**Point-in-Time Count: TIP SHEET FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, STALKING**

* Give them a resource sheet with local, county resources: include food pantry, free medical/dental clinics if you have one, local hospitals, phone number to apply for food stamps/Medicaid, local law enforcement numbers, location of your county courthouse
* Embed somewhere in the resource page the local 24-hour crisis hotline for the domestic violence shelter serving your county. This can be found at [www.mocadsv.org](http://www.mocadsv.org). If you do not have a domestic violence shelter in your county, put the national domestic violence hotline number.
* Contact your local shelter a few days before the count. Let them know you have a team of volunteers going out for PITC. Inform them that the Unsheltered Count asks individuals if they have been victims of domestic violence. Ask what their procedures are for making referrals, if they have transportation to help get someone to shelter, what services they can or cannot provide.
* Ask if the shelter has an advocate that can be part of the team in case you come across survivors that need help.
* Call the shelter the day of the count and check on their bed status. Are they full? Do they have openings to accept people? If they are full, still make the referrals as trained advocates will be able to safety plan over the phone.
* Can your team afford to purchase one or two track phones loaded with 60 minutes to give to survivors who may be fleeing and in need of a telephone for safety? The phone can be used to call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at a later point. If not needed, they can always be donated to a local community organization for re-gifting.

Resource Sheet

National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233

National Sexual Assault Hotline: 1-800-656-4673

National Human Trafficking Hotline: 1-888-373-7888

United Way: 2-1-1 (local resources)

Other Local Resources:

* In \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_County, call your coordinated entry access point, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for help with your housing crisis.
* If you are injured, go to a hospital emergency room.
* Call the police if someone has assaulted you. It is against the law for someone, even a partner or spouse, to beat you.
* File an Order of Protection at your county courthouse if your partner or spouse is hurting you and will not leave you alone. This is a request that your abuser be ordered not to abuse, threaten, or harass you.
* Closest warming center to you: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Closest homeless shelter to you: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_