

## Artemis Center COVID-19 Response: UPDATE 3/23/20

Governor Mike Dewine announced a "shelter in place" order on Sunday, March 22nd . This order was created to keep families safe from the spread of COVID-19. We know that not everyone is safe in their own home, and want to ensure that survivors are getting the services that they need, when they need them. The order's first item states: "Individuals whose residences are unsafe or become unsafe, such as victims of domestic violence are permitted and urged to leave their homes and stay in a safe alternate location."

If you, or someone you know needs help, please call the Artemis Center hotline at **937-461-HELP (4357). Our hotline is operated 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.** We know that there is a high potential for an increase in danger for domestic violence survivors at this time, and we will continue to support those who need safety planning and referrals through our 24/7 hotline.

Those who need help finding an alternate safe location, we can help refer to local shelters, or help find another safe location for you and your family.

Our work never stops, and we will be here to help those that need it most.

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Artemis Center recognizes the COVID-19 crisis may be leaving many suvivors feeling isolated. Remember that you are not alone, and various supports are available to you. In addition to our local **24/7 hotline 937-461-HELP (4357),** the following community-specific helplines are available to offer assistance:

**StrongHearts Native Helpline:** for domestic/sexual violence is available 7am-10pm CT, confidential, and specifically for Native communities:1–844-762-8483

**Trans LifeLine:** for peer support for trans folks 9am-3am CT:1-877-565-8860 This hotline is staffed exclusively by trans operators is the only crisis line with a policy against non-consensual active rescue.

**Deaf Hotline:** is available 24/7 through video phone (1-855-812-1001), email and chat for Deaf, DeafBlind, DeafDisabled survivors.

**National Parent Helpline:** Monday-Friday 12pm-9am CT emotional support and advocacy for parents:1-855-2736



## Artemis Center COVID-19 Building and Services Statement Update (3/20/20):

Artemis Center will remain steadfast in our commitment to serving survivors 24/7. As the situation with COVID-19 evolves, we have decided to suspend all in-person services. Our building will be closed effective Friday March 20, 2020 at 12:00pm until further notice. Our trained and compassionate staff will always be available through our **24/7 hotline at 937-461-HELP (4357).** This decision was made to ensure that we are doing everything we can to protect the health and safety of our staff and clients.

If you, or someone you know needs help call our hotline at 937-461-HELP (4357). We will continue to update any service changes on our website and social media.

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Artemis Center is committed to keeping families safe. We will work diligently to make sure there is a seamless transition as we navigate this situation that is changing daily.

Thank you for your patience and support as we move forward. Our work never stops, and we will be here to help those that need it most.

Many have reached out to ask how they can help. We appreciate the response and for now, we are asking you to please contact Kelly Sexton at kellys@artemiscenter.org with any questions regarding donations. Needed Items:

## Non-Perishable Food Items-

Snacks Peanut Butter Pasta and Sauce Cereal Canned Foods Cleaning Supplies-Paper Towels Disinfectant Spray Clorox Wipes

> **Other Items**-Baby Wipes Toilet Paper

You can also support us by making a monetary donation on line, this type of support will ensure that Artemis advocates are always ready to help clients and their families get and stay safe. Please visit:

www.artemiscenter.org/donate

to make an on-line donation.