17TH ANNUAL CLOTHESLINE PROJECT
OCTOBER 3RD-7TH
MONDAY-THURSDAY 8AM TO 8PM
FRIDAY 8AM TO NOON

Help us take a stand against domestic violence and sexual assault in our community.
This issue affects everyone.

Take Back the Night Rally
Thursday, October 6th
7:00 pm
Memorial Union Ballroom

This year’s guest speaker is John Clune, attorney for the Victim Justice law firm, specializing in victim's rights and legal representation of victims. In 2004 John assisted the victim in the Kobe Bryant sexual assault prosecution in Eagle County.

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OCTOBER IS…
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH
Stop by the Women’s Center!
Hours:
Monday-Friday
8:00am-4:30pm
Or visit our website at:
http://und.edu/student-life/womens-center
Kay Mendick, Director
Patty McIntyre, Program Associate
October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Help counteract cuts made to shelters and hotlines due to our economic situation:

1. **Host a clothing-swap fund-raiser** with all your old clothes! Pass a hat around to raise funds for a designated domestic violence shelter. Find out how to host a swap at swapforgoog.org

   “In March 2010, in one 24-hour period alone, more than 65,000 victims of domestic violence and their children received life-saving services from local domestic violence programs. Domestic violence experts answered more than 23,000 emergency hotline calls. In one day, 9,280 requests for services went unmet, largely due to lack of funding.

   Although the economy does not cause domestic violence, factors associated with a sour economy can increase the severity and frequency of abuse. At the same time, safety options and resources for survivors can be more limited.

   Domestic violence and sexual assault are pervasive and life-threatening crimes affecting millions of people across the US (and the world) regardless of age, economic status, race, religion, sexual and gender orientation, or education.”

   - according to http://swapforgood.org/why-domestic-violence/.

2. **Recycle your electronic items**, like used cell phones, PDAs, inkjet cartridges, iPods, laptops, video games & consoles and digital cameras to benefit a victims of domestic violence non-profit of your choice. For a full list of participants and listing of items see:

   http://recyclefordomesticviolence.com/

3. **Donate your clunker** car. Visit the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence website to find out how and where: http://ncadv.org/

4. **Donate Locally!** Basic hygiene and child care items are needed by the local Grand Forks Community Violence Intervention Center. Check out their website wish list at:

   http://www.cviconline.org/Donations.htm

PROTECT YOURSELF RESPECT YOURSELF

IT IS IMPORTANT TO PRACTICE SAFER DATING AND PARTYING. MOST SEXUAL ASSAULT OCCURS BETWEEN ACQUAINTANCES AND PEOPLE WHO KNOW ONE ANOTHER. ALWAYS BE PREPARED TO PROTECT YOURSELF!

♦ CARRY YOUR CELL PHONE FULLY CHARGED AND READILY ACCESSIBLE.
♦ KNOW THE FACTS ABOUT ENGAGING IN SEXUAL ACTIVITY. USE CONDOMS, USE CONDOMS, ALWAYS USE CONDOMS!
♦ IF YOU CHOOSE TO DRINK, HAVE A DESIGNATED DRIVER.
♦ KNOW THE FACTS ABOUT ROHYPNOL, THE DATE RAPE DRUG WHICH IS ODORLESS, COLORLESS, AND TASTELESS. OFTEN TIMES IT IS PUT INTO THE BEVERAGES OF VICTIMS WHILE PARTYING.
♦ TELL SOMEONE WHERE YOU ARE OR WILL BE AND WHAT TIMES BEFORE YOU GO OUT.
♦ UND OFFERS CERTIFIED IMPACT COURSES FOR COLLEGE CREDIT. PLEASE CONTACT THE WOMENS CENTER TO SIGN-UP FOR IMPACT.
Domestic Violence Resource Center can be accessed for further information at [http://www.dvrc-or.org/domestic](http://www.dvrc-or.org/domestic)

**Rape / sexual assault:**

Three in four women (76%) who reported they had been raped and/or physically assaulted since age 18 said that an intimate partner (current or former husband, cohabiting partner, or date) committed the assault.

One in five (21%) women reported she had been raped or physically or sexually assaulted in her lifetime.

**Stalking:**

Annually in the United States, 503,485 women are stalked by an intimate partner.

One in 12 women and one in 45 men will be stalked in their lifetime, for an average duration of almost two years

Seventy-eight percent of stalking victims are women. Women are significantly more likely than men (60 percent and 30 percent, respectively) to be stalked by intimate partners.
(Center for Policy Research, Stalking in America, July 1997)

Eighty percent of women who are stalked by former husbands are physically assaulted by that partner and 30 percent are sexually assaulted by that partner.

Victims may experience psychological trauma, financial hardship, and even death.
(Mullen, Pathe, and Purcell, Stalkers and Their Victims, New York: Cambridge University Press, 2000)

Seventy-six percent of female homicide victims were stalked prior to their death.
**Authentic Voices Logo Pin:**

The dark field represents the struggle with ongoing pain related to abuse.

The maroon field represents the wound of abuse.

The white heart represents individuals’ ability to heal from those wounds.

The white dove represents hope for a full, joyful life.

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**Suggested Donation price for pin & book $5.** All funds raised will be donated to **Prevent child abuse North Dakota.**

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**Where to Find Us:**