

**Lawrence County Council of Community Services
2011 - 2012 Information & Referral Services**

Agency/Organization:	Crisis Shelter of Lawrence County
Program(s):	24 Hour Hotline (telephone & web-based); Legal & Medical Advocacy; Counseling; Emergency Shelter; Transitional Housing; Prevention Education; Community Education & Outreach; Professional Trainings
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Area(s) Served:	Lawrence County Community
Website Address:	www.crisishelter.org www.fightforzero.org
Eligibility Requirements:	Services are available to all those affected by domestic violence, sexual assault and other violent crimes including victims and their friends and family members.
Population Served:	Females and males of all ages
Statement of Services:	The Crisis Shelter of Lawrence County serves the Lawrence County community by providing critical and life-saving programming and services that focus on victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and other violent crimes; helping them when they are most vulnerable and giving them hope and resources for a brighter future. The Crisis Shelter also provides community and in-school education and primary prevention programming. We provide training programs to the faith-based community, small businesses, corporations, law enforcement, medical, social service, courthouse, legal and educational personnel.
Mission Statement:	The Crisis Shelter of Lawrence County empowers and advocates for those affected by domestic violence, sexual assault and other violent crimes. We inspire and educate citizens to create safer communities and break the cycle of violence.
Brief Overview of Services/Programs:	The Crisis Shelter strives to be a catalyst for meaningful social transformation through coordinated efforts that empower residents, engage bystanders, teach healthy behaviors and provide mentors and positive role models. Our objective is to break the cycle of violence so that children will not continue the destructive behaviors exhibited by parents and educate children, families and the community regarding vulnerability to predators and how to recognize at-risk children and intervene.

	<p>In order to address emerging needs, the Crisis Shelter keeps its finger on the pulse of the community and is evolving services and focusing programming development on strategic collaboration in the community and education activities for prevention and intervention. As the only domestic violence and sexual assault provider in Lawrence County, we foster a continuum of care network which is committed to developing and providing comprehensive victim services, cross-training of strategic partners, implementation of unique targeted awareness and prevention programs and a coordinated community response to violence and abuse. A tradition of respect and compassion reinforces the Crisis Shelter's ongoing partnerships and collaboration with over 30 county agencies, civic groups, businesses and governmental bodies. The Crisis Shelter is a leader and innovator in victim services within the state by conceptualizing and implementing several cutting-edge, first-of-its-kind prevention programs and building consensus around the concept of regional programming efforts.</p>
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