

Building Collaborative Relationships to Respond to Stalking

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Why are Collaborations Necessary?

- Is stalking a problem in your community?
- Are there appropriate and effective responses to stalking?
 - Keeping victims safe?
 - Holding offenders accountable?

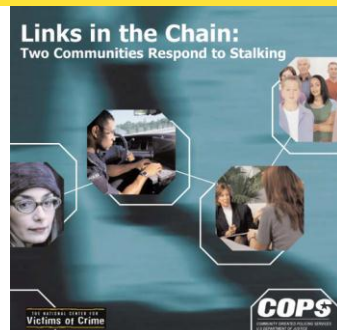
Barriers

- Low reporting rates
 - 37% of male stalking victims
 - 41% of female stalking victims - Stalking Victimization in the United States, BJS (2009)
- Jurisdictional issues
- Lack of resources for law enforcement, Tribal Courts, victim services
- Few Tribal Codes on stalking
- Access issues (phone, transportation)
- Relationships
- Minimization and normalization of stalking

Why Collaborations Are Necessary

- Victim safety
- Services for victims
- Offender accountability
- Community support
- No one agency/entity has all the resource necessary to protect victims and hold offenders accountable

Links in the Chain



Collaborative & Coordinated Response

- Everyone has a role
- Build existing CCRs, task forces, councils, or response teams
- What already exists in your community?
- What could improve?

Envisioning the Perfect Collaboration

- Using materials, write, draw, and/or discuss the “perfect” collaborative model to address stalking for your community
- Be sure to include:
 - Who would participate?
 - What their various roles would be?
 - What guiding principles would you have?

Envisioning the Perfect Collaboration

- Using the model you just created, list or note the anticipated challenges to implementing this collaboration
- These challenges can be ones you foresee or ones that already exist in your taskforces, councils, etc.

Envisioning the Perfect Collaboration

- What opportunities exist to address these challenges?
- Who could help, how you might engage them?

Victim Safety

- No Contact with Offender
 - Protection orders
 - Supervised visitation/safe exchange
- Assistance with Safety Planning
- Resources

Offender Accountability

- Criminal Justice System Response
 - Law Enforcement, Prosecutors, Judges, Corrections, Probation/Parole
 - Tribal Law and Order Act - Sec. 602. Domestic & Sexual Violence Training
 - Requires BIA-OJS to develop trainings for BIA/tribal officers to improve survivor/witness interviews and evidence collection and preservation
- Tribal Codes

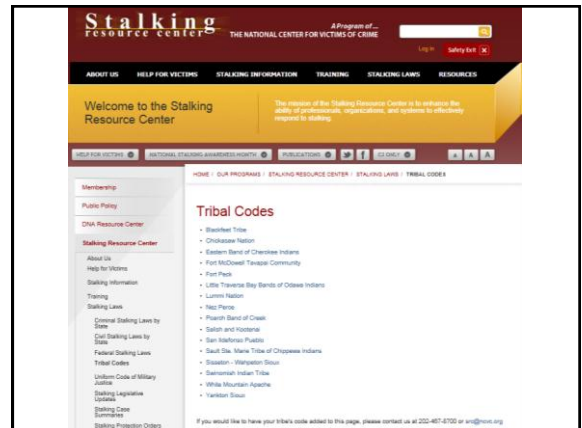
Community Support

- For victims
- For efforts to hold offenders accountable
- Commitment to take stalking seriously
- Awareness

Resources

VAW Tribal Providers

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PO Box 1835
Cherokee, NC 28719
Phone: (828) 497-5507
www.clanstar.org □ Mending the Sacred Hoop
202 E. Superior Street
Duluth, MN 55802
Phone: 888-305-1650
www.mshoop.org □ National Indigenous Women's Resource Center
PO Box 99
Lame Deer, MT 59043
Phone: 406-477-3896
www.niwrcc.org | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Red Wind
3578 Hartsel Drive, E-368
Colorado Springs, CO 80920
Phone: 866.599.9650
red-wind.org □ Southwest Center for Law and Policy
4055 E. 5th Street
Tucson, AZ 85711
Phone: (520) 623-8192
www.swclap.org □ Tribal Law and Policy Institute
8235 Santa Monica Boulevard
West Hollywood, CA 90046
Phone: (323) 650-5467
www.tlpi.org |
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Sisseton - Wahpeton Sioux Tribe §65-01-01. Policy and Intent.

It shall be and is hereby established as the policy and intent of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe to prohibit Harassment and Stalking, without regard to whether the persons involved are family members, were or are married, cohabiting, or involved in a relationship. To provide protection for those who have suffered threats of harm and to impose legal intervention and penalty to violators of this law.

Nez Perce Tribal Code §4-1-41. Stalking.

It shall be unlawful for any person to willfully, maliciously and repeatedly follow or harass another person or member of that person's immediate family.

Poarch Band of Creek Code of Justice §8A-2-5 Stalking

A. A person who intentionally and repeatedly follows or harasses another person and who makes a credible threat, either expressed or implied, with the intent to place that person in reasonable fear of death or serious bodily harm is guilty of the crime of stalking.

Action Plan

Follow-up After Today

- Identify one step or action you will take to try to address stalking better in your community after returning from this conference
- Write at least one “action step” down on the paper provided and self-address the provided envelope
- We will mail this to you in 3 months

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