

# WHERE TO GET SUPPORT

Quick Guide for Students

A SAFE PLACE TO  
**START**

## PATH TO CARE CENTER

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Prevention | Advocacy | Training | Healing

Affirming, empowering, confidential support for those who have experienced sexual harassment, emotional abuse, dating and intimate partner violence, sexual assault, stalking, and sexual exploitation. Advocates bring a non-judgmental, caring approach to exploring options, rights, accommodations, medical care, and other resources. Advocacy services and consultations are available to all current and former UC Berkeley staff, faculty, students, visitors, anyone who has been impacted by someone affiliated with UC Berkeley, and more.

24/7 Urgent Support Care Line: 510-643-2005  
Appointments: 510-642-1988  
[care.berkeley.edu](https://care.berkeley.edu)

## OFF-CAMPUS RESOURCES

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### FAMILY VIOLENCE LAW CENTER (FVLC)

Support and legal assistance for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault.

24/7 Crisis Line: 800-947-8301 | [fvlc.org](https://fvlc.org)

### BRAVE Bay Area (formerly BAWAR)

Counseling and hospital, police, and courtroom accompaniment for sexual violence survivors of all genders.

24/7 Hotline (English + Español): 510-800-4247 | [bawar.org](https://bawar.org)

You have options  
and can decide  
what's next.

This quick guide covers resources for UC Berkeley **students** (including undergraduate, graduate, professional, online, and visiting) who have experienced **harm related to sexual violence and sexual harassment (SVSH)** or who are supporting others. Some resources below are designated confidential, others are offices of record. Survivors do not need to formally report to campus or the police, nor do they have to share anything they do not want to share, to receive confidential support. If you are unsure of where to start or have any questions about confidentiality, contact the PATH to Care Center.

## CAMPUS RESOURCES

### UNIVERSITY HEALTH SERVICES (UHS) / TANG CENTER, SOCIAL SERVICES (CONFIDENTIAL)

Free individual and group counseling and consultation for students.

[uhs.berkeley.edu/social-services](https://uhs.berkeley.edu/social-services) | 510-642-6074  
For after-hours emergency consultation or crisis resource referrals, call 855-817-5667.

### THE OMBUDS OFFICE FOR STUDENTS & POSTDOCTORAL APPOINTEES (CONFIDENTIAL)

A neutral resource for navigating informal and formal options, with the goal of empowering students to make choices that best fit their needs.

[sa.berkeley.edu/ombuds](https://sa.berkeley.edu/ombuds) | 510-642-5754

### STUDENT ADVOCATE'S OFFICE (SAO)

Student-to-student casework services for undergraduate & graduate student survivors; helps survivors understand available resources & options.

[advocate.berkeley.edu](https://advocate.berkeley.edu) | 510-642-6912  
[help@berkeleysao.org](mailto:help@berkeleysao.org)

Contact the PATH to Care Center for confidential assistance and/or accompaniment with any of the options listed here.

## REPORTING AN INCIDENT FOR EMERGENCIES, DIAL 911

### LAW ENFORCEMENT REPORTING

#### UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

If the incident occurred off-campus, UCPD can help a survivor coordinate with their local law enforcement.

1 Sproul Hall | [police.berkeley.edu](http://police.berkeley.edu).

24-hr emergency line: 510-642-3333

24-hr non-emergency: 510-642-6760

#### BERKELEY POLICE DEPT.

2100 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way

24/7 line: 510-981-5900 | [ci.berkeley.ca.us/police](http://ci.berkeley.ca.us/police)

### ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTING TO UC BERKELEY

#### OFFICE FOR THE PREVENTION OF HARASSMENT & DISCRIMINATION (OPHD)

As UC Berkeley's Title IX office, OPHD handles complaints of discrimination, harassment, and sexual violence against faculty, staff & students. OPHD can issue supportive measures which may include no contact directives.

[ask\\_ophd@berkeley.edu](mailto:ask_ophd@berkeley.edu) | [ophd.berkeley.edu](http://ophd.berkeley.edu)

510-643-7985

### OBTAINING A PROTECTIVE / RESTRAINING ORDER

Survivors have the option to request a protective/restraining order from the civil division of the Superior Court at any time. These civil court orders protect survivors who have experienced or are in fear of physical violence, sexual assault, and/or stalking by another individual.

The Family Violence Law Center can help with this process, and can be contacted at 800-947-8301.

### RESPONSIBLE EMPLOYEES

Confidential Resources (see reverse) exist so that survivors can seek support and discuss options without the obligation to report to authorities. According to the UC SVSH Policy, any University employee who is not a Confidential Resource is a Responsible Employee, with a reporting obligation. Responsible Employees include, for example, Resident Assistants, GSIs, faculty, coaches, and others. You can make a report to OPHD using the online reporting webform on [ophd.berkeley.edu](http://ophd.berkeley.edu).

Have questions about the UC SVSH Policy or the Responsible Employee reporting obligations?

Contact OPHD at 510-643-7985 or [ask\\_ophd@berkeley.edu](mailto:ask_ophd@berkeley.edu), or find more information at [ophd.berkeley.edu](http://ophd.berkeley.edu).

### MEDICAL SERVICES

Individuals may wish to seek medical care to treat injuries, get tested for exposure to sexually transmitted infections, or preserve forensic evidence. You can call the **Care Line: 510-643-2005** to speak with a confidential advocate, who can coordinate transportation to a healthcare facility and **accompany** you throughout the process to provide support.

Though otherwise confidential, medical staff are required to report to the police any physical evidence of a violent crime observed during a physical exam.

### HEALTHCARE FACILITIES LOCAL TO CAMPUS

#### Highland Hospital

Full emergency care; approved site for forensic evidence collection after sexual assault or relationship violence. Evidence collection costs are covered for survivors of sexual and relationship violence.

24/7 510-437-4800 | [highlandahs.org](http://highlandahs.org)  
1411 E 31st St, Oakland, CA 94602

#### University Health Services (UHS) / Tang Center Urgent Care

Offers medical care to students, regardless of insurance status. Provides treatment for potential injuries and to prevent sexually transmitted infections and pregnancy. UHS is not an approved site to provide forensic evidence collection, however staff can coordinate that service with an approved hospital. Medical costs are covered for student survivors of sexual and relationship violence. For after-hours medical assistance, call UHS Advice Nurse at 510-643-7197.

### EVIDENCE COLLECTION

Forensic evidence collection is a police process to collect and preserve possible evidence of a crime, and can only be done at approved sites in the county where the incident occurred. If a survivor of relationship violence or sexual assault is considering pursuing criminal charges, it is best if evidence collection occurs in the first 72 hrs, the earlier the better. For best evidence collection, if possible:

- Leave the area where the harm occurred undisturbed.
- Place each clothing item in a separate paper bag (no plastic).
- Resist urge to shower, bathe, wash hands, eat, drink or brush teeth.