

How 24/7 Support Lines Make a Difference

Survivors of military sexual assault are never alone – no matter when or where assistance is needed. Marines and their families have immediate access to resources and referrals by calling their installation's 24/7 Sexual Assault Support Line.

The Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR) Victim Advocates (VAs) and Sexual Assault Response Coordinators (SARCs) who staff these support lines are dedicated to getting it right. A single phone call may be the only chance SAPR VAs or SARCs get to make a difference in the life of a survivor, so they are trained to give their best effort every time.

24/7 Helpline for Your Local Installation

Camp Lejeune – New River

910-750-5852

10 Things to Know about 24/7 Support

1. **Anywhere** – Each United States Marine Corps (USMC) installation has a 24/7 Sexual Assault Support Line to assist sexual assault survivors with appropriate care and critical information.
2. **Anytime** – 24/7 Sexual Assault Support Lines ring directly to cell phones held by the installation's SAPR VA or SARC.
3. **Knowledgeable** – All SAPR VAs and SARCs who answer the 24/7 Support Lines are credentialed by the Department of Defense (DOD) Sexual Assault Advocate Certification Program (D-SAACP).
4. **Dependable** – No call by a survivor ever goes unanswered. After five rings, a call to the 24/7 Sexual Assault Support Line is automatically forwarded to the DOD Safe Helpline.
5. **Local** – After receiving a forwarded call, DOD Safe Helpline personnel will always try to connect the survivor back to the appropriate installation 24/7 Sexual Assault Support Line.
6. **Supportive** – Whether assisted by DOD or the installation's SAPR VA or SARC, the survivor will always be provided with immediate crisis support and referrals to appropriate services.
7. **Personal** – If requested, a credentialed SAPR VA or SARC will meet with the survivor within two hours of the initial call for any reason related to the sexual assault. It's totally up to the caller.
8. **Confidential** – Calls to the 24/7 Sexual Assault Support Lines and the DOD Safe Helpline are strictly confidential. Survivors will not be asked for personally identifiable information.
9. **Professional** – 24/7 Sexual Assault Support Lines are audited monthly to make sure the response system is timely, efficient, and effective and to correct any identified issues.
10. **Quality Care** – The Marine Corps SAPR Program is committed to providing survivors of sexual assault with comprehensive, quality care.

24/7 Sexual Assault Support Lines have connected hundreds of survivors with a trusted, confidential source of support since 2010. Whether looking for specific information or just someone to talk to about a sexual assault, round-the-clock help is just a phone call away.

If you are deployed or stationed at a non-USMC installation, contact your SAPR VA for assistance or call the DOD Safe Helpline at [1-877-995-5247](tel:1-877-995-5247).

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