

SEXUAL/ RELATIONSHIP VIOLENCE, IN ANY FORM, IS UNACCEPTABLE AND NOT TOLERATED WITH-IN THE TOUGALOO CAMPUS COMMUNITY.

All members of the Tougaloo Campus Community share a responsibility for creating and maintaining an environment which promotes the safety and dignity of everyone. Tougaloo College encourages victims and those who witness to report all incidents of violence, stalking and sexual assault. These acts are considered crimes of violence and are motivated by the desire to exert power and control over another.

CONFIDENTIAL RESOURCES

Sharing information/seeking resources from a confidential resource will not generally be reported to Tougaloo College or law enforcement for investigation.



Tougaloo Counseling Center
601-977-7818



Tougaloo College Health and Wellness Center
601-977-6160



Tougaloo Campus Ministry
tougalo.edu/religious-life



RAINN (Rape Abuse and Incest National Network)
800-656-4673



Hinds Family Justice Center
hindscountymms.com/departments/justice-court601



SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION HOW TO ASSIST AND HELP A VICTIM

(Sexual/Relationship Violence Resources)

NON-CONFIDENTIAL RESOURCES

In addition to confidential resources, the Tougaloo Campus Community offers non-confidential resources as options for students and witnesses to report incidents of sexual assault, harassment, or misconduct. Sharing information about an incident with non-confidential resources will result in a Tougaloo College response. Tougaloo College faculty and staff members are non-confidential resources and are required to report any disclosure of sexual misconduct, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking made to them by a student to the Title IX Coordinator.

Title IX Coordinator

601-977-7899

Residential Life Staff

mkdupre@tougalo.edu

Tougaloo College Office of Public Safety

601-977-7819

601-977-7876

601-977-7817

Hinds County Sheriff Department

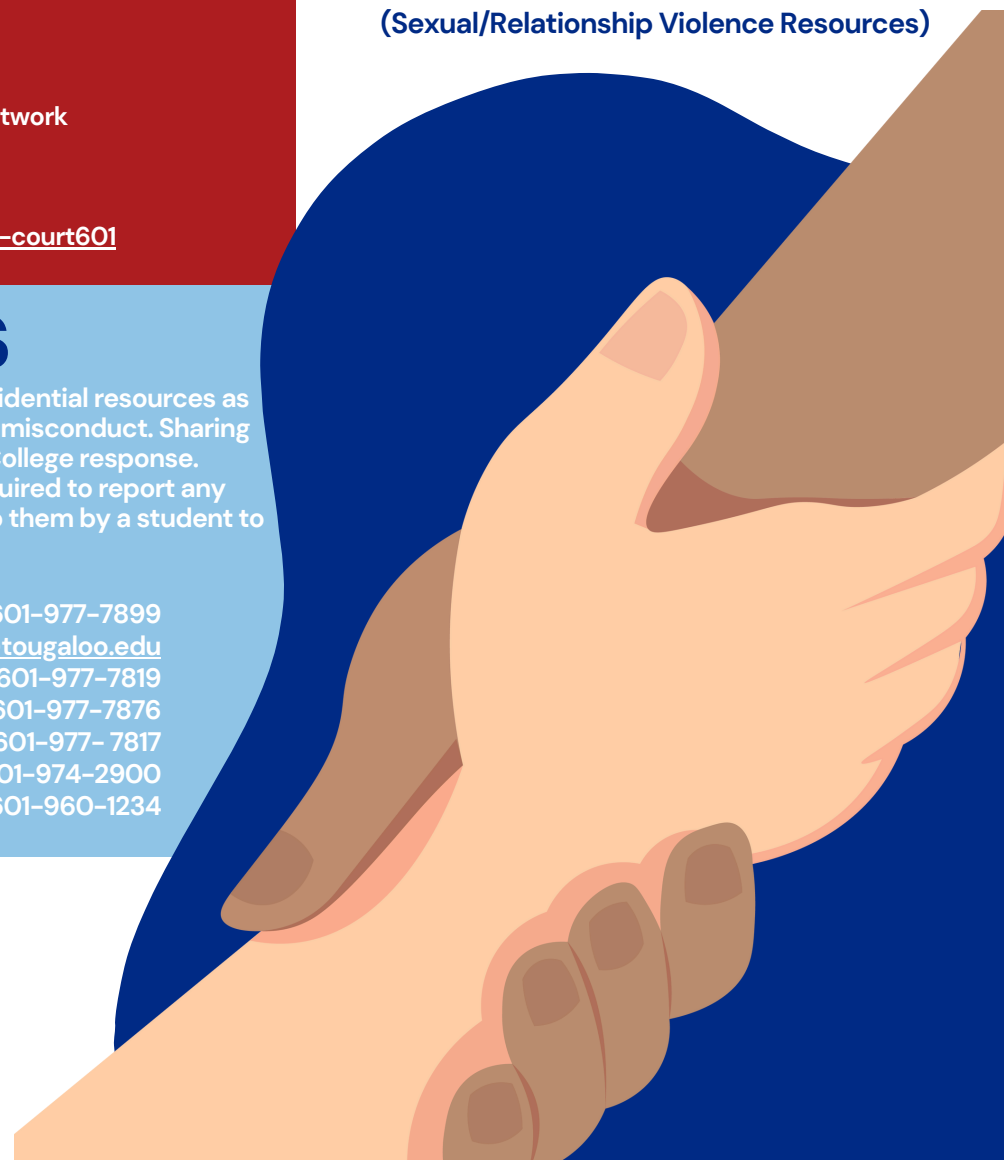
601-974-2900

Jackson Police Department

601-960-1234



**For more information
please scan here or visit:
www.tougalo.edu/title-ix**



IF SOMEONE YOU KNOW HAS BEEN THE VICTIM OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE, STALKING, OR SEXUAL ASSAULT – PLEASE CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

IMMEDIATE OPTIONS

after physical and/or sexual violence



Make sure the victim is in a safe place.

Encourage the victim to avoid washing, douching, brushing teeth, or changing clothes. While this may be difficult, preserving any evidence is important if they decide to report the assault to the police.



Call someone, whether it's a confidential or non-confidential resource.

Seek medical attention at the nearest medical center. Both St. Dominic and The University of Mississippi Medical Center (UMMC) offer emergency care and evidence collection, and both have specially trained sexual assault team available 24/7. All tests and procedures related to documenting and treating the sexual assault will be free of charge and his/her insurance will not be billed.



St. Dominic's



Consider reporting the assault to Tougaloo College and/or local police.

It is important to seek medical attention as soon as possible and ideally within 120 hours of the sexual assault. Seeking medical attention does not obligate one to report to law enforcement. An anonymous examination may be carried out, with all evidence held for one year, giving the victim time to decide whether to file a police report. Evidence may be destroyed after one year.



WHAT TO SAY...

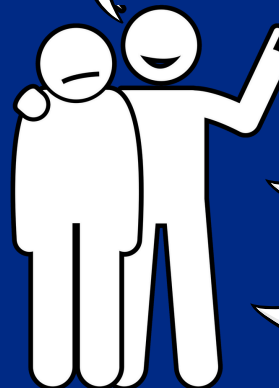
This is not your fault!

Thank you for telling me!

I am sorry this happened to you!

When you are ready, there is help available!

What kind of help do you need!



Please be mindful – If a victim turns to you for support, please encourage them to utilize resources and to consider options; be sure to allow them to make their own decisions about how to proceed.



IF MORE THAN 120 HOURS (5 DAYS) HAVE PASSED since the assault...

Seek medical attention to address any injuries or symptoms related to the violent incident.

Consider seeking confidential counseling and or pastoral support through the Tougaloo College Counseling Center and or vowed campus Ministry, or the Family Justice Center of Hinds County.

Consider reporting the assault: To file a report with Tougaloo College, visit the following campus offices:

- Office of Public Safety
- Zero Tolerance Office and
- Title IX Office

EMOTIONAL SUPPORT



- LISTEN:** Don't force a survivor to talk about the incident until they are ready in the healing process but remind them you are there if they need to talk.
- FOLLOW THEIR LEAD:** Find out what the victim wants to do to gain closure about the incident or to gain a better understanding of what happened to them. The best way to ensure the victim gets help is to suggest options and allow them to choose what they want to do.
- Make sure the victim who has survived the assault know that their experience was **NOT THEIR FAULT**.
- Make sure the victim knows you **BELIEVE THEM**.
- PROVIDE COMFORT:** Find out what the victim/survivor would like to do and what you can do to help.
- ENCOURAGE:** The victim/survivor to seek help from a trained professional.



RESOURCE LINKS: TOUGALOO

- College Human Resource Department: HR@tougalo.edu
- Tougaloo Counseling: <https://www.tougalo.edu/student-life/counseling-services>
- Tougaloo Zero Tolerance Office: [www.tougalo.edu - dmiller4@tougalo.edu](http://www.tougalo.edu-dmiller4@tougalo.edu)
- Tougaloo Department of Public Safety: <https://www.tougalo.edu/departments-public-safety>
- Tougaloo Religious Life: <https://www.tougalo.edu/religious-life>
- Owens Health and Wellness Center: <https://www.tougalo.edu/student-life/owens-health-and-wellness>
- Hinds County Justice Court: <https://www.hindscountymys.com/departments/justice-court>

Learn more about Tougaloo College Discriminatory Harassment, Sexual Harassment, and Other Sexual Misconduct Policies.