

# **Guide to the “You Matter” Safe Environment Training Video for Employees, Volunteers, Clergy and Parents**

## **Introduction**

The “You Matter” Safe Environment Training Video for Employees, Volunteers, Clergy and Parents was created by the Archdiocese of Atlanta to help educate these groups on matters of sexual abuse. Training adults in our archdiocese is an important part of our commitment to our sacred duty to protect the most vulnerable among us: our children and vulnerable individuals.

Viewing this video is mandatory for all for clergy, employees, parents, and volunteers who have regular contact with children and/or vulnerable individuals in the Archdiocese of Atlanta. A person may not work with children and/or vulnerable individuals until they have completed the Archdiocese of Atlanta Safe Environment training, which includes this video.

## **About the Video**

The “You Matter” video for adults is approximately one hour long. The video provides information on the following:

- Policies and procedures of the Archdiocese of Atlanta as they pertain to sexual abuse
- Reporting procedures
- Stories from survivors of abuse. These stories are hard to hear, but they are necessary to help promote understanding of the survivor’s perspective.
- Information on creating safe environments
- Information on the nature of sexual abuse
- Possible signs of abuse
- Possible indicators of abusers
- Information on the crisis of abuse in the Church
- Information about the USCCB Office of Child and Youth Protection and the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People
- Information on the need for therapy for healing

## **Before the Video**

Before the video begins, be sure to have a copy of the “You Matter” video questions ready so that you can answer the questions while you watch the video.

## **After the Video**

Answering these questions ensures that you understood the most important aspects of the video. The most efficient way to submit your information and answers to the questions is on the Office of Child and Youth Protection Web site at <http://www.archatl.com/offices/protection>. Otherwise, please complete the answer form and submit it to the following address:

Office of Child and Youth Protection  
Archdiocese of Atlanta  
ATTN: You Matter Video  
680 W. Peachtree St., NW  
Atlanta, GA 30308

A copy of the completed questionnaire will be placed in your personnel/volunteer file.