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the Jefferson County
District Attorney's Office,
City of Birmingham
Police Department,
YWCA Central Alabama, and
the Crisis Center, Inc. Rape
Response Program

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If you are in danger, dial 911.

Non-Emergency police line: 205-328-931

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ONE PLACE

METRO ALABAMA **FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER**

provides coordinated, no-cost services to victims and survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault through a multi-disciplinary team working together under one roof. One Place offers options so that survivors can choose the path to healing and justice that fits their unique situation and needs.

CASE MANAGEMENT Your case manager advocates for your needs, reviews your safety plan and connects you to the services you choose.

COUNSELING Referrals for one-on-one counseling and support groups are available to help you, your family and loved ones through the healing process.

LEGAL INFORMATION The YWCA Family Law legal team can help guide you through a variety of legal issues from child custody, visitation, protection orders and other civil concerns.

POLICE Birmingham Police officers are available to assist with making police reports about your case if you choose to pursue prosecution.

PROSECUTION Prosecutors from the Jefferson County District Attorney's Office can answer your questions about the criminal justice system.

CHILDREN'S ROOM The One Place Children's Room is a safe and warm environment for your children to play while you meet with staff and access One Place services.



Case Managers from the YWCA Central Alabama provide a full range of services to victims of domestic violence, stalking and dating violence. Case managers can make referrals for individual and group counseling and connect you with YWCA's confidential emergency shelters where victims and their families can find help and safety.

Attorneys from the YWCA Family Law Center work at One Place to provide comprehensive civil legal services to victims. Civil legal concerns may include divorce, child custody and visitation, housing, public benefits, immigration and other non-criminal issues.

YWCA Court Advocates help victims navigate the complicated legal process and court system, even accompanying them to court.

The Crisis Center's Rape Response staff partners with One Place to fill needs of those affected by sexual violence.

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Rape Response Advocates are available 24-hours a day for victims and survivors who request a forensic medical exam. These exams are done in the privacy of the SANE Clinic unless a survivor is medically unstable, in which case the exam will be completed at a local hospital. Forensic medical exams can be completed up to 72 hours after the assault

and allow for evidence to be collected. Evidence collection does not mean that a survivor must seek criminal prosecution or even report to the police, however, the evidence is collected and maintained by the Crisis Center in case the survivor decides to seek prosecution in the future.

The Rape Response program also offers counseling services and support groups for survivors as well as a 24-hour confidential crisis hotline.

Rape Response Legal Advocates accompany survivors of sexual violence during interviews with law enforcement and through legal proceedings regarding their case.

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The Birmingham Police Department's Domestic Violence Unit has on-site staff at One Place to interview victims, take victims statements and gather information to begin initial investigations. They work to explain the criminal justice system, assist victims with filing reports and offer advice about warrants and protection orders. The Domestic Violence Unit staff ensures that all reports are complete and that the case is assigned to a detective for further investigation.

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The Birmingham Police Department is dedicated to serving the people of Birmingham by working in partnership with the community to enforce the law, preserve peace, reduce fear, and maintain order.



Representatives from the Jefferson County District Attorney's office are on site at One Place to help victims navigate the criminal justice system from the beginning of a criminal case to its resolution. A prosecutor is available on-site to answer questions about the process and to work side by side with law enforcement and other partners.

The District Attorney's office is dedicated to protecting the rights and interests of all victims of crime while aggressively prosecuting those who engage in criminal activity. Some crime victims may also be eligible for counseling provided through the State of Alabama or entitled to assistance with medical or other bills related to the offense. The DA's Victims Services Office has a network of resources to ensure a victim's rights are fully protected and that justice is served.



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