

Every 2 minutes, someone in the U.S. is sexually assaulted. The facts are shocking, but YOU can help.

## How YOU Can Support Sexual Assault Victims

WEAVE's Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) accompanies *every* victim who reports a rape in Sacramento County to the hospital. Advocates respond 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

They remain with the sexual assault victim until the evidentiary exam is complete, no matter how long it takes.

Survivors of sexual assault are brought to the hospital where they go through a very intense evidentiary exam. The evidence collected during this exam includes their clothing, which then becomes part of the investigation. Victims often feel re-traumatized during this exam and experience feelings of powerlessness. By providing them with support and a new and comfortable set of clothing we are able to show that we care and are here to support them.

**Organizations such as yours aid in the healing process for sexual assault survivors.**

WEAVE provides clothing, toiletries and snacks to more than 365 sexual assault victims every year - **an average of one sexual assault per day, everyday**. To ensure that every sexual assault victim leaves the hospital in clean clothes and feeling safe and supported, **we need your help!**

The list below are items we are currently running low on or lacking completely. Any donations of new items you can make is greatly appreciated.

**\*Please note, we ask for new, logo and graphic-free items only.**

- \* Women's sweats bottom/top (all sizes)
- \* Undergarments (all sizes)
- \* Sports bras
- \* Individual snack foods
- \* Juice: boxes and small individual bottles
- \* Water: small individual bottles
- \* Men's socks
- \* Men's sweats/bottom all sizes (+xxx large)
- \* Flip flops
- \* Socks
- \* Blankets
- \* Stuffed animals
- \* Journals
- \* Small travel bags on wheels
- \* Large clear storage bins (with lid)

