

Almost A Third Of Mass Shooting Deaths In 2015 Were Related To Domestic Violence

Just more evidence that domestic violence and guns are a deadly mix.

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http://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/mass-shootings-domestic-violence_us_57432353e4b00e09e89f92d8

Thirty-one percent of all mass shooting deaths in 2015 were related to domestic violence incidents, according to a New York Times analysis published Sunday.

The New York Times examined violent episodes in which four or more people were killed or wounded by a firearm, including the shooter. In 2015, there were 358 shootings that fit that category, which resulted in 462 dead and 1,330 injured.

While domestic violence incidents were only 39 of the total episodes, they were responsible for 145 deaths. That's around 31 percent of the total killings.

The New York Times deep dive is just the latest report to find a connection between domestic violence and mass shootings.

Last year, The Huffington Post analyzed five years of mass shooting data, compiled by Everytown for Gun Safety, a gun violence prevention organization backed by former New York City Mayor Mike Bloomberg.

We looked at a narrower portion of gun violence than The New York Times did, only counting incidents in which four people were fatally shot, not including the shooter.

We found that a majority of these mass shootings were related to domestic violence. In 57 percent of the incidents, a family member or an intimate partner was among the victims. And strikingly, 64 percent of mass shooting victims were women and children.

As we wrote at the time: The majority of mass shootings in the U.S. take place in private. They occur in the home, and the victims are predominantly women and children.

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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOMICIDES IN NC
from January 1 – June 13, 2016

25 Murders

<http://www.nccadv.org/homicides-2016>

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The untold story of mass shootings in America is one of domestic violence. It is one of men (yes, mostly men) targeting and killing their wives or ex-girlfriends or families. The victims are intimately familiar to the shooters, not random strangers. This kind of violence is not indiscriminate — though friends, neighbors and bystanders are often killed alongside the intended targets. ...

Experts often call domestic homicides the most predictable and preventable of all homicides, because of the many warning signs.

“If we want to dramatically reduce the number of mass shootings, we could pay a lot more attention to domestic violence at an earlier stage,” said Kim Gandy, president of the National Network To End Domestic Violence. “Many domestic homicides could be prevented with appropriate intervention and services.”

The latest tragic example of a domestic violence mass shooting took place in South Carolina just last week.

On May 17, police say, a man walked into a home armed with a .40-caliber Glock 23 and shot his girlfriend, her mother, her pregnant sister and her 8-year-old niece. Only his girlfriend survived.

Melissa Jeltsen covers domestic violence and other issues related to women’s health, safety and security. Tips? Feedback? Send an email or follow her on Twitter.

Want to learn more about being a Hyde County Hotline Crisis Line or Shelter Volunteer?
Let us know. 252-925-2502

Just because a person doesn't put hands on you, that doesn't mean they aren't abusive. Abuse is control, blatant disrespect, and also hurtful words. Don't settle for emotional abuse thinking it's ok because it's not physical.

OUR MISSION:

The purpose of Hyde County Hotline, Inc. is to work to eliminate domestic abuse and sexual victimization and provide safe shelter in Hyde County, North Carolina through the collaborative efforts of a compassionate community. We promote dignity, respect and safety at home resulting in safer communities.

WORLDWIDE, MEN WHO WERE EXPOSED TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AS CHILDREN ARE **THREE TO FOUR TIMES** MORE LIKELY TO PERPETRATE INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE AS ADULTS THAN MEN WHO DID NOT EXPERIENCE DOMESTIC ABUSE AS CHILDREN.

How you can help...

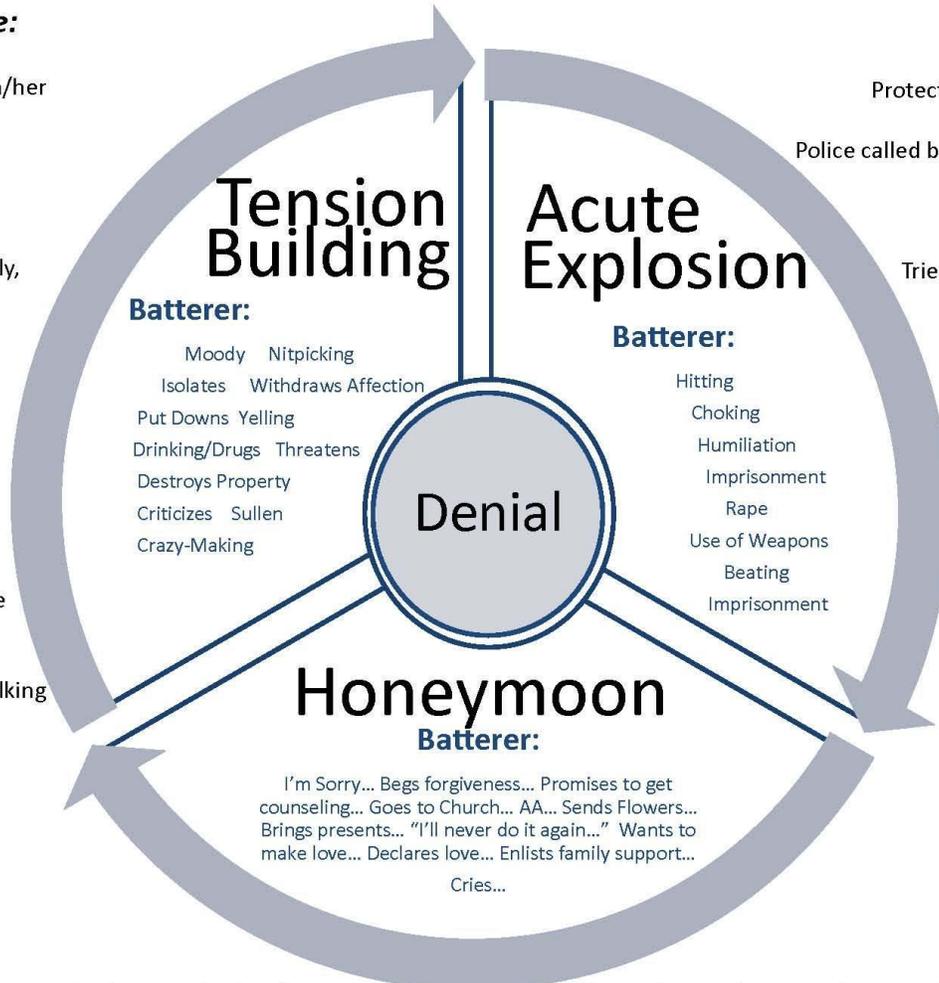
- **Donate to our Thrift Stores – call us for pick-up of large items 252-925-2502 (all donations are tax deductible)
- ** Tell others about us **Subscribe to our monthly newsletter
- **Monetary donations are accepted: PO Box 335, Engelhard, NC 27824
- **Become a volunteer **Ask about presentations for your civic group or business

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Victim Response:

- Attempts to calm him/her
- Nurturing
- Silent/Talkative
- Stays away from family, friends
- Keeps kids quiet
- Agrees
- Withdraws
- Tries to reason
- Cooks his/her favorite dinner
- General feeling of walking on eggshells



Victim Response:

- Protects herself anyway she can
- Police called by her/him, kids, neighbor
- Tries to calm batterer
- Tries to Reason with batterer
- Leaves
- Fights back

Victim Response:

- Agrees to stay, returns, or takes batterer back.... Attempts to stop legal proceedings... Sets up for counseling appointments for batterer... Feels Happy, Hopeful



6th Annual Winter Event

If you are interested in helping with this year's Winter Event, please contact Hyde County Hotline at 252-925-2502. Sponsorship options and Sponsor Tables will be available this year and Auction Items are also needed. More information will be available on our Facebook page and website soon.

Crisis Line Training

Hyde County Hotline will be offering a training opportunity on July 14th from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm for anyone interested in becoming a crisis line volunteer. This is a great opportunity to support victims and survivors without having to leave your home.

Please let our office know if you are interested. 252-925-2502



Prevention Outreach Coordinator

Hyde County Hotline is now accepting applications accepted through August 15, 2016.

Candidates must have NCDL and vehicle (travel required). A criminal background check must be provided. Flexibility, dependability and confidentiality required.

Must possess the ability to interact with the public, provide programming to various organizations, faith-based community, schools and other agencies. Candidate must demonstrate computer proficiency (Excel, Word and Email).

Call 252-925-2502 for applications.

Volunteers are vital to the organization's overall functioning and success. Hyde County Hotline is a private, non-profit organization in Hyde County dedicated to promoting dignity, respect and safety at home resulting in safer communities. All proceeds from the thrift stores go to support the Hyde County Hotline mission. All donations are tax-deductible and tax donation forms will be mailed to you from Hyde County Hotline.



