

FREE TELEPHONE HOTLINES – SOUTH AFRICA



Domestic & Sexual Violence

People Opposed to Woman Abuse (Powa) | (083) 765 1235

Gauteng-based organisation offering shelter and counselling services to women in abusive relationships, rape survivors, survivors of incest etc. POWA is a “feminist, women’s rights organisation that provides both services, and engages in advocacy in order to ensure the realisation of women’s rights and thereby improve women’s quality of life”.

Stop Women Abuse | 0(800) 150 150

Crisis counselling for women who have been raped or abused, advice and support for people wanting to support women in need of help, legal and other options available for abused women and rape survivors. Run by Life Line.

Youth & Parenting

Childline South Africa | 0 (8000) 55 555

Childline is an effective non-profit organization that works collectively to protect children from all forms of violence and to create a culture of children's rights in South Africa.

Child Welfare South Africa | (011) 234 4837

The 24-hour hotline provides information on HIV testing, treatment, care and prevention.

Johannesburg Child Welfare Society | (011) 298 8500

The co-ordinating body for more than 260 affiliated child welfare societies, organisations and community outreach projects. It is the largest non-profit, non-governmental organisation in South Africa in the fields of child protection and child care and family development.

Police Child Protection Units | (0860) 0 10111

The South African Police Service's Family Violence, Child Protection and Sexual Offences Unit Special police units investigate violent crimes against children and offer specialised services to child victims of crime. There are units around the country.