

# MISSING & MURDERED INDIGENOUS PEOPLE



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**This toolkit provides tribal organizations with graphics to amplify awareness regarding the crisis of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Peoples.**

**(MMIP)**

**It includes ready-to-use social media posts. By utilizing these resources, your organization can effectively engage your audience, educate the public, and contribute to a meaningful change in the fight against MMIP.**





*May 5th*  
**WEAR RED**

National Day of Awareness  
For Missing and Murdered  
Indigenous People

No More Stolen Relatives



## Missing & Murdered Indigenous People



Overall, more than 1.5 million American Indian and Alaska Native women have experienced violence in their lifetime.

In 2020 homicide was in the top 10 leading causes of death for AI/AN females aged 1-45.

Native American and Alaska Native  
**rates of murder, rape, and violent crime**  
are all higher than the national averages.

Indian Affairs (IA). "Missing and Murdered Indigenous People Crisis | Indian Affairs." Indian Affairs (IA).  
[www.bia.gov/service/mmu/missing-and-murdered-indigenous-people-crisis](http://www.bia.gov/service/mmu/missing-and-murdered-indigenous-people-crisis).

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## Access to Services

AI/AN victims of violence are more likely to experience injuries requiring medical treatment and less likely to be able to access services than non-AI/AN women.

This includes increased risk of hospitalization, lack of access to rape kits, and the need for time to recover from injury and assault.

AI/AN female victims are 1.5 times more likely as non-Hispanic white female victims to be physically injured.



Rosay, A. B. (2016). Violence Against American Indian and Alaska Native Women and Men: 2010 Findings from the National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey. Washington, DC: US Department of Justice.

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More than 4 in 5 American Indian and Alaska Native women (84.3%) have experienced violence in their lifetime and that of Indigenous women who have experienced violence

- 56.1% have experienced sexual violence,
- 55.5% have experienced physical violence by an intimate partner,
- 48.8% have experienced stalking, and
- 66.4% who have experienced psychological aggression by an intimate partner.



National Institute of Justice. "Violence Against American Indian and Alaska Native Women and Men." National Institute of Justice, report, May 2016. [www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/-/media/Project/Websites/mdhhs/Division-of-Victim-Services/MDSVPTB/Board-Documents/MMIWIR-Fact-Sheet42123.pdf?hash=786](http://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/-/media/Project/Websites/mdhhs/Division-of-Victim-Services/MDSVPTB/Board-Documents/MMIWIR-Fact-Sheet42123.pdf?hash=786).

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# SEARCHING FOR A LOVED ONE



This guide provides information and practical resources to assist family members and friends with the search for a missing loved one.

## FIRST DAYS AFTER DISAPPEARANCE

Contact local law enforcement as soon as possible to file a report.

Dial 911 when there is evidence or suspicion of foul play or your loved one is in danger.

## FILING A MISSING PERSON REPORT

Contact law enforcement in person, over the phone, or online to file a missing person report. Provide as much information as possible about the missing loved one.

This includes their last known whereabouts, places they like to go, and friends or relatives who may have been in contact with them.

## TAKE NOTES FOR YOUR OWN RECORDS

- Name and phone number of the police department
- Name of officer you spoke with and their badge number
- Date and time the missing person report was filed
- Missing person case report number
- Notes about the conversation

"When a Loved One Goes Missing: Resources for Families of Missing American Indian and Alaska Native Adults." Operation Lady Justice, Operation Lady Justice, 2021. [www.operationladyjustice.usdoj.gov](http://www.operationladyjustice.usdoj.gov).

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