

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**Second ACT Thrift Store** is always in need of volunteers to sort donations, hang, price, organize, and more.



Donations we receive at Second ACT are also an important component for many of our clients to find the things they need to re-build their lives.

Second ACT is located at 12519 South Cleveland Ave. in Fort Myers. Hours are Monday through Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. and Sunday from 11:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.



**Arts for ACT Gallery**  
Do you like ART?

Then you may enjoy  
volunteering at the  
Arts for ACT Gallery.

Evening Art Receptions monthly with featured Artists.

Arts for ACT is located at 2265 First Street in Downtown Fort Myers. Our Gallery hours are 11:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Fridays.

**Call 239-939-2553 for  
more information**

## For 24-hour crisis support, please call:

Florida Domestic Violence Hotline:

800.500.1119

Florida Sexual Assault Hotline:

888.956.7273

## ACT is funded in part by:

United Way of Lee, Hendry, and Glades counties • Lee County, Florida Coalition Against Domestic Violence • Florida Council Against Sexual Violence • Florida Department of Health • Office of the Attorney General • City of Fort Myers • City of Cape Coral • The Robert Rauschenberg Foundation • Fundraising and Private Donations



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The Center will provide accommodations, including American Sign Language interpreters, assistive listening devices, alternative formats of printed materials and real-time captioning upon request for persons who are deaf, hard of hearing or are living with disabilities. To ensure accommodations, please make your request at least 7 days prior to the event.



**To volunteer, call us today at:  
239.939.2553  
Visit us at: [actabuse.com](http://actabuse.com)**



## The Continued Growth of Our Organization Exists Because of Our VOLUNTEERS



ACT's mission is to protect, support, and educate victims of domestic violence and their children, as well as survivors of sexual assault and human trafficking in Lee, Hendry, and Glades counties.

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## IT'S ALL AROUND US

- A woman is beaten in the United States every nine seconds.
- On average, 24 people per minute are victims of rape, physical violence or stalking by an intimate partner in the United States — more than 12 million women and men over the course of a year. That means one person is victimized every 2.5 seconds!
- A recent study found that school-age children who witness violence exhibit a range of problem behaviors including depression, anxiety, and violence towards peers.
- More than 1 in 3 women (35.6%) and more than 1 in 4 men (28.5%) in the United States have experienced rape, physical violence and/or stalking by an intimate partner in their lifetime. (CDC National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey 2010)

## ACT

- Our crisis hotlines (Florida Domestic Violence Hotline: 800.500.1119 • Florida Sexual Assault Hotline: 888.956.7273) receive more than 15,000 calls per year
- ACT provides services for over 9,000 individuals per year
- We provide safe, confidential and free services; including counseling and forensic exams to rape victims
- ACT also provide Community Education— more than 500 educational programs!

**Volunteers are a huge help! Thank you for considering becoming a volunteer.**

## YOUR DONATED TIME EQUALS ...

### 2.5 HOURS = 1 HOUR OF COUNSELING:

Imagine the weight that gets lifted off someone's shoulders when they talk to someone who not only believes them, but also lets them know that abuse is a crime... and it's not their fault. Imagine the relief to find out there are options.

**We want to help victims stop the cycle of violence.**



### 6 HOURS = 1 NIGHT OF SHELTER:

Imagine feeling in fear for your life, and the lives of your children... and having a safe place to sleep in peace, feel safe and get help to start a new chapter in your life without abuse.

### 10 HOURS = 1 DAY OF FOOD IN SHELTER:

Imagine having to leave your home with no money, clothes, toys for the kids. Now, imagine having food supplied for you and your children.

### 25 HOURS = 1 RAPE EXAM:

Imagine surviving rape and having a safe, private place to go for your exam. Imagine an advocate who supports you through the whole process and helps you with your fears, questions, and recovery.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

ACT is a nonprofit agency committed to making a difference in these shocking statistics. Some of the ways that we are doing this is through Community Education and Volunteer Recruitment.

YOU can help us take steps to break the cycle of domestic violence and sexual assault by volunteering your time and/or by arranging for a speaker to visit your club, school, church or organization.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- Fundraising committee
- Community awareness committee
- Second ACT Thrift Store committee
- Arts for ACT Gallery
- Marketing committee
- Residential activities committee
- Newsletter production staff
- 24-hr on-call support
- Facilities

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