



VICTIM SERVICE CENTER OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

August 2014

Newsletter

Let The Healing Begin Here

Staff Highlights

We are proud to announce four of our staff members became Certified Clinical Trauma Professionals. Certified Clinical Trauma Professionals are trained on ways to enhance therapeutic relationships to increase positive outcomes with clients. CCTPs use specialized techniques including relaxation, self-regulation, exposure and narrative in the treatment of traumatic stress.



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Our resident therapist, Holly Smith, was selected to present a Vulnerability Training to Universal Behavioral Center. Holly is a licensed therapist and has worked with trauma survivors for 10 years, and is passionate about expanding the knowledge base of helping professionals through her experiences and success with clients.



Outreach & Prevention

Rhonda Wilson, VSC's Prevention & Outreach Specialist, has been busy in the Central Florida community educating residents on crime and crime prevention. Rhonda had a packed month with 16 presentations in July and already has 22 presentations scheduled in the month of August. You can catch Rhonda this weekend at Mayor Jacobs Health Summit on Saturday, August 9th!

Donate



Volunteer Opportunities

- Guest Speaker - Join our Speakers Bureau and help educate the community about the many ways the Victim Service Center can help.
- Host an awareness event or fundraiser.
- Virtual Volunteer- invite others to join the the Victim Service Center team online through social media.
- Be on the look out for more volunteer opportunities!

Give New Purpose to an Old Cell Phone!

Did you know the Victim Service Center collects used cell phones and chargers for reuse?

Cell phones that are not activated can still be used to call for help during emergencies. The Victim Service Center gives the re-purposed cell phones to clients. This safety measure is a lifeline for survivors.

Help save lives! Bring your cell phone and charger to our office, and we'll take care of the rest.



Central Florida Community Foundation DonorEdge Portrait

Learn more about the Victim Service Center - visit our DonorEdge portrait, established by the Community Foundation of Central Florida - helping donors validate the organizations they support.

Click [here](#) to see our Victim Service Center portrait.

Mark Your Calendar

Join Us for our Monthly Lunch and Learn!
Last Wednesday of Every Month

Next Lunch and Learn

Wednesday - August 27, 2014
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Victim Service Center

2111 E Michigan St, Suite 210
Orlando, Florida 32806

By attending, you will learn about our history, mission, services, goals, and ways to get involved.

Please let us know by close of business Friday, August 22, 2014 if you will be attending; space is limited and lunch will be provided. We hope to see you there!

RSVP by calling (407) 254-9415 or
e-mail Rhonda.Wilson@VictimServiceCenter.org

Support Groups

The Victim Service Center offers many opportunities for empowerment. Join one of our support groups to continue your healing and growth.

Wish List Items

- New Kids Toys
- Comfortable clothing (New, please)
- Office Supplies
- Individually wrapped snacks for survivors
- Hygiene products (Thank You Clean the World!)
- Bedding - non-fitted sheets - Twin Size
- Gift Cards for client needs - Bus Passes, Wal-Mart, Target, Publix

Thank you for all of your support. Call the Victim Service Center at (407) 254-9415 if you have questions

- Healing is Happening
 - Support group for sexual assault survivors.
- Art of Healing
 - Therapy group for trauma survivors using art therapy.
- Evolve (2 groups)
 - Therapy group for adult survivors of childhood sexual abuse and incest (12-wk program)
 - Therapy group for survivors of sexual assault

If you are interested in learning more information about these groups please do not hesitate to call (407) 254-9415 to schedule an intake appointment.

Welcome to the VSC Team!

We are excited to welcome two new VSC team members, Julie Zimmerman and Madelyn Rodriguez!

Julie joins our team as the Volunteer & Events Coordinator. She will be managing our Volunteer Program and all Special Events. Julie comes to us with an extensive background in volunteer management, is a wealth of knowledge and is a joy to be around! If you'd like to learn more about the Volunteer Program, please email Julie at: Julie.Zimmerman@VictimServiceCenter.org.

Madelyn Rodriguez comes to VSC as our newest bi-lingual Sexual Assault Counselor/ Victim Advocate. She is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and her background is in working with children and adults in the mental health field. She proudly serves as Military Reserve social worker in the ARMY. If you'd like to reach out to Madelyn, please email her at: Madelyn.Rodriguez@VictimServiceCenter.org.

Welcome, Julie & Madelyn!

about how to donate these items or [visit our website](#) to learn more. Thank you for your consideration in helping to meet this need.

Outreach and Prevention

Learn how you can make your community safer! Schedule a personalized training with our Outreach and Prevention Specialist! You can find out more information about:

- Sexual Assault
- Stalking
- How Men Can Prevent Sexual Violence (Sensitivity Training)
- Crime & Crime Prevention
- Bullying
- Healthy Relationships (Teens)
- Intimate Partner Sexual Violence
- Identity Theft/Internet Safety
- Personal Safety Planning

Call (407) 254-9415 or email [Rhonda here](#) to schedule a presentation.

Victim Service Center of Central Florida

Contact Information


Hours: Monday - Friday (8AM-5PM)

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Orlando, Florida 32806**

**24-Hour Sexual Assault Hotline: (407) 497-6701
Toll Free: 1(866) 757-2046**

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