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## Domestic Violence Services in Ulster County

- Family of Woodstock 24-Hour Hotline (845) 338-2370  
(Crisis Intervention, Emergency Shelter 679-2485  
for Men, Women and Children, Counseling, 255-8801  
And Support Groups) 647-2443
- Family Court (845) 340-3600
- Family Court Advocate/Liaison 340-3617
- Crime Victims Assistance  
(Counseling, Intervention and Advocacy)  
Monday-Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. 340-3443  
24-hour hotline 340-3442
- Shelters for Abused Men (518) 432-8950
- Ulster County Family and  
Child Advocacy Center 334-5155  
Domestic Violence and Child Abuse Investigations
- Ulster County District Attorney 340-3280

## Statewide

- English 24-Hour Hotline 1-800-942-6906
- Espanol 7 a.m. – 11 p.m. 1-800-942-6908
- Child Protective Services Hotline 1-800-342-3720

**If someone has injured, threatened or harassed you, you may seek help from:**

- The Police
- The Ulster County Family Court
- Local Criminal Courts

**IF YOU OR YOUR FAMILY ARE IN DANGER CALL 911 IMMEDIATELY, even if you are not sure if you want to file a criminal charge.**

If you wish to make a complaint against a person who has injured, threatened or harassed you, you may proceed in either a criminal court or Family Court.

Both courts can issue you an order of protection, which can require your abuser to stay away and stop harming or threatening you.

FAMILY COURT is a civil court and its purpose is to stop violence, end family disruption, and protect you and your family. The Family Court can order custody and child support, arrange for counseling or other services, and give you an Order of Protection. You may choose to go to Family Court if you are legally married to, divorced from, have a child in common with, related to or in an intimate relationship with the abuser.

The purpose of the CRIMINAL COURT is to prosecute the offender for a crime, regardless of whether there is a past or current relationship with the person. A criminal charge must be filed, and if there is a conviction, the court may decide to order the offender into counseling or give a jail sentence. The Criminal Court can give you an Order of Protection but cannot order custody or child support.

A written complaint (a statement of what happened) must be made, no matter which court you choose.