

Our Mission

People's Place is dedicated to becoming the agency of choice to help people find their path to growth and independence. To this end, we identify the social and mental health needs of Delaware residents and facilitate the provision of services to address those needs.

High-Quality Services that Promote:

Dignity
Empowerment
Independence
Safety
Self-Esteem
Self-sufficiency

Our Values

We respect each individual's dignity.
We demonstrate ethical behavior in our attitudes, actions, and words.
We commit ourselves to teamwork, collaboration, and open and honest communication.
Empathy and compassion guide us in creating an environment of understanding and concern for all.



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"Helping people find their path to growth and independence."

Founded in 1972, People's Place, a non-profit organization, provides a wide range of mental health and social services throughout Kent and Sussex Counties as well as lower New Castle County. People's Place is a full member of United Way of Delaware and participant in the local CFC Campaign of Delaware.

Abriendo Puertas

(Opening Doors)

Abriendo Puertas is a program for Spanish-speaking adults who have experienced domestic violence and their children. The program operates a 24/7 emergency shelter with bilingual and bi-cultural staff and maintains a 24-hour bilingual domestic violence hotline. Advocacy and case management are provided for victims in shelter and in the community. Services include translation, referrals for legal services, transportation, financial empowerment classes, and assistance with social services and housing applications.

24-Hour Bilingual Hotline: (302) 745-9874

Center for Community Justice

The Center for Community Justice provides victim-offender mediation for misdemeanor crimes referred by the Criminal Justice System. Community mediation services are offered for issues such as landlord-tenant disputes, family conflicts, neighborhood issues, and employee-employer concerns.

Youth education including Conflict Resolution, Shoplifter's Alternative Course and School Offense Diversion Program are provided. A Police Diversion Program is offered for youth and adults. Trainings on mediation, negotiation, and conflict resolution are also available.

For more Information Call: (302) 424-0890

Counseling Centers

The Counseling Centers provide mental health evaluation, individual, family, and group therapy, as well as medication management to clients of all ages. Offering services in our Milford, Millsboro, Smyrna, and Seaford outpatient clinics, our therapists specialize in treating clients experiencing depression, anxiety, grief and loss, and a range of trauma-related disorders, as well as school and behavior issues. Forensic evaluations are also available by licensed psychologists. Counseling Center staff also provide prevention and therapy services to students within the Milford School District on-site during school operating hours. The Counseling Centers accept Medicaid, Medicare, Highmark Blue Cross/ Blue Shield, and Cigna insurances, as well as offer a sliding fee scale for those uninsured.

For Appointments Call:

Milford & Seaford (302) 422-8026

Millsboro (302) 934-0300

Smyrna (302) 653-2341

Family Visitation Centers

Family Visitation Centers offer a safe, secure and nurturing environment for children to access parents. Family Visitation Centers offer both supervised/monitored visitation between children and parents/guardians and monitored exchanges. Families are generally referred through Family Court or the Division of Family Services. Self-referrals are also accepted. Fees are based on a sliding scale. The visitation centers are located in Dover, Milford, and Georgetown, and operate during the weekends, holidays, and evening hours.

For More Information call: (302) 586-0944

Independent Living

The Independent Living program provides current and former foster youth, ages 16-23 the opportunity to achieve self-sufficiency, reach and maintain their maximum potential and live in a safe and healthy environment.

Services include but are not limited to assistance in the areas of job search and accessing training, educational planning, housing assistance, money management, social skills, and accessing community resources.

**For More Information Call: (302) 422-8033
ext. 176**

SAFE

(Shelter, Advocacy, Freedom & Empowerment)

The SAFE program provides services for adults who have experienced domestic violence and their children. SAFE operates 24/7 emergency shelters and hotline services providing a safe environment. Advocacy and case management are offered to individuals and families in shelter. Services include support, referrals for legal services and other community resources, assistance with social services and housing applications, transportation, financial literacy education, and other services as needed. Services are also offered to survivors in the community.

**24 Hour Hotline:
Kent & Sussex Counties (302) 422-8058**

Turning Point

Turning Point offers a broad range of services for adults and children affected by domestic violence. Our services for adults who have experienced domestic violence include individual counseling and advocacy. Community support groups are also offered in Kent and Sussex Counties. Services for children impacted by domestic violence include individual counseling with the non-abusive parent. Services for children and adult survivors of domestic violence are no cost.

Evaluations and intervention are provided for adult offenders of domestic violence and also child abuse. The program is certified through the Domestic Violence Coordinating Council (DVCC). Intervention groups are offered in Kent and Sussex Counties. Additionally, Turning Point provides Anger Management for adult offenses not related to domestic violence. Fees for these services are based on a sliding fee scale. Separating/Divorcing Parent Education, including the domestic violence component, is also offered.

For More Information Call: 302-424-2420

Veterans Outreach

Veterans Outreach provides a wide variety of services to Veterans in Kent and Sussex Counties, including transportation to area V.A. hospitals, assistance with understanding and applying for state and federal Veteran's benefits, and referrals for mental health counseling.

For More Information Call: (302) 236-5301

Whatcoat Social Services

The Whatcoat program consists of the following services:

- Ruth Dorsey Emergency Homeless Shelter
25 beds for men, women, and children
- Vera's Haven Transitional Housing
- Clothing Closet
- Food Pantry

In addition to shelter, they offer assistance finding employment, locating housing, accessing community resources and case management

For more Information Call: (302) 734-0319