



Domestic and Sexual Violence Services Of Carbon County (DSVS)

What does it take to become a volunteer?

Domestic and Sexual Violence Services of Carbon County's (DSVS) mission is to eliminate domestic, sexual and teen dating violence in Carbon County through awareness and prevention activities, and to provide coordinated support and services to women, children, families and communities impacted by this violence.

You can make a difference in our community and in the lives of others by sharing your time and talents. As a volunteer with Domestic and Sexual Violence Services of Carbon County (DSVS), your help supports the mission of the organization.

There are many ways to volunteer with DSVS:

1. Help by being trained and volunteering on the helpline,
2. Help accompany domestic and sexual violence survivors through the judicial system, medical and hospital services.
3. Help with mowing and gardening.
4. Help with maintenance jobs.
5. Help staff a booth or table with information about Domestic and Sexual Violence Services.
6. Help organize fundraisers and community awareness projects
7. Help by using your individual skills to move survivors towards self-sufficiency. This can be resume writing, budgeting, job search, etc.

There are many ways to volunteer. It could be as short as part or chairing of a project, or it could be taking the helpline for a night or full week. DSVS will make sure you have the training and support for your volunteer work. Please take a step toward becoming a volunteer.

Who may volunteer: Men, women and teens may apply. You must be over 18 to volunteer in direct services. Direct services include the helpline and working with survivors.

Here is what you need to do.

- Step 1.** Fill out confidential volunteer application
- Step 2.** Conduct a background check
- Step 3.** Schedule a personal interview with DSVS staff. This will assist staff in matching your volunteer efforts with your skills and interests.
- Step 4.** Attend Volunteer Advocate Training (The next training will be June 14, 16, 21 and 24th from 5:00 pm- 9:00 pm) and Saturday June 19, 2010 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
- Step 5.** Attend eight hours of shadowing accompanied by season volunteers and/or staff.

For more information please call 406-446-2296