

Our free services

Social counselling

- Consultations with a social worker
- Assistance with visits to public authorities, doctors and the Police
- Safety plans for emergency situations
- Advice on media matters
- Referrals to psychological support and therapy
- Crisis assistance

Legal information

- Advice on your rights in criminal proceedings and help with enforcing your rights
- Prevention of secondary harm
- Preparing and submitting documents

Legal services

- Assistance with access to legal services
- Representation throughout the entire criminal and related civil proceedings
- Claiming damages
- In justified cases, filing constitutional complaints

You can find more information at:



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Justýna counselling centre

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MON and THURS 9 a.m.–5 p.m.

by appointment

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**Have you been attacked for
your nationality
or the colour of your skin?**

Justýna counselling centre can help you
defend your rights

An attack can come in various forms:

- verbal attacks and invectives,
- bullying, threats or extortion,
- defamatory graffiti or damage to property,
- physical attacks,
- sexual attacks, rape and harassment,
- attacks on the Internet and social media (such as Facebook, Instagram).

Bias against foreigners of different skin colours and different nationalities can be found in our society. An attack motivated by the victim's nationality or colour of skin constitutes a case of **bias-based violence**. The aggressor can be anybody.

If you find yourself a victim of this type of attack, confide in someone you can trust. Do not be ashamed of who you are. **Nobody should be targeted for who they are.**

An attack like this may meet criteria for a number of **crime** categories. Less severe cases may constitute a **misdemeanour**.

What steps can you take?

- You can **contact the Police at the 158 emergency line or you can file a criminal complaint.**
- If you are facing an **imminent threat**, try to find a **public space** (hospital, post office, etc.).
- **Ask for help from a specific individual.** If you approach a group of anonymous people, the likelihood of someone helping you decreases.
- If you have suffered injury, **seek medical help.** Take photos of your injuries and make sure that the doctor gives you a medical report. Both can serve as important evidence.
- Talk to someone you can trust.
- In **less serious cases** (i.e. misdemeanours), file a **request for investigation with the relevant municipal office.**
- You can also fight bias-based acts against yourself by filing a **right of privacy action** in civil or administrative proceedings.
- You can seek help from Justyna counselling centre.

Justyna counselling centre will help you defend your rights.

You have a right to:

- **information** and free professional assistance
- **information in a language you understand** including in dealings with the Police
- **short-term protection provided** by the Police
- **have an aggressor removed** from a shared living space
- preliminary measures in situations where your life, health, freedom or dignity are threatened by an aggressor
- **have your identity** and other personal data (e.g. address) **concealed** in the police file
- prevent the aggressor from contacting you
- choose if you want to be **questioned by a man or a woman**
- **one-off and sensitive** questioning
- be accompanied by a **trusted person** and represented by an **attorney** during questioning
- **financial assistance** to get over financial difficulties after falling victim to a crime
- **damages** awarded in criminal proceedings