

# Hyde County Hotline

**24 Hour Crisis Line 252-925-2500**

The first step to breaking the cycle of violence is understanding abusive relationships.

Every form of abuse leaves scars. If you or someone you know is a victim of any type of abuse, call 252-925-2500 to learn what abuse is and what your options are. There is hope.

Domestic Abuse is a problem that needs to be fixed and can be prevented with knowledge for the safety of our families, friends, co-workers and community.

The old law about 'an eye for an eye' leaves everybody blind.  
The Time is Always Right to do The Right Thing  
~Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.



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My name is \_\_\_\_\_

and when someone tells me they were raped, sexually assaulted or abused, I...



Go to [www.startbybelieving.org](http://www.startbybelieving.org) for more information about this campaign.

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOMICIDES IN NC from January 1 – June 11, 2014**

**23 Murders**

**[www.nccadv.org](http://www.nccadv.org)**

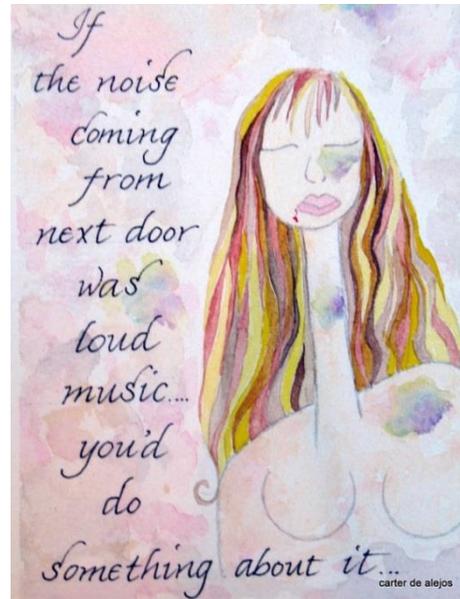
### *OUR MISSION:*

The purpose of Hyde County Hotline, Inc. is to work to eliminate domestic abuse and sexual victimization and to 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.

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Want to learn more about  
being a Hyde County Hotline  
Crisis Line or Shelter  
Volunteer?  
Let us know. 252-925-2500

**Just the  
Facts**



## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE by the numbers

**1 in 4** American women will be assaulted  
by their partners over their lifetimes.

**2** incidents of domestic violence  
are reported to police every  
minute

**3 million +** children witness domestic  
violence each year

**20** The age by which one third of women  
become victims of dating violence

**97%** of women killed by a  
family member were  
killed by their husbands

**4 million** relationships experience domestic violence in  
the U.S. each year

source: Family Rescue

### How you can help...

\*\*Ask how we can help you    \*\* Tell others about our services

\*\*Ask us about presentations

\*\*Donate to our Thrift Store – call us for pick-up of large items

252-925-2502

\*\*Monetary donations are accepted:

PO Box 335, Engelhard, NC 27824

(all donations are tax deductible)



We're on the Web!  
Visit us at:  
[www.hydecounthotline.org](http://www.hydecounthotline.org)



# Hyde Supply

Open Thursday and Friday 10 – 4

Open Saturday 10 – 4

Stop and Shop for the date of our next



# \$5 Bag Sale

Hyde Supply Thrift Store offers gently used, quality clothing, housewares, furniture, books, accessories and many other items to the public at low prices.

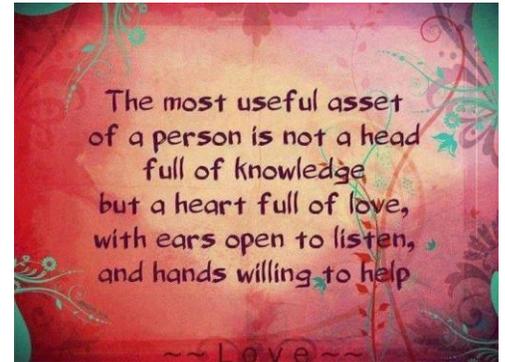
Abuse victims and their children often leave with literally only the clothes on their backs. The thrift stores are able to help an abused family quickly regain one of the basic needs of life that we so often take for granted and begin to restore some of the dignity stripped away by abuse.



Time, Money, Merchandise are all needed and greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your support!

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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 Hyde Supply Thrift Store 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 upon request.

## Domestic Violence Definitions

**Primary Aggressor:** The primary aggressor is the party who is responsible for the perpetuation of the violence, not necessarily who initiated it in one particular incident.

Officers should consider the intent of the law to protect victims of domestic violence from continuing abuse.

**Self-defense:** A person is entitled to use a reasonable amount of force to protect themselves from an assault. A person must have a reasonable fear of bodily injury to justify the use of force. A person may not use more than necessary force nor continue the force once the threat has ceased or been withdrawn. Self-defense is often more difficult to determine in cases of domestic violence and requires careful investigation.

In cases where a history of domestic violence exists between the parties, *an initial strike by the battered person is more than likely self-defense.* The experiences of battered persons may lead them to believe that such action was necessary to defend themselves from an impending violent attack, similar to a law enforcement officer's use of force based on the officer's experience and knowledge. In that situation, the law does not consider the battered person to be an aggressor at all: they may strike first to prevent being struck.

**Abuse:** Patterns of abuse may include: sexual assault; stalking; property crimes; violation of a court order; criminal trespass; intentionally causing or attempting to cause bodily injury; or, placing another person in reasonable fear of imminent bodily injury to him/herself or another.

For more information about

“Domestic Violence: Best Practices for Law Enforcement’s Response”,  
go to the

NC Department of Public Safety’s website  
under the Governor’s Crime Control section at the following link:

<https://www.ncdps.gov/div/gcc/pubs/dvproto.pdf>

