

COMMUNITY ALERT



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COMMUNITY ALERT: Brutal Assault in Carroll Gardens, Brooklyn

AVP was outraged to hear of a bias attack that occurred last week in Carroll Gardens, Brooklyn. The story broke yesterday after the NYPD released its report on the attack. According to the NYPD, on Tuesday, March 2 at 12:50am, a man was jumped and badly beaten by five men shouting anti-gay slurs at Luquer Street and Hamilton Avenue. The victim, who suffered severe bruising and a head laceration, was treated at Lutheran Medical Center and has since been released. No arrests have been made and the NYPD's Hate Crimes Task Force (HCTF) is still searching for the suspects.

"AVP is working with the NYPD's Hate Crimes Task Force, community based organizations and elected officials to address this and other incidents of hate violence" said Sharon Stapel, Executive Director of the New York City Anti-Violence Project, "In 2010, in New York City, it is unacceptable that people are still subject to bias-related hate violence. In a world as diverse as ours, we cannot tolerate violence based on actual or perceived identity, because if we do we are all vulnerable."

If you have any information on this incident, please call the NYPD Tips line at (212) 577-TIPS or the Main Office of the Hate Crimes Task Force at (646) 610-5267.

AVP encourages anyone who has experienced or been affected by an assault or threats of violence to contact our **24-hour bilingual (English/Spanish) hotline at 212-714-1141** and speak with a trained counselor if you are seeking support. All services are free and confidential. More information about The New York City Anti-Violence Project can be found at our website: www.avp.org and Facebook page: www.facebook.com/antiviolence.

For additional safety tips, please visit our website: www.avp.org.



HATE VIOLENCE?

**Tell us about it.
212.714.1141**

LGBTQ communities face bias and discrimination every day. If you or someone you know feels unsafe, is attacked or harassed, call us on our 24-hour bilingual (English/Spanish) hotline: **212.714.1141**

Together, we can end hate violence. www.avp.org



¿VIOLENCIA BASADA EN ODIO?

**Déjenos saber.
212.714.1141**

Las comunidades LGBTQ enfrentan tratamiento perjudicado y discriminación todos los días. Si usted, o alguien que usted conoce se siente en peligro, es atacad@, u hostigad@, llámenos en nuestra línea de ayuda bilingüe (Inglés/Español) disponible 24 horas: **212.714.1141**

**Juntos, podemos terminar con la violencia basada en odio.
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The New York City Anti-Violence Project is dedicated to eliminating hate violence, sexual assault, stalking, and domestic violence in lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and HIV-affected communities through counseling, advocacy, organizing, and public education.