

Hyde County Hotline Newsletter December 2016

Crisis Hotline 252-925-2500



Domestic violence does not discriminate. It is as prevalent in lower-income families as it is in upper income families. The abusers and victims are minimally educated, as well as, multiple degree holders. The faces of domestic violence represent the entire spectrum of racial and cultural colors. Researchable data indicates that 1 out of 4 households are effected by domestic violence. However, those of us who passionately engage in domestic violence awareness and eradication, know that these numbers do not fully, nor accurately represent the incidences of domestic violence. Many occurrences are not reported to the police. The millions of calls made to local and national hotlines are anonymous and thus the content of the calls is not reported to the police or government agencies for statistical

purposes.

Although the national statistics are minimal and inconclusive as to whether domestic violence increases on Christmas day, convincing statistics indicate that two weeks following Christmas and Thanksgiving, calls to domestic violence hotlines and the local police department increase. "One of the things that happens often is that people don't reach out [initially] because they think it's a family time and they ought to be staying together during the holidays. But we know that if you're staying together and it's a violent situation that's not necessarily the best thing for the family and the children.

"Researchers have found that while domestic abuse increases by about 22 percent on Thanksgiving, it is really New Year's that is the biggest holiday of concern. Domestic violence rates increase by an incredible 32 percent during this holiday. Christmas ranks third with a 17 percent increase."

[The Rise in Domestic Violence Is Nothing to Celebrate this Holiday Season](#)



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Abuse within relationships isn't as rare as one might imagine. Current estimates indicate that nearly two thirds of all women have been physically, sexually, or severely emotionally abused by an intimate partner. Men can also be abused, but statistics show that the majority of victims are female. Here's where the workplace becomes involved: studies tell us that [74% of abused women are employed](#), and for many, the maltreatment received at home continues at work. For example, abusers frequently call victims on the job to check up on, harass, or threaten them. They may use proxies, or show up in person to do the same, bothering or

intimidating customers and other workers as well. In fact, current or former husbands and boyfriends commit

over [14,000 violent incidents in the workplace each year](#). Read More:

[*3 Reasons Why Your Company Should Address Domestic Violence*](#)

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