

Mission Statement: The Mission of Crisis Connection Inc. is to work in partnership with communities to empower victims, survivors & persons affected by domestic & sexual violence through confidential crisis intervention, education and advocacy in Crawford, Dubois, Orange, Perry and Spencer Counties.

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*Violence
is the
Parent and
Child of
Violence.*

STALKING AWARENESS

http://www.crisisconnectioninc.org/domesticviolence/are_you_being_stalked.htm

TEN THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT STALKING

1. Stalking is a crime. Stalking is a course of conduct directed at a specific person that places a reasonable person in fear for her or his safety. It is against the law in every state. Stalking across state lines or in federal territories is illegal under federal law.
2. Many people are stalked. 1 in 12 twelve women and 1 in 45 men will be stalked in their lifetimes. 1.4 million people are stalked every year in the United States.
3. Stalking can be very dangerous. 76 percent of women killed by their intimate partners were stalked by these partners before they were killed. All stalkers should be considered unpredictable and very dangerous.
4. Stalking is harmful and intrusive. Stalking victims often lose time from work or never return to work, and some even relocate to regain a sense of safety. Many suffer from anxiety, insomnia, and severe depression as a result of being stalked.
5. Anyone can be stalked— not just celebrities. The vast majority of stalking victims are ordinary people. Furthermore, most stalkers are not strangers, but are known by their victim.
6. Stalking can occur during a relationship, after a relationship, or in the absence of a relationship. Stalking often begins during a relationship. Stalkers may keep the victim under surveillance or threaten her or him. Others begin stalking after the victim has ended the relationship, and the stalker feels desperate to maintain or regain control. Still others become fixated on a victim without ever having had any relationship with the person. All forms of stalking are unpredictable, and all should be considered dangerous.
7. Technology can be used to stalk. Although newly-developed technology enhances our lives, it can also empower criminals. Cell phones, computers, and surveillance equipment are just some of the technologies stalkers now use.
8. An effective response to stalking includes the entire community. Police, prosecutors, advocates, educators, reporters, neighbors ... everyone can and should play a part in stopping stalking. Working together, we can make victims safer.
9. You can make a difference. Visit <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/> to learn more about stalking and how to fight it.
10. Help is available. If you or someone you know is being stalked, contact Crisis Connection, Inc. at 1.800.245.4580

<http://www.stalkingawarenessmonth.org/>



STALKING MYTHS & REALITIES

Only celebrities are stalked.

1.4 million people are stalked every year in the United States. We may hear more about celebrity stalking cases in the media, but the vast majority of stalking victims are ordinary citizens.

If you ignore stalking, it will go away.

Stalkers seldom "just stop." In fact, behaviors can turn more and more violent as time goes on. Victims should seek help from advocates, law enforcement, and the courts to intervene to stop the stalking.

Stalking is creepy but not dangerous.

Stalking is creepy *and* dangerous. Three out of four women who were murdered by an intimate partner had been previously stalked by the killer.

Stalking is annoying but not illegal.

Stalking is a crime under the laws of all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and the federal government.

You can't be stalked by someone you are still dating.

If your current girlfriend or boyfriend tracks your every move or follows you around in a way that causes you fear, that is stalking.

Modern surveillance technology is too expensive and confusing for most stalkers to use.

Stalkers can buy surveillance software and hardware for as little as \$30 and can easily track victims' every move on a computer.

If you confront the stalker, he'll go away.

Stalkers can be unreasonable and unpredictable. Confronting or trying to reason with a stalker can be dangerous.

Stalking
resource center

www.ncvc.org/src
1-800-FYI-CALL

THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR
Victims of Crime

STALKING: KNOW IT. NAME IT. STOP IT.

LEARN MORE:

http://www.crisisconnectioninc.org/pdf/Domestic_Violence_Stalking.pdf

http://www.crisisconnectioninc.org/domesticviolence/what_is_stalking.htm

CHECK OUT WWW.THINKB4YOUSPEAK.COM.

GLSEN, the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network, is a leading national education organization focused on ensuring safe schools for all students. Their comprehensive report on the experiences of LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender) youth surveyed 6,209 middle and high school students and found that nearly 9 out of 10 LGBT students (86.2%) experienced harassment at school in the past year.

To help combat the problem, they worked with the Ad Council to develop a 'Think Before You Speak' campaign. There are powerful resources on the website: www.thinkb4youspeak.com.

Other website tools that are helpful: Parents, Friends & Families of Lesbians & Gays, www.pflag.org; Teaching Tolerance, www.tolerance.org; Gay-Straight Alliance Network www.gsanetwork.org and The Advocate www.advocate.com/



REMEMBER MY NAME

South Carolina ranks seventh in the nation for the number of women killed by abusive partners. In response, ETV aired presentations of its award-winning **Remember My Name** programming to promote the awareness of domestic homicide and abuse.

You can see clips of powerful personal stories at:

http://www.sctv.org/television/productions/remember_my_name/index.cfm

Also on their site are songs written by Danielle Howle including 'Remember My Name' and 'Ignited' that can be listened to and downloaded. Licensing info is available at: www.daniellehowle.com.

The other video on the same site worth checking out is their "Silent Witness Ceremony" on the State Capital stairs – a snapshot is pictured to the right.



Remember
my Name



there is
no excuse

DO YOU KNOW ANY OF THESE PEOPLE?



This is a story about four people: Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody.

There was an important job to be done and Everybody knew it.

Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it.

Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did.

Somebody got angry because it was Everybody's job.

Everybody knew that Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Somebody wouldn't do it.

Everybody blamed Somebody because Nobody did what Anybody could have done.

And Everybody blamed Somebody because Nobody actually asked Anybody.

AN OLD COWBOY'S GUIDE TO LIFE!

Submitted by D. Howell, BIP (Batterers Intervention Program) Facilitator

- ⇒ Don't squat with your spurs on!
- ⇒ Don't interfere with somethin' that ain't botherin' you.
- ⇒ The easiest way to eat crow is while it's still warm.
The colder it gets, the harder it is to swallow.
- ⇒ If you find yourself in a hole, the first thing to do is quit diggin'
- ⇒ If it don't seem like it's worth the effort, it probably ain't.
- ⇒ It don't take a genius to spot a goat in a flock of sheep.
- ⇒ The biggest troublemaker you'll probably ever have to deal with watches you shave his face in the mirror every morning.
- ⇒ If you get to thinkin' that you are a person of some importance, try orderin somebody else's dog around.
- ⇒ Always drink upstream from the herd.
- ⇒ Generally, you ain't learnin' nothin' when your mouth's a-jawin'.
- ⇒ If you're ridin' ahead of the herd, take a look back every now and then to make sure it's still there with ya.
- ⇒ When you give a personal lesson in meanness to a critter or a person, don't be surprised if they learn real well.
- ⇒ When you're throwin' your weight around, be prepared to have it thrown around by someone else.
- ⇒ Lettin' the cat out of the bag is a whole lot easier than puttin' it back in.
- ⇒ The quickest way to double your money is to fold it over and put it back in your pocket.
- ⇒ Never miss a good chance to shut up.



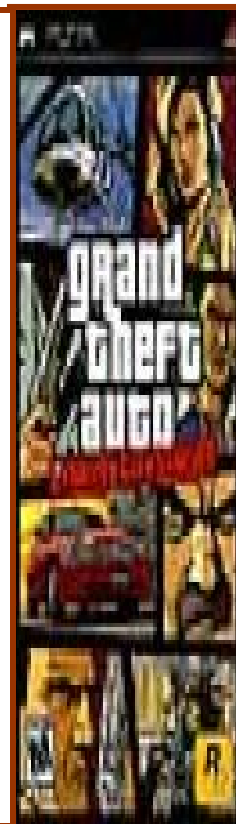
GRAND THEFT AUTO IV VIDEOGAME

From: Common Sense Media

Storylines feature domestic violence, drug smuggling, contract killings, rigged elections, drunk driving, cannibalism, car bombings and police corruption. As with past Grand Theft Auto games, players can brutally kill innocents and police officers with all manner of weapons, including samurai swords, flame throwers, shotguns, and rocket launchers, to name a few.

People who play this game may want to ask why, despite all the negative attention, games like Grand Theft Auto, keep getting made & make millions of dollars? How far will videogames go in depicting sexual fetishes, extreme violence, and hateful language? Are there standards that should be enforced, or should game developes be able to express their visions in a free economy in any way they choose?

Learn more about videogames on our website:
http://www.crisisconnectioninc.org/teens/violence_in_video_games.htm



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[www.enditnow.gov](http://www.enditnow.gov)

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<http://www.rainn.org/get-information/links>

"In the end, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends." ~MLK