

SECTION 4 LOSS, GRIEF AND TRAUMA

Online Resources

Grief Net

On-line support provided people working through loss and grief issues on many kinds. Click on Adult Support groups to join an email grief support group.

www.grief.net.org

KidsAid

KIDSAID.com, a companion to grief.net provides a safe environment for grieving kids and their parents to find information and ask questions.

The Children's Room

The Children's Room provides support to children, teens, young adults, and families who have experienced a significant loss, such as the death of a parent, sibling or child.

P: (781) 641-4741

www.childrenroom.org

The Compassionate Friends – South Shore Chapter

The mission of this organization is to assist families toward the positive resolution of grief following the death of a child of any age and to provide information to help others be supportive. Monthly support groups are offered free of charge in Hingham and Needham.

<http://www.tcf-southshore.org/>

The CIRCLE

Provides a comprehensive family bereavement support program after the death of a loved one.

P: (617) 414-4005

www.goodgriefprogram.org

Living After Murder (LAMP) – Beth Israel Hospital

On-going counseling for individuals who have lost someone to murder.

P: 617-541-3790

MassGeneral Hospital for Children Club STAR

Club STAR: Sharing Together and Remembering is a bereavement support group for children ages 5-18 grieving the loss of a sibling or parent. (A group for parents/caregivers runs concurrently.)

55 Fruit St, Boston, MA 02114

(617) 643-9276

<http://www.mghpcs.org/socialservice/SupportGroups/Bereavement.asp>

National Students of AMF Support Network

National Students of AMF (supporting one another and Actively Moving Forward) connects and empowers college students grieving the illness or death of a loved one.

<http://www.studentsofamf.org>

Summer Camps for Bereaved Children and Teens

Comfort Zone Camp

A free bereavement camp for children ages 7-17 who have experienced the death of a parent, sibling, or primary caregiver.

www.comfortzonecamp.org

Circle of Tapawingo

Provides a one-week, overnight camp program in Massachusetts and Maine for girls ages 8-13 who have experienced the death of a parent.

2251 Commonwealth Ave, Auburndale, MA 02466

(781) 820 – 3388

www.circleoftapawingo.org

Jeff's Place and Manitou Camp Experience

Serving MetroWest Boston, MA, offers peer-support group for bereaved children, teens and families.

Manitou Experience is a free, week-long overnight camp for grieving boys. Camps are held in Maine and California.

34 Deloss Street, 2nd Floor Wayland, MA 01702

(508) 879-2800

<http://www.jeffsplacemetrowest.org>

Trauma

The National Mental Health Association website provides “Coping with Disaster” for trauma issues. <http://nmha.org/reassurance/anniversary/index.cfm>

The Trauma Center at Justice Resource Institute (JRI): The trauma center provides comprehensive services to traumatized children and adults and their families. Its mission is to re-establish a sense of safety and predictability in their world. They also have links to various trauma related topics and resources.

P: (617) 232-1303

www.traumacenter.org

www.traumacenter.org/links.html

Children's Charter Trauma Clinic: An outpatient clinic for victims of trauma and their families.

P: (781) 894-4307

www.key.org/childcharter.asp

Children's Advocacy Center: The Children's Advocacy Center unites public, private and community partners to promote safety, healing and justice for child victims and their families.

P: (617) 779-2146

<http://www.suffolkcac.org/>

Massachusetts Office of Victim Assistance

The mission of MOVA is to advocate for and assist victims of crime in Massachusetts. Provides referrals, information and advocacy for victims.

617-586-1340

www.mova.state.ma.us

Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Resources

Massachusetts SafeLink

Domestic Violence 24 hour hotline

P: 1-877-785-2020

Massachusetts Rape Crisis Center

24-hour hotline

P: 1-800-841-8371

Boston Area Rape Crisis Center

This agency can provide confidential support to victims of assault and rape. P: 1(800) 841 – 8371 (24-hour hotline)

www.barcc.org

DOVE

This agency can provide confidential support to victims of assault and domestic violence. P: (617) 471 – 1234 24-hour hotline

P: (617) 328 – 0639 Community advocacy and prevention

<http://dovema.org/>