

## ***What is Safe Place?***

*The mission of Safe Place is to offer a visible support system for victims of sexual assault, intimate partner violence, and stalking through outreach, crisis intervention, advocacy, and educational programming at California State University, Chico and Butte College campuses.*

### **Crisis Intervention Services**

- Catalyst Domestic Violence Peer advocates, Rape Crisis Intervention Peer counselors available to serve victims and survivors of sexual assault, intimate partner violence and stalking
- Provide appropriate referrals to campus and community resources.

### **Educational Programming**

- Provide outreach activities to students, staff, and faculty on campus.
- Deliver prevention education presentations on the dynamics of sexual assault, intimate partner violence, and stalking.

### **Resources for Campus**

- Information packets, handouts, and brochures.
- Safe Place staff can assist students or others interested in research.

## **Campus Resources**

Counseling and Wellness

Center (530) 898 - 4697

Student Health Center

(530) 898 - 5241

University Police Department

(530) 898 - 5555

AS Women's Center

(530) 898 - 5724

Judicial Affairs

(530) 898-6897

## **Community Resources**

Catalyst Domestic Violence

Services 800– 895– 8476

Rape Crisis Intervention

(530) 342 - 7273

Chico Police Department

(530) 897 -4911

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# *Safe Place*

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## Sexual Assault

- 1 in 5 women are sexually assaulted during a 5-year college career.
- Sexual violence includes rape, attempted rape, incest, child sexual assault, sexual harassment and indecent exposure.
- It can happen anywhere at any-time, to anyone, male or females can be victimized.
- Sexual assault is a crime, used by one person to control, dominate and humiliate another.
- The offender, not the survivor, is always at fault.

### Myths & Truths

- Myth: Women are most often sexually assaulted by strangers.
- **Truth: Women are most often sexually assaulted by someone they know.**
- Myth: Women make it up.
- **Truth: False accusations are exceedingly rare.**
- Myths: A woman says “no” when she means “yes.”
- **Truth: No never means yes.**

## Intimate Partner Violence

- 1 in 3 women will be victims of intimate partner violence (IPV).
- IPV can be defined as the abuse of one person to another with whom the abused has a significant and intimate relationship.
- IPV is not about anger; it is about control.
- The abuser uses different forms of violence to gain power and control in the relationship.

### Myths & Truths

- Myth: She must have done something to deserve it.
- **Truth: A person NEVER deserves to be a victim of violence.**
- Myth: Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) only happens to certain kinds of women.
- **Truth: IPV can happen to any woman.**
- Myth: IPV is only physical violence.
- **Truth: Physical violence is preceded by verbal and emotional abuse.**

## Stalking

- 18% of college women report being stalked.
- Stalking is a series of actions that makes the victim feel afraid or in danger.
- Stalking is serious, often violent, and can escalate over time.

### Myths & Truths

- Myth: Stalking is not dangerous.
- **Truth: Stalking is dangerous.**
- Myth: You can't be stalked by someone you're still dating.
- **Truth: If your partner tracks your every move making you fearful, that is stalking.**
- Myth: If a victim ignores stalking, it will go away.
- **Truth: Stalkers seldom “just stop.”**