

Facts About Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

- ◆ Ten percent of violent crimes in 2003 were committed by the victim's intimate partner (Crime and Victimization in America: 2005 statistical overview. *National Center for Victims of Crime*. Dec. 2004).
- ◆ Nine percent of murder victims in 2003 were killed by their spouse or intimate partner (Crime and Victimization in America. Dec. 2004).
- ◆ Studies show that child abuse occurs in 30-60% of family violence cases that involve families with children (Edleson, J.L. The overlap between child maltreatment and women battering. *Violence against Women*. Feb. 1999).
- ◆ Approximately 8% of women and 2% of men have been stalked at some point in their lives (Tjaden & Thoennes, Stalking in America, *National Institute of Justice*. 1998).
- ◆ 1 in 4 women and 1 in 6 men will experience a sexual assault in their lifetime (Rennison, 2000).
- ◆ 1 in every 7 sexual assault cases reported to police involves a child under the age of six (Bureau of Justice Statistics, 1996).
- ◆ In 84% of rape cases, the victims know their attackers (National Women's Survey, 1992).

How can you help a victim or survivor of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking or child abuse and neglect?

Educate yourself and share information to raise awareness of the issue!

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24-Hour Hotline
Collect Crisis Calls Accepted

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Free Community Education & Prevention Programs



Alternatives to Violence of the Palouse

Help for victims and
survivors of domestic
violence and
sexual assault

24 hour Crisis Hotline
(208) 883-HELP
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ATVP Free Presentations and Community Education

What is Alternatives to Violence of the Palouse?

Alternatives to Violence of the Palouse is a nonprofit agency that has been serving victims and survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence – as well as their concerned partners, friends, and family members – since 1980. Support is available to women, men, and children (with parental consent) of all ages. All services are confidential, provided free of charge, and without discrimination.

Services provided by Alternatives to Violence of the Palouse include 24-hour telephone and in-person crisis intervention, emergency confidential shelter, advocacy based counseling, legal advocacy, medical advocacy, child advocacy, technology safety education, support groups, and case management. ATVP also provides referrals to other community resources and information about domestic violence and sexual assault.

In addition to direct client services, Alternatives to Violence of the Palouse provides a number of free prevention and community education opportunities. This may include presentations, trainings, outreach events, community fairs, public service announcements, brochures, and other written materials. ATVP offers a variety of presentation topics geared toward any age group. Presentations and trainings are provided at no cost to school classes, university classes, service providers, living groups, professionals (such as in-service train-

ings and staff meeting trainings), and other community groups. Please look at our website for topics or call ATVP today for more information or to schedule your presentation or event.

Examples of ATVP Presentation and Event Topics

Agency Services

This presentation gives a summary of ATVP operations and services. We will discuss ATVP locations and structure, and give an overview of what services are available and how to access them. We may include an introduction to domestic violence and sexual assault. We can discuss training, internship and volunteer opportunities.

Sexual Assault

Sexual assault presentations address the following topics: basic definitions of sexual assault, the victim experience, myths, and what to do if you or a friend has been sexually assaulted. Additional issues discussed include the dynamics of alcohol, brief encounters, consent, drug facilitated assault, the impact of drugs on sexual violence, and risk reduction. We can tailor this presentation toward living groups, community groups, and service providers.

Sexual Harassment

This presentation discusses the definition and severity of sexual harassment, as well as the differences between flirting and hurting. Activities may be used for thinking about the impact of words and messages. This is most frequently presented to junior high and high school aged students.

Talking About Touching

This presentation is targeted at children ages 4 to 12, and discusses the difference between safe and unsafe touches. We will introduce sexual abuse using safe picture stories and discussion questions. We will also discuss safety planning. We can tailor

the presentation for a specific focus or group.

Self-Esteem & Body Image

The focus of this presentation varies by audience. When geared toward K-12 students, we will discuss the importance of looking beyond appearances, and dissect the role media images play in the construction of gender roles and body image. When geared toward adults, we will discuss gender socialization, the impact of sexual and domestic violence on body image, and how to teach positive self-esteem and body image to children.

Child Abuse & Neglect

This presentation gives the types and definitions of child abuse and neglect, including an overview of Washington and Idaho state laws and mandated reporting requirements. We also discuss how to recognize and respond to child abuse. This presentation is often geared toward parents and service providers.

Domestic Violence

This presentation includes the types and continuums of abuse. We will discuss the role of power and control, and barriers to leaving abusive relationships. We may also discuss legal issues and can gear the presentation toward specific groups (for example, married adults or same-sex couples).

Healthy Relationships

This presentation discusses what dating violence is and how to recognize the difference between healthy and unhealthy relationships. We will discuss the role of power and control in relationships, and provide information on resources. This presentation is typically targeted at teens.

*All presentation abstracts are located online at:
<http://community.palouse.net/atvp/Articles/CommunityEducation.html>*