

## Buffalo, NY Mass Shooting Resources

**May 16, 2022**

*"Ten people were killed in a racially motivated mass shooting at a supermarket in Buffalo on Saturday, May 14, 2022 by a suspect in tactical gear who was livestreaming the attack, law enforcement officials said during a news conference." [Via CNN](#)*

### Crisis Resources

#### **Northwest Buffalo Community Center, Crime Victim Assistance Program**

The Northwest Buffalo Community Center, Victim Assistance Program is staffed by dedicated and trained volunteer victim advocates. Victims of crime may be entitled to compensation for out-of-pocket losses associated with the crime. This program assists with the cost of medical bills, counseling, funeral/burial costs, and loss wages. Victims are also provided with referrals for counseling, food, shelter, and legal services.

For more information, please call (716) 876-8108 ext. 24 or visit the website [here](#).

#### **211 United Way - Western New York**

Dial 2-1-1 or (888) 696-9211

2-1-1 connects callers to health and human services information and is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, even during disasters. Information and resources may be provided for a variety of needs including mental health, basic needs, and disaster assistance. Dial 211 or (888) 696-9211 to speak with a trained information and referral specialist. Calls are routed to service centers based on your geographic location. You may also search online for resources by clicking on the link for <http://www.211wny.org/>

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### **Monetary Donation Resources**

The below GoFundMe fundraisers have been created and the organizers of each fundraiser are in the parentheses.

[Victims of Shooting at Tops Buffalo NY](#) (Buffalo resident Joni Falk)

[The Families of the Victims of Buffalo Shooting](#) (OnCore Golf CEO Keith Blakely)

[Buffalo Memorial](#) (Reporters Ron Insana and Luke Russert)

[Buffalo Mass Shooting Help the Families Fund](#) (Board of [VictimsFirst.org](#))

[Buffalo Tragedy Donate to Victims Families](#) (Esra'a Taha of Buffalo Skincare and Beauty)

For updates on additional ways to help victims and their families, please visit the website [here](#).

### **Blood Donation Resources**

Those interested in donating blood to help support victims of mass shootings may do so by registering at <https://bloodhero.com/> to find a local blood donation center in their area.

## **Crisis Counseling Resources**

### **Buffalo Counseling Services**

Numerous groups and government agencies have resources available both to the families of the victims and community members who have been affected by the mass shooting at a Buffalo Tops grocery store. Below are local agencies who are providing free counseling services to the community.

#### **Crisis Services (Johnnie B. Wiley Pavilion)**

1100 Jefferson Avenue  
Buffalo, NY 14208  
(716) 834-3131 (24-Hour Hotline)  
Sunday and Monday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. EST

#### **Mental Health Advocates of WNY**

1021 Broadway Street, Fifth Floor  
Buffalo, NY 14212  
(716) 886-1242

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### **National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) of Buffalo and Erie County**

P.O. Box 146  
Buffalo, NY 14223  
(716) 226-6264

### **Spectrum Health & Human Services**

1280 Main Street  
Buffalo, NY 14209  
(716) 710-5172

### **SAMHSA Disaster Distress Helpline**

800-985-5990 (24 hours)

Website: <https://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/disaster-distress-helpline>

This helpline, through the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), can provide immediate counseling to anyone who is seeking help.

### **SAMHSA Behavioral Health Treatment Services Locator**

Visit the website here: <https://findtreatment.samhsa.gov/>

This line is available 24 hours/day and 7 days/week. The Behavioral Health Treatment Services Locator provides information and a search tool for behavioral health and substance abuse/addiction services in the United States and U.S. Territories. You can access the free and confidential treatment provider search tool using the link listed above. After completing the search criteria, you can view a list of treatment providers and detailed information about each provider.

You may also call (800) 662-4357 to receive free and confidential information about mental health and substance abuse treatment services in your area.

### **Online Resources for Parents**

<https://www.naeyc.org/resources/topics/coping-stress-and-violence>

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The National Association for the Education of Young People has compiled online resources for parents, teachers, and others working with young children about coping with violence and its aftermath and talking to young children about tragedies they learn about in the media.

*This guide provides referrals to resources. It does not endorse or recommend the resource providers. While every effort is made to maintain current provider information, information may change without notice.*

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