

HYDE COUNTY HOTLINE, INC.

We are committed to promoting dignity, respect and safety at home resulting in safer community.

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February Newsletter



Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month

Every year, [approximately 1.5 million high school students nationwide experience physical abuse from a dating partner](#). It is also known that [3 in 4 parents have never talked to their children about domestic violence](#). In light of these alarming facts, every year during the month of February advocates join efforts to raise awareness about dating violence, highlight promising practices, and encourage communities to get involved.

There are many resources available to provide information and support to victims and assist service providers and communities to decrease the prevalence of dating violence among young people. Anyone can make this happen by raising awareness about the issue, [saying something about abuse when you see it](#) and organizing your community to make a difference. [Take Action!](#)

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The number of women murdered every day by a current or former male partner in the U.S.

38,028,000

The number of women who have experienced physical intimate partner violence in their lifetimes.

[American Psychological Association](#)

Learn About Teen Dating Violence



Teen dating violence (TDV) is defined as a pattern of abuse or threat of abuse against teenaged dating partners, occurring in different forms, including verbal, emotional, physical, sexual and digital. TDV occurs across diverse groups and cultures.

Although the dynamics of TDV are similar to adult domestic violence, the forms and experience of TDV, as well as the challenges in seeking and providing services, make the problem of TDV unique.

[The National Resource Center on Domestic Violence](#) and [VAWnet](#) have developed an Online Special Collection: [Preventing and Responding to Teen Dating Violence](#). Recently updated, this Special Collection emphasizes collaborative and multilevel approaches to the prevention of and response to teen dating violence. This year's updates include additional resources for teachers and school-based professionals and a new section to support the efforts of pregnancy prevention advocates and adolescent sexual health practitioners in addressing adolescent relationship

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SAFETY ALERT:

If you are in danger call 911.

Reach: **24/7 Hyde County Hotline 252-925-2500**

Or the National Domestic Violence Hotline
at 1--800-799-7233 or TTY 1--800-787-3224.

January 1 - December 17,2017 (77 Homicides)

Related to Domestic Violence



I WAS A VICTIM

I was a victim
A victim of rape
A victim of rape by someone I knew and trusted, and he was a long time
friend
No one ever thinks that it can happen to them, but it can
It happened to me
I was a victim
It was a long journey back to sanity
There were the nightmares
The pain
The sleepless nights
The bouts of Depression
The loss of friendships
The loss of boyfriends
The loss of trust in men
I'm still on this journey
I was a victim
Asking the questions of:
"Why me?"
"What did I do to deserve this?"
"Will I ever be the same?"
Finally the answers became clear,
It wasn't my fault; I may never know why I was raped.
But will I ever be the same?
No, because I will never forget that night.
But **Yes**, because I am stronger, I am wiser; and I am a Strong Black
Woman!
I was a victim
But now my good days outweigh the bad, and I put my trust in God to help
me
to be able to forgive and to help me make it from day to day.
For now I am no longer a victim...
I am a SURVIVOR!

Wear Orange Day
WHEN: Tuesday, Feb. 13
WHERE: Everywhere!"



Wear Orange Day is a national day of awareness where we encourage everyone to wear orange in honor of Teen DV Month. You can wear orange shirts, nail polish, ribbons, jewelry, shoes or anything else you can think of! Tell people why you are wearing orange and post pictures and updates on [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#) using the hashtags **#Orange4Love**

#HandsUnite and #RespectWeek2018.

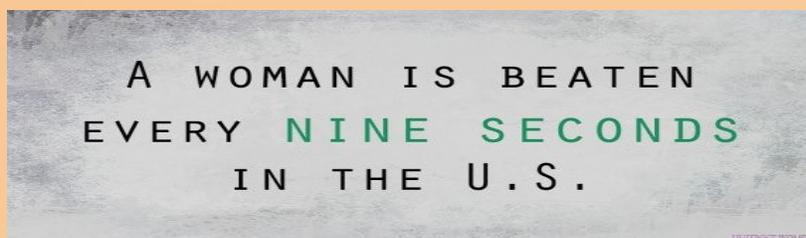
#HandsUnite #DoYourPart #RespectWeek2018
#loveisrespect #loveisrespectofficial #teenDVmonth #DoYourPart #TeenDVmonth
#orange4love

8,000,000

The number of days of paid work women lose every year because of the abuse perpetrated against them by current or former male partners. This loss is equivalent to over **32,000** full-time jobs.

40-45

The percentage of women in physically abusive relationships who are raped and/or assaulted during the relationship.
[Domestic Violence Statistics](#)



Start Talking

NO MORE SILENCE
IT'S TIME TO TALK

For the past ten years, [Break the Cycle](#) and the Love Is Not Abuse Campaign have been hosting [It's Time To Talk Day](#). This awareness campaign aims to generate conversations about healthy relationships and prevent teen dating violence and abuse. This year, the **NO MORE** campaign developed a toolkit titled "[How to Start a Conversation: Talking About Dating and Healthy Relationships Step-by-Step](#)".

Because starting a conversation with teens can be daunting, the toolkit provides parents with an easy to follow guide complete with sample open-ended questions to start a conversation about teen dating violence.

A Partnership to 'Start Talking' About Teen Dating Abuse- Video

<https://youtu.be/sEcgyCjwClc>

50

The percentage of lesbian women who will experience domestic violence (not necessarily intimate partner violence) in their lifetimes.

81

The percentage of women who are stalked by a current or former male partner who are also physically abused by that partner.

WOMEN WHO ARE VICTIMS
OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
ARE **EIGHT TIMES** MORE LIKELY
TO BE KILLED BY AN INTIMATE
PARTNER IF THERE ARE
FIREARMS IN THE HOME.

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[Risk Factors for Femicide in Abusive Relationships: Results From A Multisite Case Control Study](#)

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.

Hyde County Hotline

Serving victims of Domestic Abuse
and Sexual Victimization

24 Hour Crisis Line

252-925-2500

PO Box 335, Engelhard, NC 27824
Advocacy Office: 252-925-2502



We love volunteers!
Please help and call
Hyde County Hotline
252-925-2502.



 Nothing Compares



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