

# SEX TRAFFICKING



"Sex trafficking is a crime that involves the sexual exploitation of another person for personal/ commercial gain. Sex trafficking usually includes the trafficker exercising **POWER & CONTROL** over a victim. The presence of force, fraud or coercion is a useful check if an advocate is unsure. Remember, proof of force, fraud, or coercion needs to be proven if the victim is over 18 years of age." - Tribal Law & Policy Institute

## MYTH

## FACT

Sex trafficking only happens to foreign nationals or immigrants from other countries. It can only happen if you travel to other countries.

Sex trafficking can happen to anyone. Native peoples experience some of the highest rates of sex trafficking compared to any other ethnic or racial group.

There must be elements of physical restraint, physical force, or physical bondage when identifying a sex trafficking situation.

Sex trafficking does NOT require physical harm, bodily harm, physical force, or physical restraint.

Sex traffickers (perpetrators) are always strangers. It is people we don't know.

Sex traffickers can be family members, community members, business owners, intimate partners, new "friends", or people in positions of actual or perceived authority.

Sex trafficking always involves an exchange of money.

Sexual exploitation of another person for personal or commercial gain can be for: money, payment of bills, shelter, food, wood or coal, drugs/alcohol, or anything else of value.



## HTWCEA

- The Hopi Tewa Women's Coalition to End Abuse (HTWCEA) is a non-profit, non-governmental tribal coalition that provides advocacy support to tribal and non-tribal government programs and agencies.
- MISSION:** To advocate for a coordinated and effective response system that creates a safety net towards building healthy communities while embracing the strength of Hopi cultural values and traditions.
- HTWCEA also informs, educates, provides outreach, training and technical assistance, and provides cultural programs on violence against women: domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, dating violence, sex trafficking, and missing and murdered women.



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# Life Supporting Teachings

## Honoring & Respecting Our Hopi & Tewa Women & Girls

1. Teach **Kyaptsi** - All Living Things are respected and honored, especially females. In a healthy relationship, we listen without judgment, value one another's thoughts, feelings, and opinions. Honor each other's decisions and choices.
2. **Wuhti' pas hikyata** - Women and girls are very precious. We must love, honor and respect them as they are vital to the Hopi way of life.
3. **Sumi'nangwa** - Coming together to do activities for the benefit of all, out of a strong desire & commitment to contribute to a better society. Men and women, although their traditional Hopi & Tewa roles are distinct, those roles are co-dependent; one cannot exist or function without the other.
4. **Nami'nangwa** - Helping one another in the times of need, without having to be asked, or expecting compensation for the deed. Be a good, supportive, and empowering friend, relative, or community member to our victims of violence.
5. Teach **Clanship & Identity**. We receive our lineage from our women. Our identity is given to us by our mothers. Therefore, all women must be honored and respected.
6. Teach that Hopi male and female roles are of **Balance and Equality**, not privilege or power. A women's role in the Hopi community is vital to the Hopi way of life.



Protection of our people  
requires all of us. Protecting  
life is honor in itself.

## Resources

### Hopi Law Enforcement Services

928-734-7340 - Dispatch/ Emergency

928-734-7341 - Dispatch/ Emergency

911 - Emergency

928-734-7344 - Administration

### Hopi Domestic Violence Program

928-738-1115

928-401-0005

### Hopi-Tewa Women's Coalition

#### to End Abuse

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### National Domestic Violence Hotline

1-800-799-SAFE (7233)

24 hours/ 7 days week

### National Sexual Assault Hotline

1-800-656-4673

24 hours/ 7 days a week

### Crisis Text Line

TEXT: text "HOME" to 741741

24 hours/ 7 days week

### Hopi Health Care Center

928-737-6000

### Victim Connect Helpline

1-855-4-VICTIM (484-2846)

24 hours/ 7 days week

### StrongHearts Native Help Line

1-844-762-8483

1-844-7NATIVE

7am - 10pm CST

7 days a week

### National Network to End Domestic

#### Violence

www.techsafety.org

### National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

1-800-273-TALK (8255)

24 hours/ 7 days week

### National Human Trafficking Hotline

1-888-373-7888

24 hours/ 7 days week

Text 233733

www.humantraffickinghotline.org/chat



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WEAVING A WEB OF SUPPORT FOR VICTIMS  
OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT.

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