25 YEARS STRONGER
LOOKING BACK, MOVING FORWARD

UNDERSTANDING SEXUAL ABUSE, ASSAULT, AND HARASSMENT

SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH 2026

SEXUAL VIOLENCE IMPACTS EVERYONE. ANYONE CAN BE A VICTIM OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE, AND PEOPLE WHO COMMIT SEXUAL ABUSE, ASSAULT, AND HARASSMENT EXIST IN ALL OF OUR COMMUNITIES. THIS ILLUSTRATES WHY IT'S IMPORTANT FOR ALL OF US TO CARE ABOUT SEXUAL VIOLENCE AND TAKE STEPS TO PROMOTE THE SAFETY AND WELL-BEING OF OTHERS.

FORMS OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE INCLUDE:

- RAPE OR SEXUAL ASSAULT
- SEXUAL HARASSMENT
- SEXUAL ABUSE
- UNWANTED SEXUAL CONTACT/TOUCHING
- SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND TRAFFICKING,
- EXPOSING ONE'S GENITALS OR NAKED BODY TO OTHERS WITHOUT CONSENT
- NONCONSENSUAL IMAGE SHARING AND/OR COERCION (INCLUDING AI-GENERATED IMAGERY)
- WORDS AND ACTIONS OF A SEXUAL NATURE AGAINST A PERSON'S WILL AND WITHOUT THEIR CONSENT