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Haven House Newsletter

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month

What is online Sexual Abuse?

Sexual Assault is forced, manipulated or coerced sexual contact. It is a part of rape, child sexual abuse, same-sex assault, transgender sexual assault, acquaintance rape, drug-facilitated rape, harassment and marital rape.

Online sexual abuse can be any type of sexual harassment, exploitation, or abuse that takes place through screens.

Forms of online sexual harassment or abuse include:

- Sending someone unwelcome communication about sex or hateful comments based on sex, gender identity, and/or sexual orientation.
- Sending partners, friends, acquaintances, or strangers unwanted requests for nude photos or videos or to live stream sexual acts.
- Performing sexual acts on webcam without the consent of everyone involved or in inappropriate settings (like during an online class or online work meeting).
- Sharing private images or videos without the consent of everyone involved (also known as revenge porn or nonconsensual pornography — which, as of February 2021, is illegal in 46 states plus Washington, D.C.).
- Sharing porn in spaces where not everyone has consented to view it (for example, in inappropriate spaces like Zoom meetings, where this is also called Zoombombing).
- Grooming children to enable their sexual abuse either online or offline.

As technology has evolved to become part of our everyday lives, our awareness of ways it can be used to bully, threaten, and abuse has grown as well. Common abusive behaviors online include creating or posting child sexual abuse materials (sometimes called child pornography), online harassment, or posting unsolicited explicit images.

Terms

- Sextortion threatening to expose images or videos of someone against their will as a form of blackmail to control and manipulate them. Sextortion is often used to coerce victims for sexual, personal, or financial gain.
- Zoombombing unwanted disruption or infiltration of an online meeting by uninvited members, often including insults or harassment. A Zoombomber may enter a chat with their camera off and under a different name, and then change their profile, audio, or visual once they are inside the meeting.
- Revenge Porn intentional or malicious sharing of intimate images of videos which may or may not have been taken with consent, usually done to intimidate, humiliate, or slander the victim.
- Doxxing refers to revealing the identity, name, address, or persona details of someone who goes by an alias or screen name or whose information was previously not public.

June is Elder Abuse Awareness Month

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) was launched by the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse and the World Health Organization at the United Nations.

The purpose of WEAAD is to provide an opportunity for communities around the world to promote a better understanding of the abuse and neglect of older persons by raising awareness of the cultural, social, economic, and demographic processes affecting elder abuse and neglect.



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Staff Highlights







Katie Gannon

Our new outreach coordinator is Katie who grew up in a small town in Iowa and recently moved to Wayne with her girlfriend, Devin. Katie is excited to educate the community and be involved with different projects. As for her free time, she enjoys spending time with her girlfriend, Devin, and fur babies, Luna, Auggie, Rain, and Bean.



Brittney Urbanek

Brittney is our new Criminal Justice Liaison at the Wayne Office. In May 2023 she will graduate from Wayne State College with her bachelor's degree in Human Services and Counseling. She also has her associate's degree in Criminal Justice. Her favorite hobbies include playing with her cat, Loki, being with family, playing volleyball, and weightlifting. Brittney is looking forward to engaging with the community as part of the Haven House team.



Ana

Ana is our new Enhanced Services client at the South Sioux City Office. She grew up in Siouxland and is eager to help the community with her skills and experience. Ana's favorite food is pizza and she enjoys reading and spending time with her wife and son. She is currently continuing her education to better herself and future.

Looking for a Hiring rewarding Career?

SA/DV Advocate (Pender Nebraska)

Provide crisis intervention, advocacy, case management, information, referral services, and follow-up services to survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault human trafficking, stalking, and harassment.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Bachelor's degree or equivalent experience in a related field preferred
- Ability to provide absolute confidentiality
- Experience in leadership and/or supervision
- Knowledgeable of issues related to domestic, dating, and sexual violence
- Knowledgeable in the field of Criminal Justice
- Excellent organizational & communication skills (written & oral)
- Ability to work independently as well as cooperatively
- Ability to remain calm and work sensitively with clients
- ✓ Valid driver's license, insurance, and vehicle
- ✓ Ability to lift up to 25 pounds
- Primarily business hours between 8:30 a.m. 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday
- Some evening/weekend work required/On-Call
- ✓ Occasional overnight travel

To apply email your cover letter and resume to debbieg@havenhousefsc.org

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Active in the Community



Support Groups

Free & Confidential Childcare provided Every Tuesday

Grupos de Apoyo

Gratis & Confidencial Cuidaremos a sus Hijos Cada Martes

Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Agresion Domestica & Agresion Sexual

4:00 - 4:45 PM

For more information call (402) 375-5433 or email hh@havenhousefsc.org Para mas informacion llama (402) 375-5433

Omandanos un correo electronico hh@havenhousefsc.org





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February 7th Orange Day





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Haven House's Bilingual Advocates presented at Dakota City Elementary in South Sioux City about our services. Some important topics were how to identify unhealthy family behaviors, what is domestic and sexual violence, as well as talking about believing survivors, and consent versus the power and abuse within dating violence with minors and how there is a stigma on minors dating adults, when in reality it is pedophilia.

They also attended the Bilingual Advocates training on what challenges have been present during advocacy with the Hispanic and Latino community. The group is finding ways to collaborate and find solutions to better serve individuals and advocate against structural oppression.



Associated Wholesale Grocers, Nebraska Division provided a grant request in the amount of \$3,000

Cynthia Puntney Administrative Services Supervisor, AWG Nebraska Division

> Amber Bruegman Shelter Advocate

Katie Gannon Outreach Coordinator











