

Shelter Agencies for Families in East Texas, Inc. aka SAFE-T

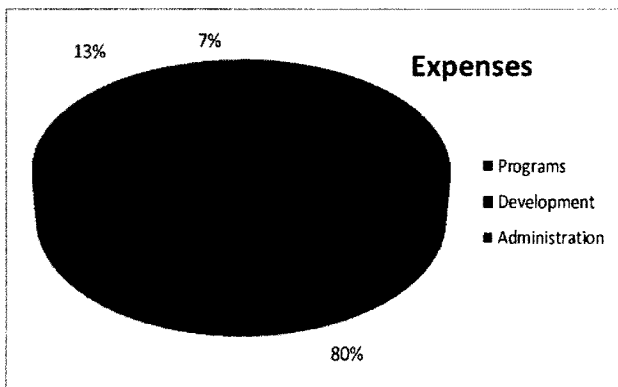
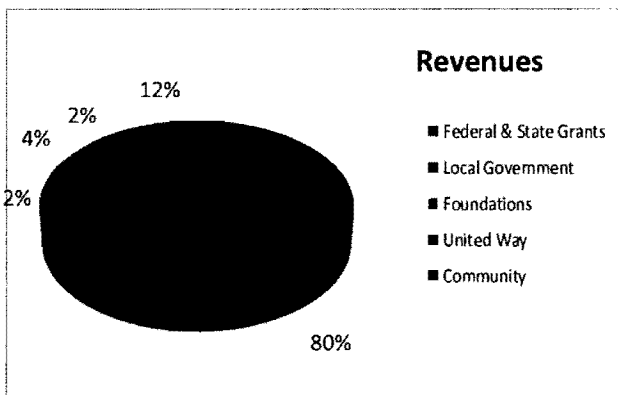
In 2013 there were over 1,900 victims of domestic violence who received services for Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Dating Violence, Stalking, Child Abuse and Human Trafficking. Two domestic violence homicides and one child kidnapping occurred in Titus County in 2012-2013.

Shelter, Primary Prevention in schools, legal assistance/advocacy, counseling, housing assistance, and sexual assault advocacy remain the most sought after services. Our 24 hour shelter and hotline were busier than the year before with over 55 calls a day average and 235 individuals in shelter for longer periods of time.

Participants of the DOE or "Doors of Empowerment" Housing Program have seen its first graduates from college this year. Since 2011, 62 families (184 individuals) have entered into this 2 year program and 90% have either secured a GED, entered college or secured a vocational trade. During this program participants take classes to learn about budgeting, finances, loans, and credit repair. They are taught how to write a resume, secure higher paying jobs and attend weekly counseling classes.

Raising Awareness about domestic violence for the month of October we are posting pictures daily of men taking a stand. "I am Man Enough! Are You?" Wearing red high heels. Shown below is Titus County Sheriff's Department. SAFE-T works hand in hand with law enforcement, courts, CPS, Schools, civic groups, businesses and others to try to end violence in our community. We serve 8 counties and have two outreach offices.

FINANCIAL POSITION



Shown is Titus County Sheriff' Tim Ingram and deputies for "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes"

**There is Help For
Survivors
Of
Domestic Violence
and
Sexual Assault**



Post Office Box 2337
204 Patrick Street
Mount Pleasant, Texas 75456

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Toll Free 1-888-801-HELP (4357)
Office: 903-572-0973
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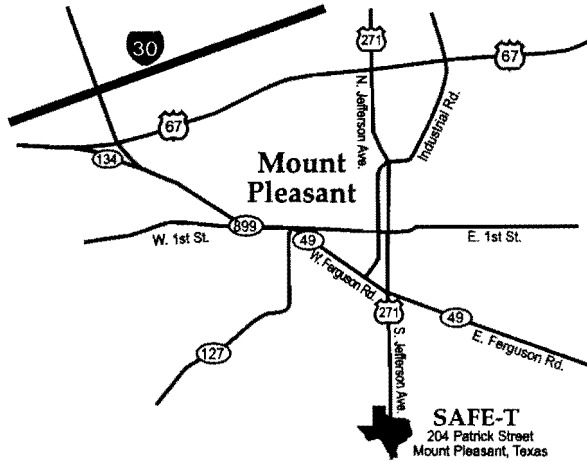
Sulphur Springs Office: 903-439-0325
Paris Office: 903-783-1313
SAFE-T Resale Store: 903-577-9035

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Our mission is to create an environment where violence and abuse are not tolerated in the communities we serve. Abuse diminishes the full expression of life which is every person's right.

SAFE-T SERVICE AREA

Titus, Camp, Delta, Franklin, Hopkins, Lamar, Morris and Red River Counties



OUTREACH SERVICES

- 24-hour crisis hotline
- Counseling & Support Groups
- Crime Victim Assistance
- Rape Crisis Intervention
- Batterer's Program
- Child Visitation & Exchange
- Accompaniment to Court
- Legal Assistance
- R.I.S.K. (Resource, Information, Skills and Knowledge) group for Teens
- Silent Witness Candlelight Vigil
- Educational Programs and Professional Trainings

RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

- Shelter
- Victim Assistance
- Housing Assistance
- Counseling & Group Advocacy
- Legal Advocacy
- Children's Advocacy

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

- School programs Pre-K-College
- Domestic Violence Cycle and Laws
- Children Who Witness Violence
- Sexual Assault
- Workplace Violence
- Training for Law Enforcement, Social Workers, Nurses, and Community.

SAFE-T is a community effort: We are in constant need of Funds and items to provide services to survivors of abuse. Funding comes from: Concerned individuals, churches, Foundations, Federal and State Grants.



SAFETY PLAN

For Victims of Domestic Violence

- Always keep some money hidden
- Have extra keys for the car and house
- Keep a small bag with extra clothing-hidden in garage, at friends house, or closet.
- Establish a code with family & friends
- Call police! 911
- Have important documents ready:

Driver's license number (both)
 Marriage license & Birth Records
 Bank statements & Insurance policies
 Social Security numbers(s)
 Medications
 List of important phone numbers
 Car Registration
 Any valuables (Jewelry)

REDUCE THE RISK OF SEXUAL ASSAULT

- Always carry money for a phone or taxi.
- Know the exact plans for a date and your expected time of return, then inform a parent, room mate or friend.
- Your ability to react under the influence of alcohol or drugs is reduced.
- NEVER let a stranger bring you a drink, or leave your drink unattended.

All services of SAFE-T are provided without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, income, political beliefs, HIV/Aids or religion as defined in Title 40 of the Texas Administrative Code.

We are a non-profit 501 3© and all abuse services are provided free of charge.

Yes! I would like to help.

- ___ with a donation
- ___ Information
- ___ Volunteering
- ___ I would like a presentation

Please mail to:

SAFE-T

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10 THINGS MEN CAN DO TO PREVENT MEN'S VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

From Men Can Stop Rape

1. Realize gender violence is a men's issue that affects women that you care about.
2. Don't remain silent—confront the abusive behavior in other males.
3. Understand how your own attitudes and actions may perpetuate sexism and violence and work towards changing them.
4. Gently offer your help and support if you suspect that a woman close to you is being abused or has been sexually assaulted.
5. Respect women and treat them as equals.
6. Be an ally to women who are working to end all forms of gender violence.
7. Recognize and speak out against homophobia and gay-bashing.
8. Educate yourself and others about masculinity, gender inequality, and the root causes of gender violence.
9. Mentor and teach boys about how to be men in ways that don't involve degrading or abusing girls and women.
10. Refuse to purchase any magazines, videos, or music that portray women in a degrading or violent matter.

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