



ACCESS, INC.

VICTIM LEGAL SERVICES AND SUPPORT

Access' Sexual Assault Victim Empowerment (SAVE) Legal Network of San Diego County serves at least 200 victims a year who are the most marginalized and vulnerable populations in San Diego County. The SAVE Legal Network targets the special legal needs and barriers faced by sexual assault/domestic violence survivors with an emphasis on the immigrant communities from the Filipino, Vietnamese, Middle Eastern, Indigenous Latino, and African low-income communities, in particular those who suffered non intimate partner sexual assault.

As such, the types of legal assistance include help during the legal advocacy/safety planning stage, followed by additional follow-up and preparation of the legal case to secure their safety including restraining orders, immigration assistance for VAWA, U, T visa, civil harassment orders, filings with EEOC, or assistance with filing a report with the police department as needed.

IN-PERSON WEEKLY INTAKES TEMPORARILY CLOSED DUE TO COVID-19

While we have temporarily closed our in-person intakes since mid-March 2020, we are still able to speak to immigrant and refugee victims of sexual violence remotely- doing our intakes over the phone. **For deaf or hard of hearing victims**, we are able to conduct the intake via zoom with ASL interpreters at our conference room to interpret for the victim.

REMOTE ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

You can continue to share our main line with victim referrals at **858-560-0871** and have them leave a message. Our receptionist, Cathia, is checking the messages remotely and will forward to myself and/or my legal assistant Jackie Cuevas.

FOR DEAF OR HARD OF HEARING VICTIMS: Please contact me first via email below so that I can pre-schedule the remote intake via zoom as we try not to schedule more than 2 for separate zoom appointments on our Thursday intake mornings reserved for deaf or hard of hearing victims.

For info about Access visit www.access2jobs.org. Here is an article re: SAVE LegalNetwork. <https://www.kpbs.org/news/2018/nov/01/legal-network-finds-more-immigrant-victims-sexual/>

Feel free to contact me via email at abautista@access2jobs.org with any additional questions:

In solidarity,

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