



## 2021 ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT



# Missing Murdered Indigenous Women Coalition

## Annual Impact Report 2021

MMIW NC Coalition's mission is to build a strong foundation for healing, justice, and reconciliation for the governments (local and state), institutions and community to help society's attitudes and understanding of the issue. We intend to create a more equitable, just, and nurturing world for women, girls and two-spirits and the communities they transform.

### COMMUNITY IMPACT & CHANGE IN 2021

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#### Community Talking Circles

Twelve talking community talking circles were provided to indigenous women, girls and 2Spirits in the North Carolina, Virginia, and South Carolina Communities, from powwows to healing circles.

500

#### In Kind Service Hours

Over five hundred community service hours were provided to indigenous women and girls in the North Carolina, Virginia and South Carolina Communities educating about MMIW, Human Trafficking. Which is equivalent to 208 days.

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#### Community Partnerships

Five nonprofits across the state of NC provided education and information sessions about women, girls and two-spirits in the North Carolina, Virginia and South Carolina Communities educating about MMIW, Human Trafficking.

3,000

#### Seeds Planted

Community Gardens were provided for grounding for families, victims, advocates, activists, as a way for grounding and getting hands into the soil, and seed repatriation, along with the principles of land back, restorative justice and healing.

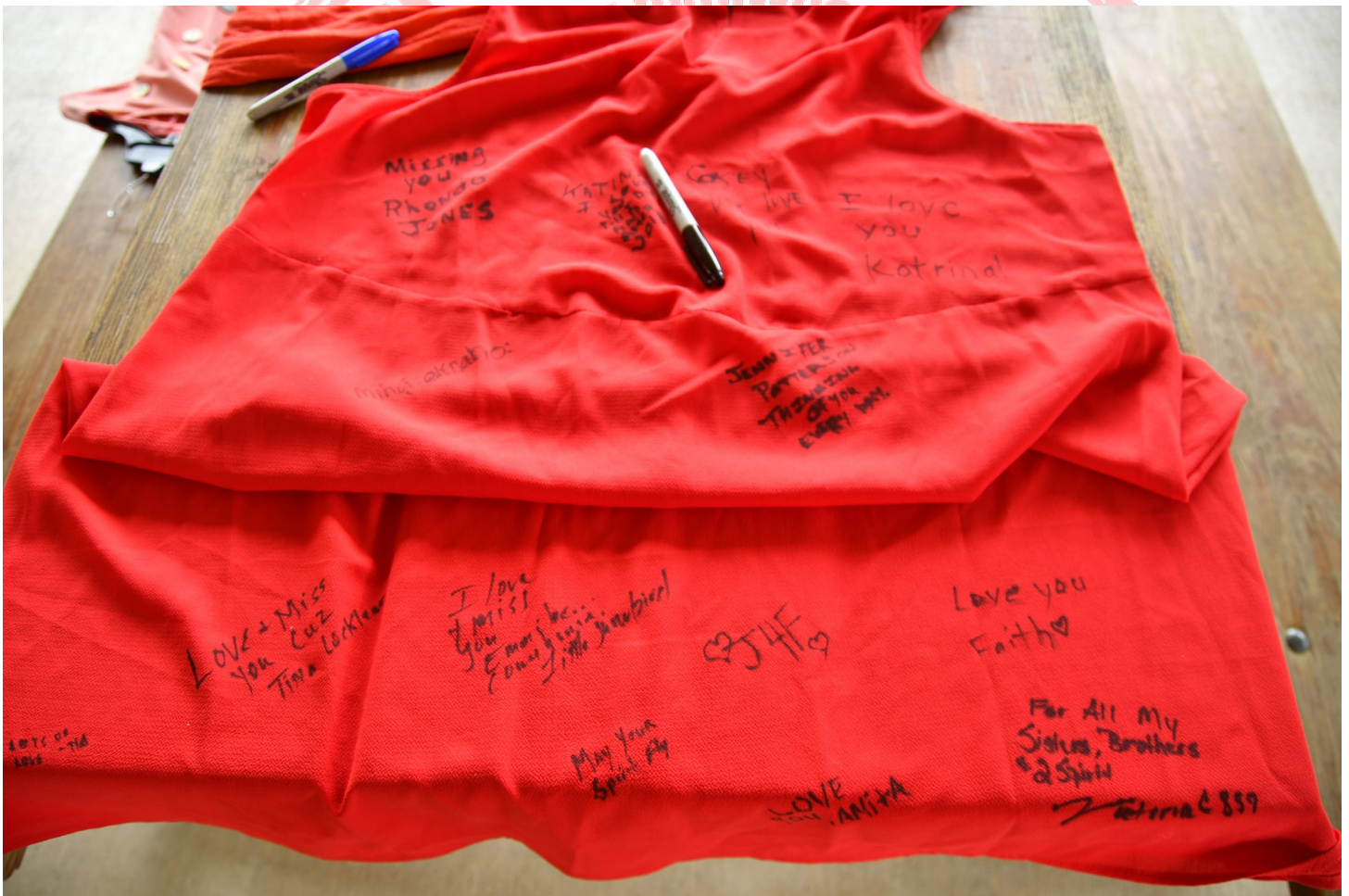
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#### Art Build

Two Art Builds in the community. We hope you are as proud as we are of all we've accomplished together. We couldn't do what we do without you – thank you for the faith you put in our team and the work we do to protect our people and this community.

## Talking Circles

Talking circles, peacemaking circles, or healing circles, as they are variously called, are deeply rooted in the traditional practices of indigenous people.<sup>1</sup> In North America, they are widely used among the First Nations people of Canada and among the many tribes of Native Americans in the US.



## *Self Defense & Education*

The first goal of MMIW NC is to provide education against sexual violence to American Indian (AI) women and girls. The second goal is to teach self-defense to women and girls in the community. Although self-defense classes are increasingly popular, especially those focused on empowering survivors, they sometimes still meet skepticism and resistance for various reasons. This program happens every quarter.



# THE PEOPLE BEHIND THE SCENES

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chair: Jane Jacobs

Vice-Chair: Patrick Suarez

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Treasurer: Jason Keck

Members:

Shelia Price, Nicki Mustafa, Alexis Jones, Rebecca LaClaire, Aminah Ghaffar, Crystal Cavalier, Terri Silver, Amelia Oxendine, Esther Whitmore, Mary Crowe, JD Arch, Ramona Big Eagle, Seth Harris, Jane Jacobs, Patrick Suarez, Tonya Luke

## STAFF

Executive Director: Crystal Cavalier

Intern/social media: Shelby Rogers

Program Manager: Aminah Ghaffar

Self Defense/Men's Cohort: Jason Keck

Social Enterprise Coordinator: Samantha

## COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Women AdvaNce  
NC 17 Rivers AIM  
Women's Earth  
Alliance

MERCK  
Gordon Allen Photography

Meherrin Nation  
New North Carolina Project





# BIG GIVING, BIG CHANGE

Generosity was at an all-time high in 2021.

287 Donations for a total of \$9070.00 for  
Rally and General Operation Fund

\$2500 for our Radio and Billboard Awareness  
Campaign

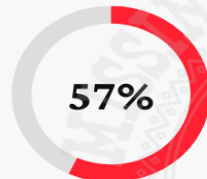
15 Tee Shirts sold for our MMIW 2021 Rally \$300

Because of your cumulative investment for 2021 of over \$12,000  
we reached more communities and shared our information with more community members.  
Thank you for your incredible support!

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# MMIW NC



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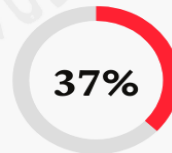
Out of 106 Missing and Murdered Cases spanning back to the 1960s to 2021:

57% of women and girls are missing

43% of women and girls have been murdered

## 37% have been under the age of 20

4% - Under age 10  
17% - ages 21 to 30  
14% - ages 31-40  
8% - 41-50  
2% - 51-59  
2% - 60+  
16% - unknown ages



37%

## 30% of the victims went missing in 2020-2021



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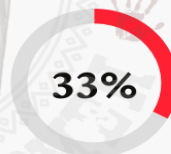
2% went missing in the 1960-1969 time frame.  
3% went missing in the 1970-1979 time frame.  
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8% went missing in the 1990-1999 time frame.  
19% went missing in the 2000-2009 time frame.  
24% went missing in the 2010-2019 time frame.  
12% of the cases are from an unknown determined time period

## 33% - Victims were from Robeson County

14% from Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (Reservation)

5% from both Cumberland and Guilford Counties

4% went missing from Orange County



33%

[www.mmiwnc.com](http://www.mmiwnc.com). As recent as December 2021

*\*Only the EBCI were confirmed enrolled, research gathered by MMIW  
NC Coalition Researchers/Staff*



Help protect human rights.

# MMIW NC

Discuss and learn what you can do about this.



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