Our Voices Have Power. Together, We Can Build Safe & Respectful Communities.

Building Connected Communities is the 2024 campaign theme for Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM). This month, let’s work together to draw attention to the prevalence of sexual assault and educate ourselves and our campus communities about how to prevent it.

ENHANCE YOUR KNOWLEDGE: KNOW THE FACTS

Approximately 1 in 5 women in the U.S. reported completed or attempted rape at some point in their lifetime, including completed forced penetration, attempted forced penetration, or alcohol/drug facilitated completed penetration. Nearly a quarter of U.S. men experienced completed or attempted rape victimization in their lifetime.

Sexual violence, stalking, and intimate partner violence are serious public health problems affecting millions of people in the United States each year. These forms of violence are associated with chronic physical and psychological adverse health conditions, and violence experienced as a child or adolescent is a risk factor for repeated victimization as an adult. First launched in 2010 by CDC’s National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, the National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey (NISVS) is an ongoing, nationally representative survey that assesses sexual violence, stalking, and intimate partner violence victimization among adult women and men in the United States.