




WRITING TO YOUR LAW MAKERS

Communicating your priorities to legislators is one of many ways to contribute to the shift from a culture that condones and perpetuates sexual violence to one that calls it out and condemns it. Below is a sample letter that you can tweak to include information you want your law makers to know.



Dear _____,
I am a constituent living in _____ County, and I wanted to reach out to make sure you keep survivors of sexual violence in mind as you serve in your legislative role. Forty-seven percent of Kentucky women and twenty percent of Kentucky men have experienced sexual violence in their lifetimes. It is so important that we work to ensure that survivors have the support and resources that they need, and that we work to reduce the prevalence of sexual violence in our communities.

Every county in Kentucky is served by a regional rape crisis center. Rape crisis centers provide critical points of access to survivors, providing everything from a 24/7 hotline, meeting survivors at the hospital when they go to receive care, accompanying survivors to court, and providing ongoing counseling and therapy services.

Additionally, these centers often provide prevention education in their local communities, helping to create communities free from sexual violence! These centers are often understaffed and underfunded. If you haven't, please consider reaching out to your local rape crisis center to learn more about what they need. In _____ County, we are served by _____.
Please see the attached map for additional information.

Thank you for your time.

