

Resource Numbers

- Emergency– 911
- Family Continuity-Senior Response Programs-800-469-9888
- Elder Abuse Hotline– 24 hour
1-800-922-2275
- Coastline Elderly Services
508-999-6400
- South Shore Elder Services, Inc.
1-781-848-3910
- Massachusetts Rehabilitation
1-800-245-6543
- Fuel Assistance Program
508-588-5440
- SafeLink 24 Hour Hotline
1-877-785-2020
- National Domestic Violence Hotline
1-800-799-7233
- National Sexual Assault Hotline
1-800-656-4673
- Llamanos Lineadeayuda
1-800-223-5001

*If you suspect that a person with a disability has been the victim of abuse or neglect by their caregivers, please call the DPPC Hotline at:
1-800-426-9009*



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Resources

Brockton Area Multi Services Inc.

BAMSI is a human services organization with programs that comprise a network of services in some of the following areas: Community Resources, Developmental Disability Services, Elderly Services and Outpatient Mental Health Services.

(508) 580-8700

Brockton Family & Community Resources

BF&CR provides free, confidential services to victims of family violence, including elders and individuals with disabilities being abused by family members/caretakers. Services include: crisis intervention, safety planning, case management, group, and counseling support through a licensed mental health clinic. Services can be provided in English, Spanish, Portuguese, Cape Verdean Creole, and American Sign Language.

(508) 583-6498

(508) 583-6498 TTY

Department of Transitional Assistance (DTA)

DTA has Emergency Aid to the Elderly, Disabled and Children. EAEDC provides cash benefits to individuals who are eligible under DTA guidelines. To find out if you are eligible contact your local DTA office.

Brockton office (508) 895-7163
Plymouth office (508) 884-5354



Disabled Persons Protection Commission (DPPC)

The DPPC is an independent state agency created to protect adults with mental and physical disabilities, between the ages of 18 and 59, from abuse or neglect by their caregivers whether in a private, family or state care setting.

In cases of suspected abuse or neglect of a person with mental or physical disabilities, the DPPC:

- Receives, screens, and refers reports of suspected abuse, neglect for investigation.
- Conducts and oversees investigations conducted on DPPC's behalf by other state agencies: Dept. of Mental Retardation, Dept. of Mental Health and the MA Rehab Commission.
- Provides free training on recognizing and reporting abuse of persons with disabilities.
- Cases involving criminal activity are referred by the DPPC's State Police Unit to the DA's Office and local police for investigation.

**24 hr hotline
Office**

**800-426-9009 V/TTY
617-727-6465 V/TTY**

Old Colony Elder Services

OCES is a private non-profit corporation, designated as an Aging Services Access Point. OCES provides a wide variety of services including, but not limited to, information & referral, home care services, caregiver support, home delivered meals, protective services, and case management. The goal of these supportive services is to enable the elder to remain independent in the community. OCES services many area towns including: Abington, Brockton, Bridgewater, East Bridgewater, Whitman and West Bridgewater.

(508) 584-1561



Safety & Awareness

Plymouth District Attorney's Office

The District Attorney's Office is responsible for the enhanced prosecution of domestic violence and sexual assault offenders, including those who victimize the elderly or persons with disabilities. There is an ADA and an Advocate specifically assigned to these cases. They will be able to explain the criminal process to you, explain the status of the case, assist you with a victim witness impact statement, and provide you with resources.

The District Attorney's Office partners with the Sheriff's Dept., local Councils on Aging, police & fire departments to form what is known as TRIAD. The goal of TRIAD is to increase senior safety and reduce senior victimization. The DA's Office offers a "File of Life" program free of charge to all residents of Plymouth County.

Main Office (508) 584-8120
Elder/Disabled Advocate (508) 894-6317

Plymouth County Sheriff's Department

The Sheriff's Dept. has a Victim Services Unit to assist you if you are the victim of a crime and the offender becomes incarcerated.

The Sheriff's Dept. is a partner in TRIAD, along with the District Attorney's Office, local Councils on Aging, police & fire departments. The goal of TRIAD is to increase senior safety and reduce senior victimization. The Sheriff's Dept. provides a free computerized telephone reassurance program to check on elders in the community.

(508) 830-6387
(508) 830-6200