group?

Groups provide emotional support and education for those dealing with current or past abuse (physical, emotional, sexual). Groups provide a safe and confidential place to talk with others who have been in similar situations. It's a way to feel less alone while you explore the choices in your life.



## Why join a support group?

There are many benefits of a support group:

- Expressing emotions in a safe space
- Learning new coping strategies
- Finding hope
- Giving and receiving support
- Identifying with others
- Increasing self-esteem
- Experiencing validation and normalization of feelings, experiences, and trauma responses

## What kinds of topics are discussed?

Topics vary from week to week and group to group, depending on the needs of those in the group. Some issues that may come up include:

- information on the cycle of violence
- defining and understanding the forms of abuse
- self-esteem and empowerment
- staying safe and free from violence
- defining healthy relationships

## How do I join a group?

Joining a group is an easy process.

Call 401-738-1700 and say you are interested in a group. You will be given information about types of groups currently available.

A brief telephone screening will help to ensure that you will be joining the group that is best for your needs.



## Support groups

Support for:

- Victims and survivors of domestic violence (DV) and sexual assault (SA)
- Friends and family members of victims of DV
- Victims and survivors of DV and SA who identify as LGBTQ+
- Victims of family violence

## Educational groups

Healing to Thrive - an educational program for survivors for understanding abuse, developing skills for boundary setting, assertiveness and recognizing warning signs of abuse

Teen dating education to help youth recognize abuse and promote healthy relationships

