



Life Crisis Center

Looking Ahead to a Stronger, Safer 2026

As we approach the 2025 holiday season, we find ourselves reflecting on the incredible resilience of the people we serve and the unwavering generosity of those who make our work possible. Each year, thousands of victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse, human trafficking and those in crisis across the Lower Eastern Shore find the strength to take their first steps toward safety and healing. Life Crisis Center is often one of the first safe places they experience after unimaginable trauma. Each year, you help open the door. We have reached the limit of what our current space can hold, but the need for services has not stopped growing, that is why Life Crisis Center is expanding. From generous donors and grant funding from the State of Maryland, we broke ground in July 2025 and construction is well underway.

With your support this holiday season, 2026 can be the year we open the doors to a fully furnished and functional, 4,636 square foot expansion; a place where thousands of individuals will find safety, dignity, and hope.

A YEAR OF GROWTH, A COMMUNITY THAT STOOD WITH US

Whether it's \$10 or \$10,000,

every dollar protects and empowers a survivor.

All of our services are completely free for victims and we never charge fees or bill insurance.

Because of donors like you, in 2025:

- *Over 56,000 calls to our local hotline, 211 Maryland, and the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline reached our trained crisis specialists*
- *405 Survivors found safety in our legal support and advocacy they received*
- *2,067 Individuals found their voice and emotional healing through specialized counseling*
- *Families rebuilt trust through 308 hours of supervised visitation for 43 children*
- *84 children were served through our CASA program with over 3500 hours of advocacy provided by 53 volunteers*
- *154 Human trafficking survivors and families found a pathway to freedom with our case managers helping them navigate solutions*
- *4,240 Bed nights were provided to individuals needing to sleep free of the abuse*

"The future home of healing for thousands of survivors each year."



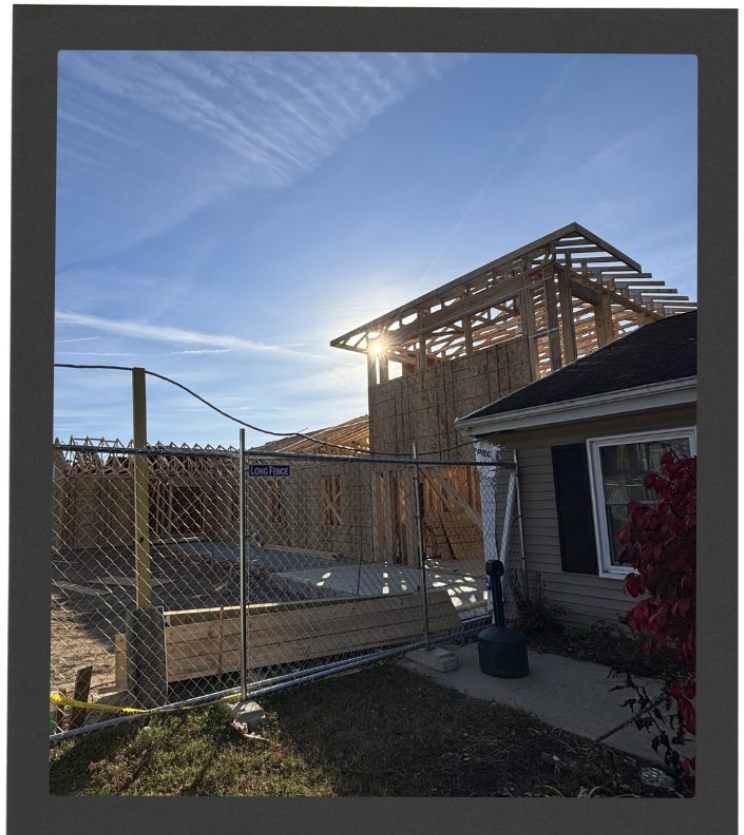
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Survivor Support Essentials

- Counseling room seating
- Trauma-informed spaces
- Children's therapy tools and sensory equipment
- Furniture
- Telehealth, technology and security equipment needs
- Wellness room and Advocacy space needs
- Group therapy and Conference room supplies and furnishings

These "essentials" are often the very things that make a survivor feel, for the first time:

"I am safe. I can heal here."



Every Dollar Matters –

Keep Our Doors Open

While we celebrate the progress of our new building, we want you to know your donation does NOT need to go toward the construction project if you choose.

In fact, operational donations keep things like our:

- Hotline operating 24/7
- Free counseling, legal advocacy and crisis intervention needs met
- Support for our program needs met and allow us to provide support to our partner agencies
- Need for food in our Safe housing for survivors 24/7
- Maintenance of Utilities, technology, transportation, and case management needs met

DONOR LEVELS AND SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



Any donation amount is welcome.

The following special opportunities reflect the # of supporters needed to fully fund each project:

\$250 – CHILDREN'S COMFORT KITS / EMERGENCY CARE KITS (UNLIMITED)

**Provides clothing, toiletries, and essential items for child and adult survivors.*

\$500 – COUNSELING SEATING OR CHILDREN'S COMFORT ITEMS (20 NEEDED)

**Funds trauma-informed seating or therapeutic sensory tools for children in counseling.*

\$1,000 – HEALING WELCOME SPACE IN OUR LOBBY (4 NEEDED)

**Supports the warm, trauma-informed lobby environment that reduces anxiety and promotes safety.*

\$2,000 – WELLNESS ROOM, LIGHTING SOLUTIONS, AND MURAL WALLS (6 NEEDED)

**Creates calming, regulation-friendly spaces by funding lighting, décor, and wellness room.*

\$2,500 – HOTLINE TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT (2 NEEDED)

**Ensures our crisis hotline stays fully operational so every call for help is answered.*

\$3,000 – STAFF INTERVENTION WORKSTATIONS (6 NEEDED)

**Provides desks, chairs, and equipment for specialized staff responding to client needs.*

\$4,000 – GROUP THERAPY TABLE AND SEATING (3 NEEDED)

**Funds the table, seating, and setup required for group therapy, survivor workshops, and classes.*

\$5,000 – SAFE HOUSE ROOM REFURBISHMENT AND ADVOCACY SPACE NEEDS (4 NEEDED)

**Supports furnishings, equipment, and essentials for families or advocacy spaces.*

\$6,000 – COMPLETE CHILD PLAY THERAPY ROOM (3 NEEDED)

**Funds the full cost of one play therapy room including art, sand, sensory, and play-based healing tools.*

(Three donors at this level fully fund the room; we are not building three rooms.)

\$7,500 – TECHNOLOGY AND SECURITY UPGRADE (7 NEEDED)

**Enhances phone systems, security, telehealth tools, and essential technology across locations.*

\$8,500 – FULL COUNSELING OFFICE SPONSORSHIP (9 NEEDED)

**Supports a fully furnished counseling office and the tools needed to deliver ongoing sessions.*

\$10,000 – COMMUNITY COLLABORATION CONFERENCE ROOM (2 NEEDED)

**Funds a comfortable, private space for meetings, partner collaboration, and client-serving coordination.*

All \$1000+ sponsors receive:

Plaque/engraving, website listing, donor preview invitation, and public recognition.

Giving is easy:

*Scan the QR code at the top of the page or
use the enclosed envelope to send your credit card information, check, or cash gift.*

49 YEARS OF HOPE, AND THE FUTURE YOU MAKE POSSIBLE



In 2026, the Life Crisis Center marks 50 years of standing beside survivors, families, and children who had nowhere else to turn. Half a century of answered calls. Half a century of doors opened in the darkest moments. Half a century of rebuilding lives, one brave step at a time. None of those steps were taken alone. Every moment of safety, every breath of relief, every chance at healing, began with someone like you.

Whether or not you have ever needed our services, your support carries extraordinary power. When you choose Life Crisis Center as your charity of choice, you choose to:

- Protect a child whose innocence was stolen.*
- Offer a mother and her children a safe night away from violence.*
- Give a survivor the courage to walk into a courtroom and reclaim their voice.*
- Answer a late-night call from someone who feels utterly alone.*
- Ensure that no one in our community is left to navigate trauma without support.*

You make sure that hope is not a privilege but a guarantee.

As we enter our 50th year, your generosity becomes part of a legacy that has saved thousands of lives and will save thousands more. You help ensure that the next person who gathers the courage to reach out will find us here ready, compassionate, and unwavering.

Thank you for standing with us. Thank you for believing that every person deserves safety, dignity, and a path forward. Thank you for being the reason our community can look to 2026 and the next 50 years with strength and hope.

*With deep gratitude,
Jamie Manning
Executive Director, Life Crisis Center*



OUR MISSION



To improve the quality of life in our community through crisis intervention and violence prevention.

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