



The Power of X is Respect and Safety for All

At Xavier, we support the wellbeing of our Xavier Campus community by promoting an environment of respect and safety for all. We believe that prevention is the primary means to achieve this objective. Beginning at freshmen orientation and continued over the course of your years at Xavier, you will be offered various learning opportunities and services designed to prevent behaviors that could jeopardize the physical and emotional wellbeing of our students. We encourage everyone to engage in respectful and safe behaviors and to work together to support the Power of X – The Power of Respect and Safety.

We offer services in the event that any member of the Xavier community has become a victim of harassment, stalking, relationship violence, sexual assault, bullying, etc. As with any traumatic event, victim/survivors of harassment and violence can experience an array of feelings and reactions. If this happens to you - you may experience difficulties in your academic/work life and/or your personal life. It is helpful to have a strong support system made up of friends, family, a counselor, support group and/or an advocate. Xavier advocates are available to assist you. Often violence affects those close to the person who was victimized. The Xavier Advocate Program is also available to provide support and information to the friends, family and partners of survivors.

To contact an advocate, call **513-745-1000** (24-hours) or drop by the Women's Center (Monday-Friday, 2:00-3:00 p.m.) Tell them you want to talk to an Advocate, and indicate that you are an undergraduate student, graduate student or employee.

What is a Xavier advocate? Xavier advocates have received extensive training on crisis counseling, campus and community resources, relationship violence, harassment, sexual violence, stalking and how these experiences affect individuals. Advocates are there **for you!** An advocate is available 24 hours a day to provide **confidential** support and information to survivors and the friends and family of survivors. The Xavier Advocate Program is based on the empowerment model, whereby it endeavors to restore personal power and dignity to survivors of interpersonal violence and harassment by providing support, information, options and decision-making opportunities during crisis and recovery. Calling an advocate is often the **first step in healing and moving forward**. Remember, you are not alone. There are people here to help. **Calling an advocate does not mean you are reporting the crime.**

An advocate can provide you with:

• Emotional support	• Assistance in identifying your options.
• Accompaniment to the hospital, police, etc.	• Assistance in developing a safety plan.
• Referrals to campus and community resources.	• Follow-up support and advocacy.
• Help explaining processes like reporting, University disciplinary procedures and/or obtaining a forensic exam.	

**Xavier Advocacy and Response Facilitation (Xavier's Advocate Program).
Call 513-745-1000 and request a Xavier advocate. For general information,
email ghee@xavier.edu – Dr. Anna Ghee.**