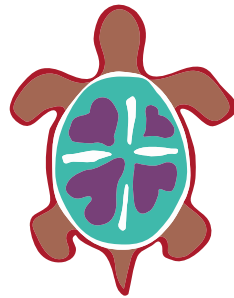


Taking a Native-Centered Approach: Supporting Native Survivors of Domestic Violence and Dating Violence



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The History of StrongHearts

- **2012: The conversation starts**
- **2014: The National Domestic Violence Hotline (The Hotline) begins collaboration with Native Women's Virtual Council**
 - Develops a plan with NIWRC to provide culturally appropriate telephonic and internet-based assistance to Native victims of domestic violence



Our Partners

- **Verizon Foundation** provides initial seed funding in 2016
- **The Hotline** received expansion funding in FY2016 from FYSB/FVPSA program that supported \$1.2M for infrastructure and staff.
- **NIWRC** receives one-year grant subaward from The Hotline to hire program, IT, communications, and leadership staff
 - Collaborates with The Hotline's leadership and operations' teams to launch Native Hotline

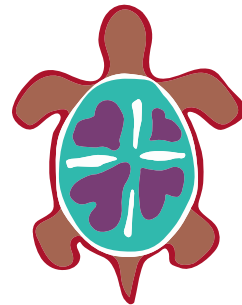


National Indigenous Women's Resource Center

StrongHearts

Established in 2017

Native centered, empowerment based, trauma informed



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Trust. Speak. Heal. Together.

Our Advocacy

- **Advocates are trained with a strong understanding of:**
 - Native cultures
 - Tribal sovereignty
 - Jurisdiction issues



Our Service Priorities

- **Who We Serve:**

- Any American Indian, Alaska Native or Native Hawaiian affected by domestic violence or dating violence

- **What We Provide:**

- Immediate support, crisis intervention and personalized safety planning
- Information and education
- Referrals to culturally-appropriate services
- Available Monday – Friday from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. CST
 - Callers after hours are given the option to connect with The Hotline or to call back the next business day.

Our Database: Native-Centered Services

- **Considers Whether Service Is:**
- Affiliated with tribe
- Has any unique requirements to receive services
- Enrollment status
- Or available to any Native American
- Offers cultural practices
- Provides Native language services
- Offers emergency medical services

Specializing Data

- Tribal Affiliation
- Enrollment
- Tribal Land
- Abusive Partner
 - Native vs. non-Native
- Abuse Type

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Specializing Data

- **Victim Situation**

- Domestic Violence
- Sexual Assault
- Helper Calling – MMIW
- Cultural Abuse

- **Service Barriers**

- Lack of Legal System
- Protective Order Enforcement
- Other Jurisdiction Issues

- **Native Languages**

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Supporting Native Survivors



Native female: Caller reached out to StrongHearts for her cousin, who was incarcerated as a result from her victimization as a domestic violence survivor. She was looking for appropriate legal resources for her relative.

Through grassroots efforts and use of our database, our advocate was able to provide contact information for attorneys and other resources in Indian Country. **The caller was grateful for the Native peer to peer support and perspective.**

What You Can Do

- **Join our database:**
 - Email:
info@strongheartshelpline.org
- **Use StrongHearts as a resource:**
 - Visit strongheartshelpline.org
 - Connect on social media
 - Request printed materials
- **Share StrongHearts in your community: 1-844-7NATIVE**



Domestic violence and dating violence are not Native American traditions, and neither is ever okay.

