

ENDING INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE IN TRIBAL COMMUNITIES



COALITION to STOP VIOLENCE AGAINST NATIVE WOMEN

WHAT IS INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE (IPV)?

Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) is continuous and intentional behavior within an intimate relationship.¹ This violence can occur between both former and current partners to maintain power and control over an intimate partner. IPV can have serious impacts and complications on survivors mental and physical health and wellbeing for the remainder of their life.

THE MOST COMMON FORMS OF IPV INCLUDE

Physical violence	Stalking	Economic abuse	Ritual or cultural abuse
Emotional abuse	Neglect	Digital abuse	Controlling behaviors

NATIVE WOMEN EXPERIENCE HIGHER RATES OF DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE THAN ANY OTHER GROUP

MORE THAN 4 IN 5

or 84%, of American Indian and Alaskan Native women have experienced violence in their lifetime

66.4%

of women have experienced violence from an intimate partner. (2)

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service providers and law enforcement reported in 2018, 1 in 3 children in the state were present during domestic violence incidents. (4)

48.8%

of Native women have reported being stalked in their lifetime. (2)



While the rates of violence against Native women are shocking, unfortunately, comprehensive data does not exist due to the lack of collaboration between tribal, state, and federal agencies.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

Listen to and believe survivors

Support Violence Against Women Act legislation that works to restore and strengthen Tribal jurisdiction

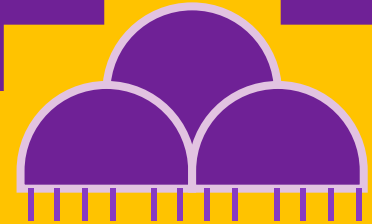
Promote trauma-informed victim-centered services

Advocating for increased funding to Domestic Violence shelters and programs

Create and sustain values and programs in communities that ensure safety and support for survivors

Establish a process for community members who cause harm to account for their actions that focuses on transforming behavior and centers healing

Reform civil and criminal legal systems that focus on the needs to survivors



RESOURCES

StrongHearts Native Helpline
1(844) 762-8483
www.strongheartshelpline.com

The National Domestic Violence Hotline
1-800-799-7233 or 1-800-787-3224
(TTY) www.ndvh.org

New Mexico Crisis and Access Peer to Peer Warmline
1-855-466-7100 (call or text toll free)
www.nmcrisisline.com



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