WOMEN ARE SACRED

comes from our stories and our teachings. When something is held as being sacred, it is to be respected, honored and held with the high regard of its power. This would include our children and life itself. Also to include the non-human beings such as mother earth and living things around us.

This means that when you are treated with respect, you are being given messages in words and in action that show you that you are valued, loved and treated with care.

In our Prophecies we should treat everyone and everything with respect. Include ourselves.

This is something that every human being should be able to expect from their partner.

ITEMS TO TAKE WHEN LEAVING:

- Identification
- School and Vaccination Records
- Medication
- Money/Check Book/Credit Cards (including EBT card)
- Address Book
- Legal/Medical Documents

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND/OR SEXUAL ASSAULT SERVICES PROVIDED BY DTSU

AVAILABLE 24 HOURS A DAY, 7 DAYS A WEEK
ON CALL PAGER: 1-877-617-6456

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Nebraska Legal Aid
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National DV Hotline
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Nebraska Child Abuse Hotline
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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE/SEXUAL ASSAULTPROGRAM

"VIOLENCE IS NOT OUR TRADITION"

LOVE DOESN'T HAVE TO HURT

What is Domestic Violence? Domestic violence is best understood as a pattern of abusive behaviors -- including physical, sexual, and psychological attacks as well as economic coercion -- used by one intimate partner against another (adult or adolescent) to gain, maintain, or regain power and control in the relationship. Batterers use of a range of tactics to frighten, terrorize, manipulate, hurt, humiliate, blame, often injure, and sometimes kill a current or former intimate partner.

Many Forms of Domestic Violence to gain Power and Control, not only physical:

- Isolation
- Intimidation
- Using children
- Emotional abuse
- Economic Abuse
- Coercion and Threats
- Minimizing
- Denying and blaming
- Culture abuse
- Ritual abuse
- Male privilege and sexual abuse

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An intimate partner is someone who you live with or have lived with. This can be a boyfriend, a husband, a girlfriend, or a wife.

The following questions can help you think about whether you are living with Domestic Violence:

DOES YOUR PARTNER:

- Embarrass you with put-downs?
- Look at you or act in ways that scare you?
- Control what you do, who you see or talk to or where you go?
- Stop you from seeing your friends or family members?
- Take your money or Social Security check, make you ask for money or refuse to give you money?
- Make all of the decisions?
- Tell you that you're a bad parent or threaten to take away or hurt your children?
- Prevent you from working or attending school?
- Destroy your property or threaten to kill your pets?
- Intimidate you with guns, knives or other weapons?
- Shove you, slap you, choke you, or hit you?
- Force you to try and drop charges?
- Threaten to commit suicide?
- Threaten to kill you?

If you answered yes to any of these questions you maybe be in a abusive relationship.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT RESOURCES PROVIDED:

- Legal and Court Advocacy
- Transportation
- Assistance with Protection/Harassment Orders
- A Safe Place/ or Shelter Placement
- Advocacy
- Community Resource Referral
- Develop a Safety Plan
- Supportive and Safe Environment
- Phone Cards, Gas Vouchers, Food and Clothing
- Limited Financial Assistance
- Educational Presentations
- Weekly Women's Support Group Meetings- call for details

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