

Walk into the Morris Family Justice Center and feel welcomed by staff who are working together to make it easier for victims, survivors, and their families. Here, partner agencies offer coordinated, comprehensive services to protect and restore lives.

OUR PARTNERS

- Jersey Battered Women's Service
 (JBWS) Lead Partner
- County of Morris
- Legal Services of Northwest Jersey
- Manavi
- Morris CARES
- Morris County Bar Foundation
- Morris County Organization for Hispanic Affairs
- Morris County Prosecutor's Office
- Morris County Sheriff's Office
- Morris County Superior Court
- Morristown Police Department

The family justice center model is recognized as a best practice in the field of domestic violence by the U.S. Department of Justice.

The Morris Family Justice Center stands as a beacon of hope for victims now and for years to come.

The initial startup of the project is being funded by the Office on Violence Against Women and The Provident Bank Foundation. The Morris County Freeholders unanimously approved an agreement to provide space, at no cost, for the new center.



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If you need assistance during our off hours, please call 1-877-R-U-ABUSED

Hours: Monday - Friday walk-in hours 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Tuesday & Wednesday evenings by appointment only

For information on directions, parking, volunteering or donating to the Morris Family Justice Center, please visit our website at www.morrisfjc.org or give us a call.

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"I found ONE place for protection from abuse, support, legal advice, & children's counseling. I found ONE place to heal."

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GET ALL YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED IN ONE PLACE

Find the services you need to become safe and secure – for yourself, for your family.



OUR SERVICES

Domestic Violence and Dating Abuse: Experienced advocates from *Jersey Battered Women's Service* provide emotional support, safety planning, and access to community resources. Advocates can also provide access to the agency's safe house and batterers' counseling program.

Children's Services: Individual & group support for children of abusive homes.

Legal Assistance: Provided by attorneys from *Legal Services of Northwest Jersey, Morris County Organization for Hispanic Affairs,* and the *Morris County Bar Foundation,* legal assistance is offered with restraining orders, family matters, housing, immigration, and more.

Morris County Prosecutor's Office investigates/prosecutes the offender and provides criminal prosecution status updates. *Morristown Police Department* assists with criminal investigations and filing for restraining orders.

Culturally Specific Services: Advocacy for South Asian survivors is provided through *Manavi*. Advocacy for Spanish speaking survivors is provided through most partner agencies directly and *Morris County Organization for Hispanic Affairs*.

Sexual Abuse: Counseling, advocacy, respect, education and support for sexual assault survivors, their families and their partners are provided through *Morris CARES*.

Human Trafficking: Support services, advocacy, & safety planning for survivors.

ABOUT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND DATING ABUSE

Intimate partner abuse includes verbal, emotional, economic, physical, and sexual abuse, as well as intimidation and threats.

Dating and domestic abuse are very common and affect people regardless of age, gender identity, race, socioeconomic status, ethnicity, or religion. A person may be a victim even if he/she is not legally married to the abusive partner, is gay, lesbian, or transgender, separated or divorced, or is abused by someone else in the household, such as a parent, sibling or child.

Children who witness domestic violence are at risk of being physically harmed themselves and of suffering from emotional trauma and stress induced health problems.

ABOUT SEXUAL ABUSE

It is never okay to engage in sexual activity without someone's consent, even when dating or married. Sexual assault in a relationship rarely exists in a vacuum. It often occurs alongside other forms of abusive behavior. Talking with a professional in a safe, confidential environment is the first step to recovery.

ABOUT HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Human trafficking shares similarities with domestic and sexual abuse. Abusers and traffickers use power and control to dominate their victims who are usually women. Common tactics used by traffickers include isolation, physical and emotional violence, sexual abuse and exploitation, financial abuse, threats to family members, use of children to manipulate and control their victims, withholding of food, sleep, and medical care, among others.