Williams Lake Community
Based Victim Services
works in collaboration
with:

Aboriginal Victim Services
Assisting aboriginal victims of all genders and ages
17 South 1st Avenue
Williams Lake, BC
250 305 2350
Fax: 250 392 1533

### **RCMP Victim Services**

Assisting victims of all crimes reported to the RCMP 575 Borland Street Williams Lake, BC 250 392 8709 Fax: 250 392 8707

## 24 HOUR CRISIS LINE

Interior crisis line:1-888-353-2273 VictimLink BC: 1-800-563-0808

A free phone line for anyone in crisis to receive emotional support and be directed to appropriate community services.

# How to contact us

- (250) 305-7369
- williamslake.cbvs@cmha.bc.ca
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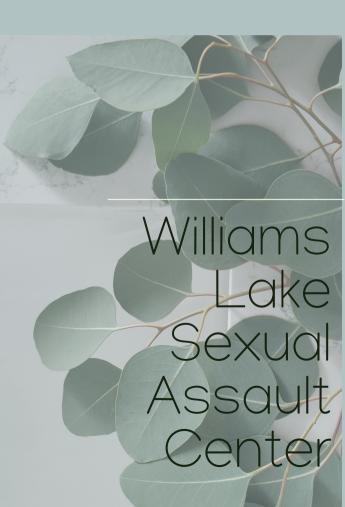
- cariboo.cmha.bc.ca
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- 201-35 South SecondAvenue, Williams Lake,BC, V2G 3W3





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# WILLIAMS LAKE COMMUNITY BASED VICTIM SERVICES



#### Justice Related services include:

- Providing information to victims about their rights under the Victims of Crimes Act (VOCA) and information on the criminal justice system
- Provide information and assistance with completing victim impact statements
- Obtain, provide and arrange for victims to receive case specific information
- Arrange, facilitate and accompany victims to meetings with criminal justice system personal
- Court orientation
- Accompany victims to court and provide emotional support as needed

### Other services provided include:

- Crisis response
- Safety Planning
- ❖ Short term emotional support
- Education on relationship violence and abusive cycles
- Education on the effects of relationship violence on children
- Information and referrals to other agencies and practitioners

CBVS acknowledges that we operate on Secwépemc and Tsilhqot'in land. We pay our respect to the First Nations ancestors of this land, and recognize the harm done to Indigenous people through colonization, Residential Schools, and the Sixties Scoop.

### WHO DOES COMMUNITY BASED VICTIM SERVICES HELP?

Community Based Victim Services provides justice related services to all victims of all ages, genders and sexual orientation.

Services are available for victims of crime who may or may not have reported the crime to police or be involved with the criminal justice system

- Adult victims of violence in relationships
- ❖ Sexual assault
- Criminal Harassment
- Adult survivors of childhood physical and sexual abuse
- Child and youth victims of childhood
- physical and sexual abuse
- Child and youth witnesses of violence in relationships

Relationship Violence is any form of violent or abusive behaviour that happens in intimate relationships (marriage, common law, dating, ex-partners, family and friends). Being in a relationship does not give anyone the right to be violent. Incidences of violence or abuse can happen once or many times during the relationship or after it ends. Signs of violence or abuse include:

- Physical violence (hitting, shoving, restraining, slapping, etc...)
- \* Emotional/psychological abuse (yelling, name calling, insults, stalking, threatening and controlling behaviours)
- ❖ Financial abuse (stealing money, controlling shared finances, exploitation)
- Sexual abuse

Sexual Assault is any form of sexual contact without a person's consent, including threats of sexual contact without a person's consent. Sexual assault can range from unwanted sexual touching to forced intercourse. Sexual assault is a crime, regardless of the past or present relationship between the people involved (e.g. married, dating, living together, friends, strangers). No one has the right to force or threaten another person to have sexual contact

**Stalking and Criminal Harassment** can take over your life. If you are being threatened, followed, watched, called repeatedly, sent things that are unwanted or if your property or pets have been harmed, you may be a victim of criminal harassment.