

Mandated Reporting of Child Abuse

If you are aware that a child is in immediate danger: Call 9-1-1

If you suspect or know a child is being, or has been abused, call the child abuse hotline for the area:

1-833-900-7233 Washoe County only

1-833-803-1183 All other NV counties

To Report Sexual Abuse of Minors or Vulnerable Adults by Priests, Deacons, Religious or by any Employee or Volunteer of the Diocese of Reno, first call the child abuse hotline, then report allegations to the Victim Assistant toll free number: **1-844-669-8911** (voice).

Please provide a phone number so that a return call can be made.

If you need the help of a Victim's Advocate you may call: Patty Noyes, LMFT: **1-844-669-8911**.

It is the policy of the Diocese of Reno to adhere to all civil and state regulations regarding the reporting of any allegation of abuse of a minor. The child abuse reporting mandate is imposed on any individual who comes into contact with children in the course of his or her work, volunteerism, or professional practice. Those who serve in staff/volunteer positions interacting with children in any Church-related institution are obligated to immediately make a report to the proper civil authorities. Then notify the Victim's Advocate.

The mandate to report to child welfare services applies to all suspected child abuse, not just abuse that has been perpetrated by Church personnel.