

GOT YOUR BACK

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What we do:

Got Your Back is a free and confidential young victim's support service. We work with all young people in Halton aged 5 to 17 years old who have been affected in any way by a crime, including assault, theft, death of a loved one by crime, home burglary, grooming, stalking, have a parent in prison, witnessing domestic violence. We also work with young people who have been affected by bullying inside school or in the community. Our restorative approach allows us to focus on the young person's needs within our one to one sessions. This means our emotional and practical support helps the young person to cope, recover and feel how they want to feel. Importantly, the crime they've been affected by does not need to have been reported to anyone.

How we're working alongside Covid:

We've been working hard during this time to ensure that we support as many young people as possible and we're still actively seeking more referrals. We have been embracing technology and minimising our face to face visits to keep everyone safe. One-to-one meetings are now mostly taking place via Skype, WhatsApp video call, phone calls and texts but we all look forward to making more face to face visits in the future when it is safe to do so, however complex cases can still be seen in person if needed.

To all Halton schools: We'd love to do more drop-in sessions either online or in school for your students.

100% of service users said they would recommend us.

100% of service users said they felt safer from our support.

"I don't think Got Your Back needs any improving because you were really nice from the start. It's helped a lot to make me feel safer and just happier, I'm more confident and happy".

- From a 12 year old who witnessed her brother's assault.

"I was nervous at first and my worker put me at ease and made me feel comfortable to talk about what was happening".

- From an 11 year old who experienced harassment and bullying

"I think the help you offer is really good and it's great because it's one to one support so it's personal. It's better than other services. The support was fantastic".

- From a 14 year old with PTSD after a group assault

"Great support and advice at all times. Our GYB worker has had our back completely through hard times and has made numerous phone-calls on our behalf. A massive thank you for the support".

- From the Nan of a 7 year old who had witnessed domestic violence between her parents.

Contact us:

Anyone can refer into our free service, simply call, text or email and we can send a referral form or discuss any potential case, any questions welcomed.

Call: 0800 640 6466.

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