



## Resources for San Mateo County Victims of Traumatic Violence

On Monday, January 23, 2023, a mass shooting in Half Moon Bay resulted in the deaths of seven community members. We join millions around the country mourning the tragic and horrible loss of life in Half Moon Bay. With eight members of the Asian and Latino communities killed or injured, we not only send our condolences but are also identifying resources for those who are hurting.

If you or someone you know is in need of support, please share this guide. It contains immediate resources for victims, mental health resources, legal resources, and local organizations. Many resources are specific to the AAPI/Latino community in San Mateo County, while some resources are available to anyone in the state or country.

If you have resources to share or other feedback, please email Eunice Kim at Stop AAPI Hate ([ekim@stopaapihate.org](mailto:ekim@stopaapihate.org)). For any additional inquiries, please email ([community@stopaapihate.org](mailto:community@stopaapihate.org)).

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## RESOURCES FOR VICTIMS AND IMPACTED COMMUNITIES

### [County of San Mateo - Victim Services Division](#)

<https://www.smcgov.org/da/victim-services>

The Victim Services Division provides support to victims of crime and their families. Victim Advocates care for the victim's physical, emotional and financial needs after a crime. Interpretation is available for Mandarin, Cantonese, and Spanish speakers. Contact them by calling: 650-599-7479 or email: [victimservices@smcgov.org](mailto:victimservices@smcgov.org).

### [County of San Mateo Behavioral Health and Recovery Services](#)

<https://www.smchealth.org/bhrs>

San Mateo County Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) provides services for residents who are on Medi-Cal or are uninsured including children, youth, families, adults and older adults, for the prevention, early intervention, and treatment of [mental illness](#) and/or [substance use conditions](#). Interpretation is available for Mandarin, Cantonese, and Spanish speakers. For consultation, assessment and referrals, call the Access Call Center: 800-686-0101, TDD: 800-943-2833.

[Health Equity Initiatives: https://www.smchealth.org/health-equity-initiatives](#): The 9 Health Equity Initiatives (HEI) were created to focus on health disparities in access and quality of care for underserved, unserved, and inappropriately served cultural and ethnic communities and identify the workforce development needs of the staff of these communities. HEI Schedule:

[https://www.smchealth.org/sites/main/files/file-attachments/hei\\_meeting\\_schedule\\_final.pdf?167590156](https://www.smchealth.org/sites/main/files/file-attachments/hei_meeting_schedule_final.pdf?167590156)

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- Chinese Health Initiative: <https://wwwsmchealth.org/chinese-health-initiative>
- Filipino Mental Health Initiative: [smchealth.org/filipino-mental-health-initiative](https://www.smchealth.org/filipino-mental-health-initiative)
- Pacific Islander Initiative: [smchealth.org/pacific-islander-initiative](https://www.smchealth.org/pacific-islander-initiative)

Office of Diversity and Equity Prevention Trainings. Please contact Twila Dependahl at [tdependahl@smcgov.org](mailto:tdependahl@smcgov.org).

- Be Sensitive Be Brave (suicide prevention training)- training in Mandarin
- Be Sensitive Be Brave (mental health training)- training in Mandarin
- Mental Health First Aid (youth and adult) training – training in Mandarin and Cantonese

### [California Civil Rights Division \(CRD\)](#)

CRD states that regardless of what the police investigation determines regarding this horrific shooting, the community is experiencing this tragedy in the context of an increase in hate incidents and crimes and they are committed to respond to the needs of the communities they serve.

- CA vs. Hate Resource Line and Network: A non-emergency hate incident and hate crime reporting hotline and online portal established to support individuals and communities targeted for hate. You can connect with a trained care coordinator who can help you navigate social and legal services and support. Regardless of whether someone is a victim of a crime, if someone is targeted for hate or discrimination or need support regarding hate they can reach out to by phone at 833-8NO-HATE (833-866-4283) or <https://stophate.civilrights.ca.gov>
- Languages Available: On-line, people can access a reporting form seeking assistance in 15 languages, including Chinese (Traditional), Chinese (Simplified), Hindi, Japanese, Korean, Punjabi, and Tagalog. If you call the hotline, you will be served via a translation service with support in over 200 languages.
- Website Links: General Information about CA vs. Hate: <https://civilrights.ca.gov/ca-vs-hate-page/>

CA vs. Hate Resource Line and Network: <https://stophate.civilrights.ca.gov>

Fact Sheet: Hate Violence (in Chinese and 13 other languages): [Ralph-Fact-Sheet\\_CH.pdf \(ca.gov\)](#)

#### [The California Victim Compensation Board](#) (CalVCB)

CalVCB is a state program dedicated to providing financial compensation for many crime-related expenses. Victims who suffer physical injury, threat of physical injury or emotional injury as a direct result of a violent crime may qualify for assistance. Those who witnessed the crime, and may be traumatized by it, and family members of victims may also qualify. CalVCB can cover up to \$70,000 in reimbursements. To learn more, visit [www.victims.ca.gov](http://www.victims.ca.gov) or call: 1-800-777-9229.

- [CalVCB fact sheet in English and Spanish](#)
- [CalVCB fact sheet in simplified Chinese](#)

#### [California Department of Justice – Victims’ Services Unit](#)

<https://oag.ca.gov/victimservices>

The California Department of Justice’s Victims’ Services Unit (VSU) assists victims and survivors, connecting them with state and local resources. Additionally, VSU supports all 58 counties’ government and

community based victims and social services providers with client-centered, trauma-informed, and culturally sensitive services. Contact them by calling: 877-433-9069; email: [VictimServices@doj.ca.gov](mailto:VictimServices@doj.ca.gov).

## **MENTAL HEALTH**

### [NAMI - San Mateo](#)

<https://namisanmateo.org/>

NAMI is a non-profit 501(c)(3) exempt organization governed by a dedicated volunteer Board of Directors. NAMI advocates for persons with mental illness and their families and are staffed Monday through Friday from 9am to 3pm. NAMI SM has a working Warmline, currently in English, Spanish, Cantonese and Mandarin, available to all San Mateo County residents, that offers an empathetic ear to answer calls which may include offering education, classes and support groups or providing other available resources in the community that will meet their specific needs free of charge. Contact NAMI to request support through the Warm Line: (650-638-0802) or for questions call the Office Line: 650-638-0800. You can also reach NAMI through their email: [nami@namisanmateo.org](mailto:nami@namisanmateo.org).

### [Anise Health](#)

<https://www.anisehealth.co/>

Anise Health provides AAPI therapists paired with coaches to provide culturally responsive mental health treatment. Get started by completing the Client Application here:

<https://patient.anisehealth.co/patients/onboarding>. Contact Anise Health at [info@anisehealth.co](mailto:info@anisehealth.co).

### [Yellow Chair Collective](#)

<https://yellowchaircollective.com>

The Yellow Chair collective is offering free therapy sessions to those who have been directly affected by the Half Moon Bay tragedy. These free sessions are offered in English, Mandarin Chinese, and Korean. To inquire, please email [info@yellowchaircollective.com](mailto:info@yellowchaircollective.com) or call: 213-222-8402.

### [Mental Health Association for Chinese Communities](#)

<https://www.mhacc-usa.org>

Mental Health Association for Chinese Communities (MHACC) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, also known as NAMI Chinese, a featured affiliate of NAMI CA (National Alliance on Mental Illness California). Their mission is to provide support, education, and advocacy for people with mental health issues in the Chinese American community. They provide a free, bilingual warmline giving support to people in crisis. Services also include free ongoing support groups in English, Mandarin, and Cantonese from San Francisco to San Jose. To contact MHACC, email: [info@mhacc-usa.org](mailto:info@mhacc-usa.org) or call: 800-881-8502.

### [Star Vista Counseling Center](#)

<https://star-vista.org/>

Star Vista Counseling Center delivers high-impact services through counseling, case management, skill development, and crisis prevention to children, youth, adults, and families. The Counseling Center provides outpatient individual, couples, and family therapy. They provide in-language services to Mandarin speaking patients. Contact Star Vista by calling: 650-355-8787 or fill out their contact form:

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=bJpGLe5\\_6EOLrxCw2pC1az-nkzHbkSpOhLoBbB9oj0hUQzBVRTRXQ1VKVTI1TjVGTzVMS1FETk9CSS4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=bJpGLe5_6EOLrxCw2pC1az-nkzHbkSpOhLoBbB9oj0hUQzBVRTRXQ1VKVTI1TjVGTzVMS1FETk9CSS4u)

### [One Life Counseling](#)

<https://www.onelifecounselingcenter.com/>

One Life Counseling is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization of skilled therapists and change agents who aim to inspire, educate, and provide accessible counseling for anyone who needs it. One Life Counseling has Spanish and Mandarin speaking therapists available for support. Please call 650-394-5155 for information and to make an appointment.

## **SOCIAL SERVICES**

### [Gum Moon Residence Hall](#)

<https://www.gummoon.org/>

Gum Moon Women's Residence & the Asian Women's Resource Center address the unmet needs of women & families in transition by providing a safe sanctuary to live in and enrichment programs that help develop life skills. Gum Moon provides affordable housing for survivors of domestic violence (DV) and trafficking women, summer school and after school for school age children, children art classes, comprehensive family support services that will include parent child interactive groups, parent support groups, evidence-based parenting education classes, informational and referral services, and educational workshops. Gum Moon is providing services in the Half Moon Bay Area and provides in-language services for Mandarin speaking clients. Contact Gum Moon by calling: 415-788-1008 or email: [gummoon@yahoo.org](mailto:gummoon@yahoo.org).

## **HEALTHCARE**

### [North East Medical Services \(NEMS\)](#)

<https://nems.org/>

NEMS is committed to providing linguistically competent and culturally sensitive health care services to victims and impacted community members of the Half Moon Bay tragedy. In addition to English, they provide care in many Asian languages and dialects, including Mandarin, Cantonese, Toishan, Vietnamese, Burmese, Tagalog and Hindi. Some providers and staff are also proficient in basic or medical Spanish. NEMS provides a comprehensive array of primary health care services and ancillary services such as health education, nutrition, behavioral health counseling, acupuncture, laboratory, radiology, and social services. NEMS provides services in person and telehealth (both video and audio). To access NEMS services, email: [info@nems.org](mailto:info@nems.org) or call: 415-391-9686.

### [San Mateo Medical Center - San Mateo County Health \(smchealth.org\)](#)

<https://www.smchealth.org/san-mateo-medical-center>

At San Mateo Medical Center we look forward to being your healthcare partner. Our doctors, nurses and support staff are ready to answer your questions, find out what's important to you, and provide the care you need to live a healthy life. San Mateo Medical Center utilizes a language assistance line and can provide interpretation in Mandarin, Cantonese and Spanish for clients. If you don't have health insurance, the first step is calling our [Health Coverage Unit](#) at 650-616-2002 so we can help you find a plan that works for you. If you have health coverage and need to schedule your first appointment, call our New Patient Connection Center at (650) 372-3200.

## **LEGAL**

### [Asian Americans Advancing Justice - Asian Law Caucus](#)

<https://www.advancingjustice-alc.org/>

The Asian Law Caucus is the nation's first legal and civil rights organization serving low-income, immigrant, and underserved Asian American and Pacific Islander communities. In California, with a special focus on the Bay Area, they bring together legal services, community empowerment, and policy advocacy to fight for immigrant justice, economic security, and a stronger democracy. Community members who use Asian languages, including Cantonese and Mandarin can call the Asian Law Caucus at 415-896-1701 for free legal consultation. ALC's Know Your Rights document "[Legal Rights After Violence in the Workplace](#)" was created by lawyers and community advocates in California who serve farmworker and immigrant communities. These materials cover some of your legal rights when gun violence has happened in the workplace. Link to the document:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1CqJ8J7J-WuDFE\\_DYqxeWwuWzrltD-7Bln6cf1w2aJR8/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1CqJ8J7J-WuDFE_DYqxeWwuWzrltD-7Bln6cf1w2aJR8/edit)

[Services, Immigrant Rights and Education Network \(SIREN\)](#)

<https://www.sirenimmigrantrights.org/>

SIREN is a vehicle for low-income immigrants and refugees in California - to be their own agents for change. They do this through community education and organizing, leadership development, legal services, policy advocacy, and civic engagement. Spanish speaking victims, survivors and their families can call: 408-453-3003, and/or email [info@sirenimmigrantrights.org](mailto:info@sirenimmigrantrights.org) to schedule a free immigration services consultation.

[California Rural Legal Assistance \(CRLA\), LLC](#)

<https://crla.org/>

CRLA provides free civil legal services to low-income residents of California's rural counties. People in need of civil assistance, including workplace safety or other employment issues, can contact their offices at 1-800-337-0690 or [crla.org/locations](http://crla.org/locations).

[CRLA Statement Regarding Gun Violence in Half Moon Bay, Monterey Park, and Goshen](#)

[Read in Simplified Chinese](#)

[Read in Traditional Chinese](#)

[The Legal Aid Society of San Mateo](#)

<https://www.legalaidsmc.org>

The Legal Aid Society of San Mateo County shares in grief with the victims, and would like to offer its help and support to the Half Moon Bay Community after the recent tragic shooting. They provide services for low-income clients with civil legal issues. The Legal Aid provides interpretation and in-language services for Limited English Proficient communities including: Mandarin, Cantonese, and Spanish. To schedule an appointment with a Legal Aid lawyer, call: 650-558-0915.

[Asian Law Alliance \(ALA\)](#)

<http://asianlawalliance.org/>

ALA keeps its doors open for those individuals who are limited in English, who do not understand the legal system, who cannot afford legal fees and who face the reality of discrimination. ALA is offering free legal services around immigration, housing, domestic violence, and public benefits for San Mateo residents and people impacted by the Half Moon Bay tragedy. ALA provides in-language services in Mandarin, Spanish, Vietnamese, and Korean. To access ALA's services, call: 408-287-9710.

[Centro Legal de la Raza](#)

[www.centrolegal.org](http://www.centrolegal.org)

Provides free or low-cost, bilingual, culturally-sensitive legal aid, community education, and advocacy for impacted Bay Area residents including residents of San Mateo County. Centro Legal de la Raza can provide services to monolingual Spanish-speaking immigrants. To schedule an appointment, call 510-437-1554 or email: [info@centrolegal.org](mailto:info@centrolegal.org)[La Raza Centro Legal](http://www.lacla.org)

<https://www.lacla.org/>

provides high quality, free legal representation to the Latino community and other low-income immigrant families, as the most trusted partner in legal services. La Raza Centro Legal provides excellent direct legal services by licensed attorneys and competent staff to ensure that poverty, immigration status, disability, language, sexual orientation, or gender identity will not be an impediment to justice. They represent families located primarily in the counties of San Francisco and San Mateo. To contact LRCL, reach out to Pilar Eslava's email: [pilar@lrcl.org](mailto:pilar@lrcl.org) or call: 415- 575 3500.

[Santanna Law Offices](http://www.santannalaw.com)

<https://www.santannalaw.com>

Provides legal assistance specializing in legal assistance to immigrants and their families. The law firm is providing legal assistance for directly impacted people by the Half Moon Bay tragedy. Fill out the contact form at <https://www.santannalaw.com/contact-us> or call: 510-922-0154 or email:

[natalia@santannalaw.com](mailto:natalia@santannalaw.com)

## **LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS**

[Ayudando Latinos A Sonar \(ALAS\)](http://www.alasdreams.com)

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ALAS is Latino centered nonprofit organization that began as a grassroots program in 2011. ALAS was born from the desire to help children and their families to feel proud of their identity and culture and amplify their voices. ALAS is dedicated to working for social wellness through multicultural practices, mental healthcare, individualized and collective support related to education, immigration processes, and work and advocating for the wellbeing of the Latino coastal community. Contact ALAS by calling: 650-560-8947 or fill out the contact form: <https://www.alasdreams.com/contact>

[Coastside Hope](http://www.coastsidehope.org)

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Coastside Hope is chartered by San Mateo County to be the primary core human services agency for the mid-coast. Their mission is to provide necessities to enhance quality of life for all neighbors. They offer hope on a non discriminatory basis to everyone living in the service area including Montara, Moss Beach, El Granada, Half Moon Bay, and La Honda. Contact them by calling: 650-726-9071.



## [PUENTE](#)

<https://mypuente.org>

Every day, PUENTE works side by side with community members to build and increase equity for all who call the South Coast home. PUENTE fosters wellness and prosperity in the San Mateo County South Coast communities of Pescadero, La Honda, Loma Mar, and San Gregorio by promoting and advocating for equitable access to education, health, and economic security. Contact PUENTE by emailing [outreach@mypuente.org](mailto:outreach@mypuente.org) or call: 650-879-1691.

## [El Centro de Libertad The Freedom Center](#)

<https://www.elcentrodelibertad.org/about-us/>

El Centro Libertad offers a response to the growing need for culturally competent drug and alcohol services for adults in urban and rural Coastside communities and offer Specialized Services to other underserved adult populations such as those in custody, those who have co-occurring disorders, those needing Parenting, Domestic Violence or Anger Management consulting. To contact El Centro de Libertad call: 650-599-9955.

## [Self Help for the Elderly](#)

<https://www.selfhelpelderly.org>

Self Help for the Elderly has provided assistance and support to seniors in the SF/San Mateo area. They provide trustworthy and devoted care for seniors to promote their independence, dignity and self-worth. Their services help guide seniors to wellness and happiness. Call 415-667-7600. For TDD/TYY users: Dial 7-1-1 for California Relay Service OR 1-800-855-7100 English Voice/TDD/TTY; 1-800-855-7200 Spanish Voice/TDDTTY

## [Coast Pride](#)

<https://coastpride.org/>

Coast Pride offers a safe space online and at community events to gather the diversity of our voices, raise awareness of LGBTQ issues, and address the needs of our LGBTQ youth, families, and adults. They work with existing local civic, governmental, for-profit and nonprofit organizations to enhance services so that they are inclusive of all who play, work, and live on the coastside. Coast Pride provides in-language resources and one-on-one consultations for Spanish speaking parents and caregivers of LGBTQ+ youth. To contact Coast Pride, email: [contact@coastpride.org](mailto:contact@coastpride.org) or call: 650-479-1902.

## [Senior Coastsiders](#)

<https://www.seniorcoastsiders.org/>

Senior Coastsiders support successful aging for Coastside seniors by providing opportunities, services, and resources that meet their needs, enrich their lives, foster their independence, and respect their creativity, dignity, and value. They specifically offer case management support, classes and activities, nutrition program, home repairs, transportation and other resources. Senior Coastsiders provides in-house interpretation for Mandarin, Cantonese, and Spanish speakers. For additional information call 650-726-9056.

## **OTHER**

### **Gun Violence Restraining Order**

The Gun Violence Restraining Order (GVRO) is a tool for temporarily removing guns and ammunition from individuals who are at risk of harming themselves or others. This is law in the state of California. Learn more here: <https://speakforsafety.org>