## **VIOLENCE IS NOT TRADITONAL**

Our work is to end violence among our Native people. We work to restore peaceful harmonious communities which is based on reclaiming our traditional values, belief systems and our way of life. The natural traditional way of life rests upon our values which are reflected in our behaviors and relationships with all things. These values are expressed in the manner in which we behave and relate to others.

## The key values of this way life are:

- Respect
- Generosity
- Compassion
- Mutual Sharing
  - Humility
  - Courage
    - Love
- Being Spiritually Centered
  - Community orientated

## **WAYS YOU CAN HELP:**

- ◆ EDUCATE YOURSELF ON SEXUAL ASSAULT
- ◆ BELIEVE THEM
- ◆ LISTEN TO THEM
- ◆ RESPECT THEIR CONFIDENTIALITY
- SUPPORT THEM AS THEY MAKE THEIR OWN DECISIONS
- ENCOURAGE THEM TO DEVELOP A SAFETY PLAN
- ENCOURAGE THEM TO TAKE THREATS SERIOUSLY
- ◆ BE PATIENT
- ◆ BE THERE FOR THEM BUT BE CAREFUL
- ENCOURAGE THEM TO SEEK HELP



## **EMERGENCY NUMBERS**

**Emergency Response** 

911

**PBPN Tribal Police** 

785.966.3024

PBPN Fire Department

785.966.2164

**Toll Free Crisis Hotline** 

1.866.966.0173

### **PBPN Tribal Victim Services**

11400 158th Road <u>OR</u>

P.O. Box 174

Mayetta, KS 66509

(Located in East wing of PBPN

Health Center -Social Services Office)

Office: 785.966.8330

Fax: 785.966.8383

24 Hour Crisis Hotline:

1.866.966.0173



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# >SAFESTAR <

Enhancing rights, resources and respect for Tribal victims and Native communities hurt by crime.



SAFESTAR is a unique model of care that draws upon the strength and resilience of Indigenous women to put an end to sexual violence and to provide compassionate, holistic care for women and teen victims.

SafeStar volunteers are qualified Native women equipped with the skills necessary to:

- Deliver emergency First Aid to sexual assault survivors
- Provide referrals for follow-up medical and other care
- Educate communities on the harm caused by sexual violence and lead the way back to healthy, respectful ways of living
- Collect sexual assault forensic evidence "rape kits" to promote accountability for perpetrators

#### **MYTHS vs FACTS:**

I didn't yell, kick, or scream NO, is it still rape? Just because you didn't fight back physically, doesn't mean it wasn't rape. Many victims fear that fighting back with force could cause the attacker to become more violent. Lack of consent can be implied by the circumstances, for instance, if you are under the statuary age of consent, mentally incapable of consenting, or were afraid because the attacker threatened you.

I used to date the person who assaulted me; does that mean it isn't rape? Sometimes rape can occur when the victim is dating the offender. Or even if the offender is the victims spouse. It doesn't matter whether it is a boyfriend/girlfriend, spouse or a complete stranger, and it doesn't matter if you've had consensual sex in the past with the same person. If it is nonconsensual this time, it is rape.

I don't remember the assault or I was unconscious, is it still rape? Rape can happen when the victim was unconscious or asleep. If you were asleep or unconscious, then you didn't give consent. If you didn't give consent then it is rape.

**Drug facilitated assault:** when drugs or alcohol are used to inhibit a person's ability to consent to sexual activity. Drugs and alcohol are often used in order to minimize the resistance and memory of the victim of a sexual assault.

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