

DC VALUES IN ACTION

Washington, DC is an inclusive, diverse community and together we can prevent, investigate and redress acts of discrimination, hatred, and hate-based crimes. Many agencies stand ready to help build a culture where all persons feel and are safe. This resource guide should help everyone find the help they need, depending on the situation.

To report a crime in progress or that has recently occurred, always call 911.

Do not hesitate to call 911 if you feel concerned for your safety, even if you do not know whether a crime has been committed.

Reports can also be made by:

- ★ Calling or visiting a **Metropolitan Police Department (MPD)** district station; or
- ★ Calling the **Hate Crimes Hotline at (202) 727-0500**. Callers may report incidents anonymously. If you leave a contact number, someone will return the call within one business day.

In addition, the DC Victim Hotline provides free, confidential, around-the-clock information, support, and referrals for victims of all crimes in Washington, DC. Victim Assistance Specialists are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and can be contacted in three ways:

- ★ call or text **1-884-4HELPDC (443-5732)**;
- ★ chat at **DCvictim.org/chat**; or
- ★ visit: <http://dcvictim.org/about-our-services>.

Residents can also report hate-based graffiti by calling 311 to report it, or by reporting it on the 311 app. A team will be deployed promptly to clean it up.

The District's Youth Bullying Prevention Program (YBPP) actively works with school administrators and families to help address and provide support services to school communities. Bullying is unwanted, aggressive behavior that causes significant harm to the target and involves a real or perceived power imbalance.

For school-based incidents involving bias or a possible hate crime, families should contact **Suzanne Greenfield at (202) 834-6376 or email bullyingprevention@dc.gov**.

The following offices can connect residents to additional resources and supports:

- DC Office of Human Rights (OHR) - (202) 727-4559
- Mayor's Office of Religious Affairs (MORA) - (202) 442-8122
- Mayor's Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning Affairs (MOLGBTQ) - (202) 727-9493
- Mayor's Office on Latino Affairs (MOLA) - (202) 671-2825
- Mayor's Office on Asian & Pacific Islander Affairs (MOAPIA) - (202) 727-3120
- Mayor's Office on African Affairs (MOAA) - (202) 727-5634
- Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS) - (202) 442-8150