

WHO WE ARE

The Louisiana Victim Outreach Program (LAVO) provides victims and survivors of violent offenses with resources to navigate the pardons and parole process.

With a compassionate response to victims' needs, LAVO empowers victims and survivors through education, encourages healing through restorative programming, and grows a support system through state-wide outreach.

LAVO is an initiative of the Louisiana Board of Pardons and Parole.

LAVO CAN HELP

The pardons and parole process doesn't have to be confusing. LAVO can explain victims' rights and roles.

If you or someone you care about has a question, would like to receive counseling or other healing services, or just want to talk with someone about what to expect, LAVO is ready to help. All services are free and confidential.

COUNSELING SERVICES

LAVO's licensed social worker provides free individual and group counseling to survivors of violence throughout the post-conviction process.

LAVO offers a safe, supportive space to process trauma and loss, and work toward holistic mental and emotional health. Counseling services are available in Baton Rouge, New Orleans, and through HIPAA compliant video conferencing.

We offer:

- Individual Counseling
- Group Counseling
- Healing Activities

For more information on counseling services, or to schedule an appointment, please call 225.342.1570.

EDUCATION + HEALING + CONNECTION

Knowledge is important.

LAVO provides notification about upcoming pardon and parole hearings, information about statewide policies, and instruction about how the pardons and parole process works.

This knowledge can help victims feel more confident, lessen confusion about how parole decisions are made, and lead to greater ease throughout the process.

Victims deserve to heal from harm.

Even if the harm was caused many years ago, it can have lasting effects. Healing is still possible. LAVO offers counseling, as well as a variety of other restorative practices, such as self-compassion training, mindfulness, and expressive arts.

There is a large victim and survivor community.

Within this are people who represent a wide range of perspectives, experiences, and insights. LAVO brings victims, survivors, advocates, service providers, and community members together in order to strengthen connections that can lead to greater health and wholeness for everyone.

CONTACT INFO