

**Delaware Opportunities Inc.
Safe Against Violence (SAV)
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Hotline Volunteer Application

Volunteering Requirements:

- In order to become a Safe Against Violence hotline volunteer, qualified applicants must first become NY State Certified Rape Crisis Counselors. This certification is obtained through completing 30 hours of training provided to you at no charge by Safe Against Violence.
- Applicants must have access to a private telephone line. Our hotline is programmed directly into the volunteer's personal telephone line during their shift. The volunteer must be the only person who answers the telephone and be able to keep the telephone line free during their hotline shift.

Agency Commitment to Diversity and Inclusion:

The Delaware Opportunities Safe Against Violence program volunteers are committed to providing residential and non-residential services to all victims of domestic violence regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, sexual orientation (to include the LGBTQ population), gender identity or expression, military status, sex, marital status, disability, predisposing genetic characteristics, political affiliation, domestic violence victim status or any other status protected by law.

Training Topics:

The training will cover topics in the areas of Rape Crisis, Domestic Violence, and Crime Victims which include:

- ▶ Information/Referrals
- ▶ Crisis counseling and client need assessment
- ▶ Effective hotline interaction tools and techniques
- ▶ Legal options
- ▶ Documentation

VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

All information is kept confidential. Please print clearly.

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Other: _____

Best time to reach you and where? _____

Email Address: _____

Check any of the following skills you possess that may be useful to SAV:

Counseling _____ Public Speaking _____ Writing Skills _____ Other _____

List any prior training or experience you would like SAV to consider:

Why do you wish to become a SAV Volunteer?

Is there a Social Issue (child abuse, domestic violence, rape, etc.) that you feel strongly about and if so, why?

Do you consider domestic violence and sexual assault prevalent in Delaware County and if so, why?

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

Please take a few minutes to complete the questions below. We are interested in learning more about you and your views. Thank you for taking the time to fill this out. We look forward to having you with us!

1. How would you define rape and domestic violence?

2. Do you have any fears or concerns about volunteering at SAV?

3. Do you feel volunteering at SAV will be beneficial to you and if so, how?

4. What do you think you will need to learn, accomplish, or change in order to become an effective SAV volunteer?

5. What do you expect to gain from the SAV volunteer training process?

6. What days/times are you available for SAV training sessions?

7. Why do you feel that you would be a good candidate for the SAV volunteer program? Please include examples of personal life experiences and/or any education you have received or are receiving regarding sexual assault and domestic violence.

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