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SEXUAL

VIOLENCE

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IS A NATIONAL CRISIS.

1 ^{IN} 5 WOMEN

HAS BEEN → THE VICTIM
OF AN ATTEMPTED OR COMPLETED
RAPE *IN THEIR LIFETIME*

- Nearly 1 in 2 women have experienced other forms of sexual violence.
- 1.3 million women have been raped in the United States in the last 12 months.
- 1 in 5 men have experienced a form of sexual violence other than rape in their lifetime.¹

The prevalence of rape is not going down, over 80% of cases are not reported, and the negative impacts of rape on victims are going unaddressed.²

There has been little or no change in the rates of prosecution of rape in the last two decades, and lack of prosecution allows serial rapists to go free.^{3,4}

Rape is the most costly of all crimes to its victims, with total estimated costs at \$127 billion a year. In 2008, researchers estimated that each rape cost approximately \$151,423.5.^{5,6}

Sexual abuse has a negative impact on children's educational attainment, later job performance, and earnings. Sexual violence survivors experience reduced income in adulthood as a result of victimization in adolescence, with a lifetime income loss estimated at \$241,600.^{7,8}

Young people suffer from acts of sexual violence at the highest rates, and the likelihood that they will be assaulted by the time they graduate is significant. For example:

- By the time girls graduate from high school, more than one in ten will have been physically forced to have sexual intercourse in or out of school.
- When young women get to college, nearly 20% of them will be victims of attempted or actual sexual assault, as will about 6% of undergraduate men.
- Victims of sexual assault are more likely to suffer academically and from depression, post-traumatic stress disorder, to abuse alcohol and drugs, and to contemplate suicide.⁹

Find sources online at www.endsexualviolence.org/brochurecitations

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A NATIONAL RESPONSE IS REQUIRED.

Entrenched victim blaming attitudes continue to make it challenging for victims to come forward. Overcoming these attitudes requires us to ask disturbing questions of ourselves and each other and to challenge the most secret, private, darkest corners.

Rape crisis centers provide the frontline response to rape and sexual abuse in their communities: advocating for victims, spreading awareness and prevention messages, and coordinating with criminal justice and other professionals who respond to these crimes.

But tight economic times have stretched resources for police and nonprofits alike. Nationally, at least 25% of rape crisis centers have a waiting list for core services, 61% have 3 or less staff, and 93% of staff make less than \$40,000/year.¹¹ And recent gains are in danger of slipping away.

That's why the federal government, with its ability to harness information and direct significant financial resources, must remain a full partner in this effort. Sexual violence is a national problem that needs national, state and local solutions. Congress, by fully funding anti-sexual violence programs, and the White House, by aggressively executing anti-sexual violence laws in place, each has an obligation to end sexual violence.



THE AGENDA

- Reauthorize and fully fund the Violence Against Women Act including the Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP) and the Rape Prevention and Education Program (RPE).
- Preserve and increase the cap of the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) fund.
- Preserve the sex offense set-aside and fund the Preventive Health and Human Services Block Grant.
- Improve the response to victims in under-served populations including communities of color, campuses, the military, public housing, and tribal lands.

A national voice for state and local advocates.



Statewide anti-sexual violence organizations know well the vital roles played by the federal government, police and prosecutors in ending sexual violence. They also understand that this assistance exists under constant threat due to lack of resources or prioritization.

That's why leaders from these statewide anti-sexual violence organizations joined with local rape crisis centers and prominent national advocates to create the National Alliance to End Sexual Violence.

Its mission: to be the voice in Washington for state coalitions and local programs working to end sexual violence and support survivors.

The National Alliance to End Sexual Violence educates the policy community about federal laws, legislation and appropriations impacting efforts to end sexual violence. Its team of experts and advocates, donating time away from their state and local groups, publish written analyses, track legislation, provide media interviews, and advise members of Congress and the executive branch.

THE NATIONAL ALLIANCE TO END SEXUAL VIOLENCE HAS

→ Successfully advocated for the creation of the Sexual Assault Services Program, the first federal funding designated specifically for services for sexual assault survivors.

→ Secured funding for the Sexual Assault Services Program including an \$8 million increase for fiscal year 2012 when most human services programs were being cut.

→ Negotiated successfully for new, improved policies related to sexual assault in Violence Against Women Act Rural, STOP, Arrest, and Legal Assistance programs.

→ Provided leadership on the Violence Against Women National Advisory Committee.

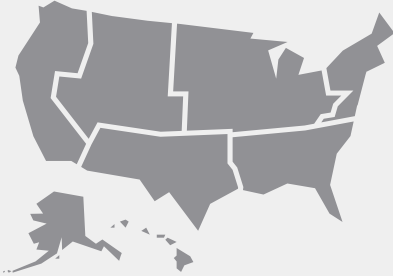
→ Sustained funding levels for Centers for Disease Control (CDC) funded programs including the Rape Prevention Education Program.

→ Assisted federal agencies to update definitions of rape and develop policies that are trauma-informed and survivor-focused.

→ Spoken out on high profile sexual assault cases emphasizing that offenders must be held accountable.

A NATIONAL NETWORK OF

STATEWIDE ORGANIZATIONS *and THEIR ALLIES.*



NORTHEAST

Connecticut Sexual Assault Crisis Services
Sexual Assault Network of Delaware
DC Rape Crisis Center
Maine Coalition Against Sexual Assault
Maryland Coalition Against Sexual Assault
Massachusetts Coalition Against Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence,
Jane Doe Inc.
New Hampshire Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence
New Jersey Coalition Against Sexual Assault
New York State Coalition Against Sexual Assault
Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape
Day One: The Sexual Assault and Trauma Resource Center (of RI)
Vermont Network Against Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault
West Virginia Foundation for Rape Information and Services

SOUTHEAST

Alabama Coalition Against Rape
Arkansas Coalition Against Sexual Assault
Florida Council Against Sexual Violence
Georgia Network to End Sexual Assault
Kentucky Association of Sexual Assault Programs
Louisiana Foundation Against Sexual Assault
Mississippi Coalition Against Sexual Assault
North Carolina Coalition Against Sexual Assault
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South Carolina Coalition Against Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault
Tennessee Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence
Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance
Women's Coalition of St. Croix

MIDWEST

Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault
Indiana Coalition Against Sexual Assault
Iowa Coalition Against Sexual Assault
Kansas Coalition Against Sexual & Domestic Violence
Michigan Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence
Minnesota Coalition Against Sexual Assault
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Nebraska Domestic Violence Sexual Assault Coalition
North Dakota Council on Abused Women's Services

South Dakota Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
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SOUTHWEST

Arizona Sexual Assault Network
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Texas Association Against Sexual Assault

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Nevada Coalition Against Sexual Violence
Utah Coalition Against Sexual Assault
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