

Crisis- Resources for Teens

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1) Crisis Center of Gainesville (at Alachua County Health Department):

Address: 218 SE 24th St

Phone Numbers available 24/7:

(352) 264-6789

Toll- Free: 1-800-SUICIDE (784-2433) or 1-800-273-TALK (8255)

Spanish speakers can call: 1-877-SUICIDA

Website: <http://crisiscenter.alachua.fl.us/>

Services:

- 24-hour telephone crisis intervention and counseling service by trained volunteers
- Short-term crisis counseling is available by appointment (during regular business hours 8:30 AM to 5PM Monday thru Friday) or on an emergency walk-in basis.
- Emergency mobile outreach team of experienced volunteers who respond to people in crisis whenever face-to-face contact is essential. Can be requested by law enforcement, physicians or concerned family members
- Survivors of Suicide Support Group meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 6:30-8:30 for all persons who have been touched by suicide.
- Hundreds of workshops and lectures about suicide and crisis

2) Meridian Behavioral Healthcare:

Address: 4300 SW 13th St.

Phone numbers available 24/7:

(352) 374-5600

Toll Free: 1-800-330-5615

Website: www.mbhci.org

Services:

- Emergency calls are handled immediately and persons with emergent clinical needs are immediately directed to appropriate care.
- Services include Crisis Stabilization unit, medical, mental health, substance abuse and other specialized area services
- The Recovery Center is a 16-bed Residential Treatment program treating male adolescents with a substance abuse diagnosis.
- Crisis Stabilization unit serves as an alternative to long-term inpatient hospitalization by providing brief, intensive stabilization services within the geographic area of the person's home, enabling involvement of the individual's available support system.
- Outpatient counseling services available (both on-site and in-clinic appointments)

3) Shands at Vista

Address: 4101 NW 89th Blvd

Phone Numbers available 24/7:

(352) 265-5497

Toll Free: 1-888-391-7181

Website: <http://shands.org/hospitals/vista>

Services:

- 81 bed psychiatric hospital providing confidential services for behavioral health problems
- Must have private insurance, typically Vista does not take Medicaid or self-pay

4) Office of Victim Services and Rape Crisis Center (at Alachua County Health Dept)

Address: 218 SE 24th St

Phone Numbers available 24/7:

(352) 264-6760

Toll Free: 866-252-5439

Website: <http://www.alachuacounty.us/Depts/CCS/VictimServices/Pages/VictimServices.aspx>

Services:

- Services to victims of sexual battery, domestic violence, survivors of homicide victims, attempted murder, adult survivors of sexual assault, child victims of sexual violence, robbery assault, DUI and DWI traffic fatalities
- Support groups available
- Advocates available 24/7 to accompany victims of sexual battery to the hospital for the initial rape examination and evidence collection
- Provide confidential HIV testing
- MySpace and Facebook webpages available for those who do not feel comfortable talking with someone in person. Victims are able to chat confidentially online with a counselor using MySpace Instant Messenger.
 - o MySpace page: <http://www.myspace.com/victimrapecrisiscenter>.
 - o Facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/home.php#!/search/?o=2048&q=sahn%alachuacounty.us>

5) Peaceful Paths

Address: 2100 NW 53rd Ave

Phone Numbers available 24/7:

(352) 377-8255

Toll Free in FL: 1-800-393-SAFE (7233) or National: 800-799-7233

Website: www.peacefulpaths.org

Services:

- Local organization to help victims of domestic violence
- Services include crisis hotline, emergency shelter, support groups, victim advocacy, transitional housing, children's programs, and batterers intervention program.
- Shelter services include emergency food and clothing, emergency safety planning and individualized service plan for survivors who are in the shelter over 72 hours
- Facebook page: www.facebook.com/PeacefulPaths

6) Project Safe Place in Florida (Youth Crisis Center)

Location: Over 80 locations in Gainesville (indicated by a Safe Place yellow sign)

Phone Numbers available 24/7:

800-854-5377

(352) 244-0666 in Gainesville to connect to Youth Talk

Website: www.safeplaceservices.org and <http://www.cdsfl.org>

Services

- Nation youth outreach program that educates thousands of young people every day about the dangers of running away and trying to solve difficult situations on their own.
- Provides a safe place for those in crisis, in danger, or homeless.
- Interface Youth Program: 3 shelters for runaways, truant and troubled youth, one location is in Gainesville. Provides shelter, food, clothing and counseling 24 hours a day
- Provides family counseling, drug abuse counseling and other outpatient services

7) Florida Abuse Hotline

Phone Numbers available 24/7:

Toll Free: 800-393-SAFE (7233)

Website: <http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/abuse/>

Services:

- Hotline to report suspected or known child abuse or neglect.
- Website has information for families and health care professionals.

8) National Runaway Switchboard

Phone Numbers available 24/7:

1-800-RUNAWAY

Website: <http://www.1800runaway.org>

Services:

- Call 1-800-RUNAWAY if you are a teenager who is thinking of running from home, if you have a friend or family member who has run and is looking for help.
- It is a confidential hotline