

STAY CONNECTED:



## A MESSAGE FROM ENDGBV



Every person deserves to live without fear of violence, abuse, sexual assault, stalking, or any form of domestic or gender-based violence.

### April is Sexual Violence Awareness Month (SVAM)

We invite you to join the Mayor's Office to End Domestic & Gender-Based Violence (ENDGBV) and our community-based partners as we raise awareness about sexual violence and the resources, and supports offered to survivors throughout the City.

Nationally, over half of women and almost one in three men have

experienced sexual violence during their lifetimes (Source: *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention*). People of all genders can experience sexual violence, however members of historically marginalized genders, including women and girls, transgender, gender non-conforming, and non-binary individuals are disproportionately impacted. New York City stands with survivors as we raise awareness about sexual violence, address its impacts, and promote mutual respect.

### How Can You Participate?

#### Celebrate Denim Day:

**Denim Day** is an important part of SVAM, when people across the world wear denim to raise awareness of sexual violence. This year's Denim Day theme, "**TakeSpaceMakeSpace,**" stresses the importance of living, moving, and celebrating yourself in a space without the fear of sexual violence.

- Join ENDGBV and NYC’s Denim Day Committee to celebrate **Denim Day 2023** on **Wednesday, April 26th** with survivors, advocates, and community leaders as we march over the Brooklyn Bridge to New York City’s Foley Square where we will rally to end sexual violence.
- Join other citywide events throughout the month of April by visiting the **Denim Day NYC (DDNYC) [calendar](#)** including these borough-based marches and rallies:
  - April 20, 2023      3:30 pm      **Bronx Denim Day March**
  - April 25, 2023      3:00 pm      **Staten Island Denim Day Rally**
  - April 26, 2023      4:00 pm      **Queens Denim Day March**
- Go to the **Denim Day [website](#)** to learn more about marches; the origin of Denim Day; and to connect with resources and partners.

**Spread Awareness throughout April with Denim Day NYC**

**Denim Day NYC** is a coalition of survivors, advocates, community organizations, city council members, and city agencies working together to raise awareness about sexual assault.



- Join the DDNYC social media campaign. This year's theme is **#TakeSpaceMakeSpaceNYC**. It’s a call to action to live fully in our identities without having to make ourselves smaller. Creating a world in which everyone has the right to safety and expression, and to affirm these positive acts are defiant protests against gender-based discrimination and violence. Everyone has the right to safety. How do you **#TakeSpaceMakeSpaceNYC?**
- Share support and photos donning your denim style on social media with hashtags **#TakeSpaceMakeSpaceNYC #svam #sexualviolence #consent #awarenesshelphope**

Host your own **Denim Day** event and enter it **[here](#)** to have it added to the **Denim Day NYC** calendar. Include information on sexual violence-related resources in communications with your networks including newsletters, e-blasts, social media, and more this month.

Find resources and support in NYC by searching the **NYC HOPE Resource Directory** online at [www.nyc.gov/NYCHOPE](http://www.nyc.gov/NYCHOPE). For additional resources and to learn about the root causes and impacts of sexual violence visit [nsvrc.org/saam](http://nsvrc.org/saam).

## WHAT'S NEW

### Virtual Public Meeting of NYC Street Harassment Prevention Advisory Board on April 25th



The poster features a pink background with a teal megaphone icon on the right. The text is in teal and white. At the bottom, there are logos for the NYC Commission on Gender Equity and the NYC Office to End Stalking and Gender-Based Violence.

**NYC Street Harassment Prevention Advisory Board**  
Virtual Public Meeting

April 25<sup>th</sup> 2023, 5:00-6:30pm

We want to hear from you!  
ASL and language interpretation available.

Register by 4.18 to share your story, and for accessibility and interpretation requests: [bit.ly/42pwN6f](https://bit.ly/42pwN6f)

NYC Commission on Gender Equity  
NYC Office to End Stalking and Gender-Based Violence

ENDGBV and the NYC Commission on Gender Equity (CGE) launched the **Street Harassment Prevention Advisory Board** (under NYC Local Law 46 [here](#)) in 2022 to engage community stakeholders and relevant city agencies in responding to and preventing street harassment. The Board aligns closely with the City's broader efforts to keep people safe in shared spaces such as subways, parks and streets. We will be hosting the first **Street Harassment Prevention Advisory Board Virtual Public Hearing on April 25, 5:00 – 6:30 PM** to hear from New Yorkers about their experiences or thoughts about street harassment. The hearing provides an opportunity to inform the Board's work studying street harassment

in NYC and developing recommendations for programming, educational materials, support services, and other non-criminalizing responses to address this issue.

## Annual Call to Men Youth Summit at Cornell Tech



ENDGBV and A Call to Men announce our **2023 Youth Rising for Healthier Relationships Summit** on **Friday, April 28, 2023** at 9:00 am, to honor, unify, and empower youth to be advocates for healthy relationships and use their voices to enact meaningful change. Join us for panel discussions and workshops to encourage knowledge sharing, and to honor to our next generation of change-makers.

Space is limited. Register [here](https://www.acalltomen.org) to learn more.

## Mayor Eric Adams Enacts Bill Intro 148-A to Strengthen Survivor Protections



On March 6, ENDGBV along with partners Urban Resource Institute, CAMBA, Inc, Safe Horizon and elected officials convened at City Hall with Mayor Eric Adams to enact NYC Council Member Justin Brannan’s Bill [Intro](#) 148-A. This new law strengthens protections for survivors by recognizing economic abuse as domestic and gender-based violence. Economic abuse includes behavior that controls, obstructs, or interferes with a person’s ability to use or maintain economic resources to which they are entitled or to acquire economic resources, including by coercion, deception, fraud, or manipulation.



## Donna Ferrato's Public Artwork, "Wall of Silence" Closing in May 2023



A Deinstallation ceremony for the “**Wall of Silence**,” public artwork by artist Donna Ferrato will be held on Friday, May 12, 2023. Commissioned by ENDGBV, this artwork brings awareness to the plight of criminalized domestic and gender-based survivors and was initially installed in June 2022. It will remain on view at Collect Pond Park, (130 Leonard Street, NYC) in Lower Manhattan until its official departure on May 31, 2023. Learn more about the artist’s work [here](#).

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## Recognizing Women’s History Month in March




Each year during **Women’s History Month** we celebrate the vital contributions of women to history, culture, and society. Women have and continue to be at the helm of important social change efforts, political movements, and technological advancements. Women from all over the world have championed equal rights, peace, non-violence, reproductive rights, disability rights and more to change our world for the better.

Despite this, women, girls, transgender, non-binary, and gender nonconforming individuals continue to experience violence and abuse. Gender-based violence promotes and compounds inequality within our society and it disproportionately affects women and girls, particularly women of color, LGBTQ women, immigrant women, and women living in poverty. At ENDGBV, we aim to work collaboratively with our many partners to create policy, programming, and services to raise awareness, support survivors, and eradicate domestic and gender-based violence.

Let us always remember that we must continue our vigilant advocacy, both to honor the achievements of prior generations and to inspire our future generations. See below to learn about some of the incredible women that drive our advocacy and work.

ENDGBV Celebrates:

# Women's History Month



**Jennifer DeCarli**  
Deputy Commissioner,  
Family Justice Center and  
Outreach

"My experiences as a woman and as a survivor greatly impact my work at ENDGBV. Those experiences drive my daily passion for the work and my commitment to ensuring access to critically important services and supports for survivors of dv/gbv who are looking for city government to help them find the safety and stability they deserve."

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ENDGBV Celebrates:

# Women's History Month



**Maggie Desir-Hart**  
Deputy Director of Queens  
Family Justice Center

"As we come to the end of Black History month and begin a month-long acknowledgment of the contributions that women have made to the fabric of our country, as a Black woman I reflect on how far we have come but I recognize how much farther we need to go.

The depth of sacrifice and strength necessary to advocate for change is profound. With recent legislation and Supreme Court rulings it seems we are moving backwards. Our history has shown that the battle for racial and gender equity is a fight we are all enlisted in. When we collectively participate, victory is achievable. Perhaps, there will be a day when equity and equality are a matter of course and not design. And then we can all breathe."

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# Women's History Month



**Bethany Burrous**  
Director of Budget and Grants

"I feel that as a woman I have had to work to remind myself that it's okay to speak my mind and I have every reason to be confident in my abilities. Navigating the City in my complex role pushed me to be a strong, assertive problem solver, and I am grateful for the strength I have gained from having to face the doubts I once had in myself. I want to do whatever I can to pass this confidence along to other women who are struggling to find their voice. In addition to being a woman, my experience being a survivor has impacted my work here at ENDGBV. I was at ENDGBV when I first came to terms with the fact that I was in an abusive relationship I needed to leave behind, and the way the office was able to support me restored my sense of empowerment and motivated me even more in our fight to end domestic and gender-based violence."

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# Women's History Month



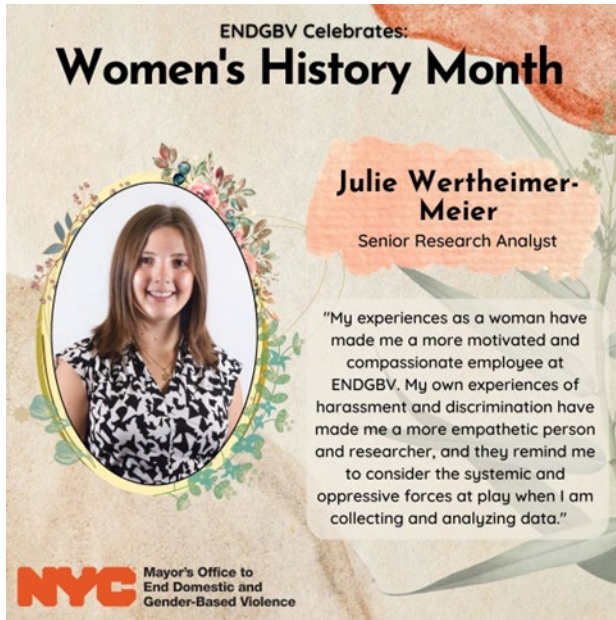
**Flore Baptiste**  
Citywide Outreach  
Coordinator - Staten Island

If you could have lunch with any woman living or dead, who would it be and why?

"Maya Angelou, I would love to know about how she feels about the progress made in the dv/ sexual abuse world now. What were her dreams for justice as not just as a survivor, but a female survivor of color. Are we even close? What's missing? How do we get there or at least close to her dream?"

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During **Women's History Month**, ENDGBV visited the APNA Brooklyn Community Center's Adult Day Program and delivered a workshop on understanding GBV, and provided resources and tips for supporting community members.



## Recognizing March as Disability Awareness Month



On February 26, 1987 President Ronald Reagan officially declared Proclamation 5613 (link [here](#)) making March, **National Disabilities Awareness Month**. “The proclamation called for people to provide understanding, encouragement and opportunities to help persons with disabilities to lead productive and fulfilling lives.” ENDGBV recognizes Disability Awareness Month and celebrates the countless contributions of people with disabilities, and raises awareness to promote their ongoing integration, independence, inclusion, and participation in society.



## Celebrating Black History Month in February

It's important to both honor and recognize the legacies, achievements and global impact of African Americans and its diaspora of generations past, present, and future. Black History is World History. During February 2023, ENDGBV featured headquarters staff asking, ***“What is the significance of Black History Month to you?”***

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**CELEBRATES**

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

Honoring the history, culture and achievements of African Americans and the African Diaspora in recognition of their impact in the U.S. & globally

**#awarenesshelphope**

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**BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

**Stephanie Murphy**  
Special Assistant to the Commissioner

“Black History Month is remembrance of who we were, who we are and who we are becoming. It’s an opportunity to honor the innovation, hard work, intellect, and courage of our ancestors, who made it possible for others to thrive in the past, present and future. Black history extends beyond books and exists in every fiber of my being that cannot be erased nor forgotten. I am a proud Black woman who deeply values the beauty of being Black, and the diversity of our people and culture.”

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**BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

**MALIK E. DENT, MPA**  
CHIEF OF STAFF

“For me, Black History Month is a special time to acknowledge and celebrate the many contributions Black people across the diaspora has provided this world. Whether it is appreciating how we have traffic lights or enjoying a nice plate of soul food, Black people have brought much joy to the world despite continued adversities we face.

Black History is American History.  
Black History is World History.”

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**BLACK HISTORY MONTH**


**Joseph Esheyigba**  
Director of Survivor Engagement

“Black history *IS* history. So, for me Black History month is the reminder to the country and business entities that we are the culture and major contributors to the world/ society. A world /society that undervalues us.

Black history month provides the opportunity for everybody to begin to celebrate black people and their various accomplishments not just for the month but throughout the year.”


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ENDGBV CELEBRATES  
**BLACK HISTORY MONTH**




**Rashimma Wilson**  
TRAINING AND CURRICULUM SPECIALIST

"Black History month means honoring and celebrating the contributions of people from across the black diaspora who have created and continue to create opportunities, and an overall improved life for people of any race or background. It also means supporting communities across the black diaspora amidst the racial injustices that continues to happen in current times."



ENDGBV CELEBRATES  
**BLACK HISTORY MONTH**




**JULIAN SAMPSON**  
Emergency Housing Vouching Coordinator

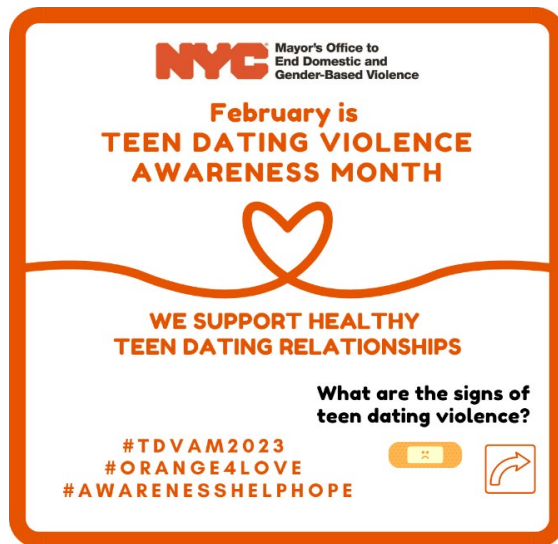
"Black History Month serves as a time for reflection, education, and celebration of the enduring global legacy of Black people.

As a person of African descent myself, I feel a deep connection the the struggles and triumphs of the Black community in America and the important role they have played in shaping the nation's history.

It means I have to continue the fight for equality, the fight against systemic racism and also highlighting the efforts those before me have put in place."



## Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month (TDVAM) Recognized in February



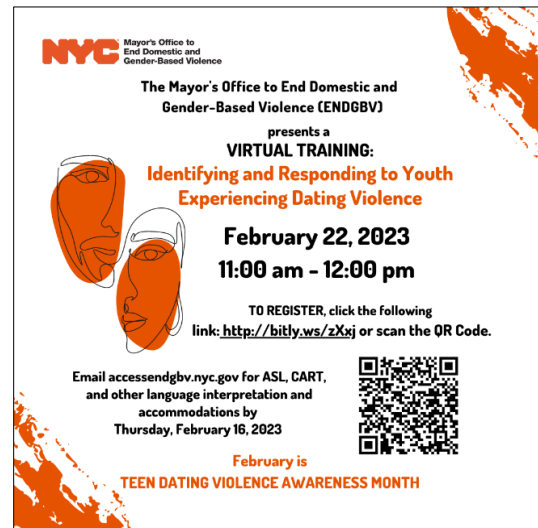
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**February is TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH**

**WE SUPPORT HEALTHY TEEN DATING RELATIONSHIPS**

**What are the signs of teen dating violence?**

#TDVAM2023  
#ORANGE4LOVE  
#AWARENESSHELPHOPE



**NYC** Mayor's Office to End Domestic and Gender-Based Violence

The Mayor's Office to End Domestic and Gender-Based Violence (ENDGBV) presents a **VIRTUAL TRAINING: Identifying and Responding to Youth Experiencing Dating Violence**

**February 22, 2023**  
**11:00 am - 12:00 pm**

TO REGISTER, click the following link: <http://bitly.ws/zXxj> or scan the QR Code.

Email [accessendgbv.nyc.gov](mailto:accessendgbv.nyc.gov) for ASL, CART, and other language interpretation and accommodations by Thursday, February 16, 2023

February is **TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH**

Every February during **Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month**, we focus our efforts on training and education prevention with our partners to center the conversation on young people, and support parents in promoting healthy relationships. Our February 22<sup>nd</sup> virtual training was held for those working with youth, and provided guidance about consent; dating abuse; navigating online safety; and how to support young people (and their families) who may be experiencing unhealthy relationships.



**TEEN TABLE TALK**

February 23  
4 PM - 6 PM  
VIA ZOOM  
<http://bit.ly/JOINPANEL>

Everyone deserves to be heard.

Moderated by Nicole Russell  
@nicolerussell

Join our virtual youth led panel to hear how teens are responding to dating violence

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Text RISE to 55444

**SAFE SPACES for EVERYONE**

TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

**RISE**  
Rise Project Innovating Justice

**NYC**  
Mayor's Office to End Domestic and Gender-Based Violence

**CMS**  
NYC Crisis Management System

We also partnered with RISE for a virtual youth led **Teen Table Talk** panel which engaged and drew feedback from a diverse group of young New Yorkers about dating violence, and how to recognize and engage in more safe and healthy relationships.

In October 2021, in partnership with the DOE, we launched a set of interactive web-based toolkits titled, **“The ABC’s of Healthy Relationships,”** to help elementary school students develop healthy relationships with their friends and classmates. To learn more, please click on **toolkits** below:

[Grades K-2 ABCs of Healthy Relationships Toolkit](#)

[ABCs of Healthy Relationships Parent Guide](#)

[Grades 3-5 ABCs of Healthy Relationships Toolkit](#)

[ABCs of Healthy Relationships Educator Guide](#)

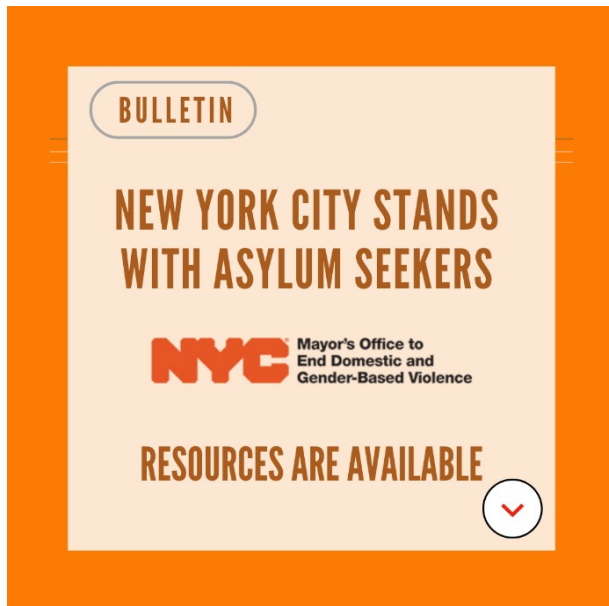
During **TDVAM**, our Outreach Team went uptown to the Polo Grounds, Harlem, NYC for the **“Love Does Not Hurt Intergenerational Dance”** to promote healthy teen relationships with the Harlem PAL, NYC Office of the Aging, DYCD and Gibney Dance. We asked attendees for a written response to, *“How do you define love?”* and received a wide range of answers.







## NYC Stands with Asylum Seekers



If you are a newly arrived asylum seeker, you can get free and confidential help accessing services and resources that will help you integrate into the New York City community at the city's [Asylum Seeker Resource Navigation Center](#). Asylum seekers can schedule an appointment through NYC shelter staff or a community-based partner office.

At the appointment, asylum seekers will have a fully confidential interview in their native language of preference with a trained case manager. The case manager will help identify their needs and connect them to services, resources, and information.

Information and service referrals include but are not limited to:

- Healthcare services and referral
- Mental health counseling
- Immigration legal services
- Health insurance enrollment
- School enrollment
- IDNYC (Municipal Identification) enrollment and more

While information and some basic services are offered at the Center, services and resources will also be provided at service providers and community-based organizations throughout the five boroughs of New York City. Please find additional information online [here](#).

## JOIN THE ENDGBV TEAM

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### Now Accepting Applications

Several exciting full-time positions are now open with our ENDGBV team. To learn how you can apply online or share our openings with your networks, visit New York City’s job bank at: <https://www1.nyc.gov/jobs/index.page> and search by Job ID number.

JOB OPENINGS	ID. NO.
1. Programs Coordinator – Bronx+	JOB ID: 554419
2. Program Coordinator – Queens+	JOB ID: 554418
3. Deputy Director, Bronx Family Justice Center	JOB ID: 547967
4. ENDGBV Fiscal Operations Intern ( <i>Click box for this Office of the Mayor Internships listing</i> )	JOB ID: 46041

## STAY TUNED

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<b>April 2023</b>	Sexual Violence Awareness Month Black Women’s History Month National Child Abuse Prevention Month
<b>April 26 (Wednesday)</b>	Denim Day
<b>April 23 – 29</b>	National Crime Victims' Rights Week 2023
<b>May</b>	Mental Health Awareness Month
<b>June</b>	Pride Month Gun Violence Awareness Month
<b>June 15 (Thursday)</b>	Elder Abuse Awareness Day

## HEAR FROM MAYOR ERIC ADAMS

*The Adams administration is dedicated to cutting through the noise and delivering information directly to you and all New Yorkers.*

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Check out NY Mayor Eric Adams' WEEK IN REVIEW [Video](#) (April 9 - 15)

Check out NYC Mayor Eric Adams' YEAR IN REVIEW [Video](#) (2022)

Check out ENDGBV's recent media coverage by going to this [link](#) on our website. Below you will also see what we are reading!

- **4-6-2023 DAILY NEWS Staffing crisis, caseloads threaten legal services for children in NYC Family Court** <https://www.nydailynews.com/new-york/ny-quality-nyc-children-legal-representation-jeopardized-family-court-20230403-cn2d6fjuabb2rmjsqhohm7i37y-story.html>
- **3-29-2023 HHS PRESS RELEASE HHS Strengthens Response to Domestic Violence through the New Office of Family Violence Prevention and Services** <https://www.hhs.gov/about/news/2023/03/20/hhs-strengthens-response-domestic-violence-through-new-office-family-violence-prevention-services.html>
- **3-18-2023 CNN DOJ seeks fast-track Supreme Court review of ruling against gun ban for people under domestic violence restraining orders** <https://www.cnn.com/2023/03/18/politics/doj-scotus-gun-ruling-domestic-violence/index.html>
- **3-15-2023 NEW YORK STATE PRESS RELEASE: NY State Announces Effort to Raise Awareness of Traumatic Brain Injuries Among Domestic and Sexual Violence Survivors** [https://www.health.ny.gov/press/releases/2023/2023-03-15\\_brain\\_injury\\_awareness\\_month.htm](https://www.health.ny.gov/press/releases/2023/2023-03-15_brain_injury_awareness_month.htm)
- **3-14-2023 TIME What True Justice Looks Like for Sexual Violence Survivors** <https://time.com/6262295/sexual-violence-survivors-justice/>



- **2-20-2023 YAHOO Marriott CEO: Human trafficking is a huge problem for hotels — here's what we're doing about it** <https://news.yahoo.com/marriott-ceo-human-trafficking-is-a-huge-problem-for-hotels-130504775.html>
  - **2-17-2023 NY TIMES This Charity Fights Sex Trafficking. Bureaucracy Might Doom It.** <https://www.nytimes.com/2023/02/17/nyregion/sex-trafficking-charity-gems.html>
- 2-17-2023 ARS TECHNICA: Domestic violence hotline calls will soon be invisible on your family phone plan** <https://arstechnica.com/tech-policy/2023/02/domestic-violence-hotline-calls-will-soon-be-invisible-on-your-family-phone-plan/>

## RESOURCES

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### HELP IS AVAILABLE

If you or someone you know is experiencing domestic or gender-based violence, help is available:

- Find resources and support in NYC by searching **NYC HOPE Resource Directory** online at [www.nyc.gov/NYCHOPE](http://www.nyc.gov/NYCHOPE).
- **NYC Family Justice Centers** offer immediate safety planning, shelter assistance, mental health support, and other resources by phone or in person. For in person services, clients can call 311 for their nearest Family Justice Center to make an appointment or visit if they cannot engage in remote services safely or effectively.
- Call 311 to be connected to the nearest NYC Family Justice Center.
- Call **NYC's 24-hour Domestic Violence Hotline** at **1-800-621-HOPE (4673)** for immediate safety planning, shelter assistance, and other resources, TTY: 866-604-5350.
- **In an emergency, dial 911.**