

Did you know DV happens on the Yavapai—Apache Nation?

61.4% of all Native women will be physically assaulted in their lifetime. (USDDJ/CDC 2004) which is 3 1/2 times greater than the national average (DOJ 1999, DOJ 2002) and most DV is never even reported.

Native American women experience the highest rate of violence of any group in the United States, and experience the highest rate of severe violence at the hands of an intimate partner.

- **American Indian Women** **18.2%**
- **African American Women** **8.2%**
- **White Women** **6.3%**
- **Asian Women** **1.5%**



What is Domestic Violence?

- **Any Abusive or coercive behavior used to control another person.**
- Includes multiple actions; **a pattern** of manipulative and violent tactics.
- Victim forced to change their behavior in response to the abuse.
- Can be in current or former dating, married or cohabitating relationships of heterosexuals, gay men, lesbians, bisexuals and transgendered people.

Domestic violence is so pervasive, intrusive, demoralizing and destructive to the fabric of our Native American communities, that it is one of our most challenging human rights issues. It is the right of every Native American women or man to be free of ever having to be a victim.

When children witness or experience violence in the home, it affects how children feel, how they act, and how they learn. Without intervention, children are at higher risk for school failure, substance abuse, repeat victimization and, perhaps most tragically, in perpetuating the cycle of violence in their own lives.



Our traditional values are of peace and harmony, they promote love and growth within the family.

- **Negotiation & Fairness**
- **Economic Partnership**
- **Shared Responsibility**
- **Respect**
- **Non-threatening Behavior**
- **Honesty & Accountability**
- **Responsible Parenting**
- **Truth & Support**

No matter what happens , you are not alone.

Reach out to the Yavapai—Apache Domestic Violence Program. 928-567-1040