

SINCE 1974, NORTH COUNTY RAPE CRISIS AND CHILD Protection Center has been working to end sexual violence and child abuse in our communities. The Center's mission is to reduce the incidence of and vulnerability to sexual assault and child abuse by providing education and prevention skills to community children and adults, and to alleviate the trauma experienced by survivors of these crimes by providing direct services. We believe that ending sexual violence, child abuse, and the attitudes that surround it is everyone's job.

Intervention / Direct Services

- ❖ 24-Hour Hotline
- ❖ Information & Referrals
- ❖ Emotional Support
- ❖ Accompany survivors to SART facilities, hospital, law enforcement and court
- ❖ Advocacy
- ❖ Individual Counseling
- ❖ Survivor Support Group

Education / Prevention Services

- ❖ ChildSAFE school-based workshops to students from preschool to high school
- ❖ Presentations teaching children, adolescents and adults personal safety skills
- ❖ Mandated Reporter Trainings
- ❖ Self-Defense Workshops

Service Area

Lompoc, Santa Maria, Orcutt, Guadalupe, Los Alamos, Los Olivos, Buellton, Solvang, Santa Ynez Vandenberg AFB



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a world where all children are loved and cared for, and all people are safe

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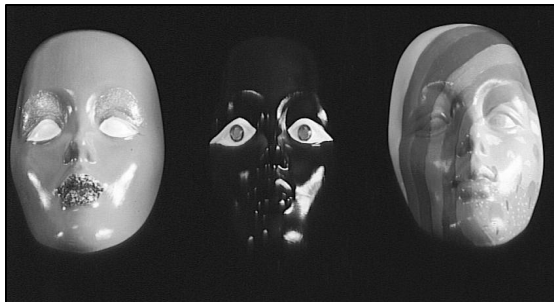
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The Center has always looked towards long-term stability as the key to ensuring that our services will continue to be provided to those in need. We have been fortunate to have flourished over the years, despite fluctuations in state, federal, and local funding, as we stay true to the Center's mission. We are not a large agency, but we reach thousands of people each year through our education/prevention and crisis intervention services. It was only in 2006 that we were able to take the next step and begin the process of purchasing a building of our own. With the generous support of a former volunteer and local business person, we negotiated the purchase of a wonderful building to house our administrative office and Lompoc services. Together with the Santa Maria office, we continue to provide our services to all people in northern Santa Barbara County.

The total purchase price of our new building is \$330,000. The Center, through its long-range planning, will be able to cover \$60,000 of that amount. We now have a two-year window to raise the remaining funds. As the **IMAGINE** Committee plans to approach foundations and other funding sources, it is crucial that we demonstrate substantial community support for this project as well. Our goal is to raise at least \$60,000 in the coming year, and we are asking for your support to make this a reality.

The survivor support group is just one of the services offered in both the Lompoc and Santa Maria offices. The group process consists of a 12-week closed group and an open group held monthly to which all current and past group participants are invited. Each closed group culminates in a mask project in which clients express their feelings.



Karrie's Masks

These three masks represent the present, past and future to me. The first mask is about presenting the perfect woman, beautiful and together but her eyes are empty, her soul is not present. The middle mask represents all the darkness I have seen and my eyes are wide open to it. The last mask represents peace, joy and life. This is where I am journeying to and will soon arrive.



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Stephanie's Mask

I painted my mask purple because that is the color of the ribbon that I wore when I spoke at the vigil and told my story to Lompoc. After that day, I felt as if my whole face was painted purple for good. I painted a sparkling tear because even though I have come a long way, there will always be tears and after the tears there is something wonderful—freedom.