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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND CHILD ABUSE

Incident Management wants to provide the community with resources around domestic violence and child abuse. This is a time of concern for all of use, but especially those living with an abuser. You are not alone and there are resources available to you. If you are experiencing domestic violence or know someone that is or if you need help with child abuse issues, below are a couple of resources that are available during this time:

- Women's Shelter (574) 294-1811
 - Women's Shelter provides a safe place for victims and children escaping violent households to live, including food and clothing. The shelter is a nondiscriminatory agency that offers services free of charge to victims of family violence and other crimes. Shelter services include crisis intervention, a safe environment for victims and children, counseling and emotional support, a children's program, and services to help with the transition out of an abusive environment.
- Victim's Assistance (574) 523-2237
 - The Victim Assistance Services program offers services free of charge. The program provides support group for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Additional services include answering questions; accompanying victims to the hospital, police station or court; providing information for victims and abusers; and referrals to other support agencies.

For help with issues with child abuse the following resources are available:

- CAPS programs Healthy Families, Parent Aide, Triple P (574) 295-CAPS (2277)
 - www.capselkhart.org
- The Source 800-273-8255 or text Help to 741741
 - www.thesourceelkhartcounty.com

To report incidences of child abuse, you may call DCS at 800-800-5556.

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