

Project Safe Place

This grant-funded program is free of charge to all who qualify.

Please call (520) 795-0300 for more information.

Referrals can be made by any front-line staff in an emergent situation and can also be submitted via email to intake@jfcstucson.org

Children 3-17

Child sexual abuse and trauma happens to children in every kind of family, neighborhood, and community. Fortunately, with the right kind of help, children can recover completely and live normal, happy lives. PSP counselors offer clinical case support to assist with community resources and personal advocacy as needed, and they use a variety of age-appropriate treatment modalities to help each child:

- Establish an atmosphere of safety.
- Experience increased well-being and reduced anxiety.
- Reduce feelings of powerlessness and self-blame.
- Encourage expression of feelings.
- Facilitate a sense of contact with and control over his or her environment.
- Encourage the development of trusting attachments.

Adults 18-50

PSP counselors support all adults who are victims (survivors) or witnesses of crime including domestic violence, sexual assault, dating/relationship violence, and stalking. Adults who were victims of abuse as children may also receive treatment in order to heal and move forward in setting and accomplishing life goals.

Adults who have experienced vicarious trauma through observation of crime scenes and/or interaction with victims (e.g., first responders, fire fighters, law enforcement officers, etc.) may be eligible for help in working through the aftermath of exposures. PSP counselors recognize the many possible issues affecting crime survivors/witnesses, including anxiety, anger, PTSD, shame, and self-destructive behavior. PSP counselors use a variety of evidence-based treatment modalities to help each survivor/witness:

- Establish an atmosphere of safety for sharing their experiences.
- Encourage the development of life and coping skills.
- Facilitate the transformation of negative behavior into positive, healthy behaviors.

Age-appropriate peer groups are offered through Project Safe Place because peer support is valuable to the recovery process, often reducing the loneliness and shame that victims can experience.

Because traumatic events don't just affect the victim, Project Safe Place includes family therapy to help family members improve communication and problem-solving skills in ways that help the victims in recovery.

The expert and compassionate counselors and other staff at JFCS of Southern Arizona provide integrated behavioral health care and social services to people of all faiths, age groups and all economic backgrounds, regardless of their ability to pay.

Clients include individuals, families, couples and seniors in crisis, victims of trauma, adult children with aging parents, and people with disabilities.

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