

# REPORT | SUPPORT | PROTECT

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles and our community of faith stand resolute in our commitment to report allegations to law enforcement, support victim-survivors of sexual misconduct, and protect children and the vulnerable.

Please help **stop sexual misconduct** in our communities by reporting to **law enforcement** and the **Office of Victims Assistance** of the Archdiocese at **(800) 355-2545**.

## TOGETHER WE WORK TO PROTECT AND REPORT

through our **Safeguard the Children Programs** on prevention and reporting, fingerprinting and background checks, which are led by lay staff and volunteers.

### SINCE 2002

**375,000+**

Adults trained in abuse prevention and reporting

**165,000+**

Each year, Catholic school and religious education students taught boundary awareness and tools for reporting

**200,000+**

Adults fingerprinted and background checked

### WE TAKE ACTION

Strict protocols for handling all allegations

#### LAW ENFORCEMENT

Allegations of sexual misconduct reported to **law enforcement** and fully cooperate in investigation

#### REMOVAL & INVESTIGATION

All accused **immediately removed** pending investigation; Clergy allegations **reviewed by independent Clergy Misconduct Oversight Board**

#### TRANSPARENT COMMUNICATION

**Announcements made** in parishes or schools where the accused individual served

### WE SUPPORT VICTIM-SURVIVORS

The **Office of Victims Assistance Ministry** advocates for victim-survivors in the Archdiocese. This ministry provides support for victim-survivors and their families, and ensures reporting of sexual misconduct to law enforcement.

### WE VET CLERGY

Clergy and Seminarians comply with Safe Environment requirements and all visiting priests and deacons must present a **Statement of Suitability**.

### ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY

Clergy or lay persons, if found to have abused a minor, are **permanently removed** from any capacity.

For more information visit [www.archla.org/protect](http://www.archla.org/protect).