October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month



If you or someone you know is being abused, call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 800–799–SAFE (7233) or 800–787–3224 (TTY).

If you are interested in more information, referrals, or funding opportunities related to domestic violence, contact the U.S. Department of Justice's Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) at 202–307–6026, or visit OVW's Web site at www.ovw.usdoj.gov.

Working Together to End the Violence

Nearly 25% of surveyed women and 8% of surveyed men said they were raped and/or physically assaulted by a current or former spouse, cohabiting partner, or date at some time in their lives. One in four adolescents also reports verbal, physical, emotional, or sexual abuse each year. These teens may be at a greater risk for unhealthy and abusive relationships as adults. Working together, men, women, and teens can change attitudes and perceptions about domestic violence and dating violence. We can stop the cycle of violence.



