

UNDERSTANDING CONSENT, SEXUAL ASSAULT, AND REPORTING

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For many survivors, reporting their assault is an important part of their healing. Choosing what to do after experiencing sexual assault can be challenging, but there is no right or wrong course of action, it is ultimately your decision.

CALL THE AUTHORITIES

CALL 911

An official investigation cannot begin until reported to Law Enforcement.

Below are some other methods to receive support in filing a report.

NPS Dispatch
209-379-1992

Available 24/7 for emergency assistance from park service law enforcement officers.

Can provide help even if not called immediately.

Investigative Services Branch

202-379-4761

Victim Assistance

Victim_assistance_program@nps.gov

SEEK MEDICAL CARE

These contacts can help initiate a law enforcement response and investigation.

Yosemite Valley Medical Clinic
209-372-4637

Can provide examination services and counseling referrals. Clinicians can help survivors collect useful evidence for the reporting.

SPEAK WITH SOMEONE

Local Resource Groups

One option is contacting a local organization that helps those affected by sexual assault & domestic violence.

The groups below have sexual assault hotlines available 24/7 and can provide or connect you with:

- Legal Assistance
- Medical Examinations
- Safe Housing
- Professional Counseling
- Support Groups
- Safety Planning

Mountain Crisis Services

888-966-2350

Mariposa, CA

mountaincrisisservices.org

Valley Crisis Center

209-722-4357

Merced, CA

valleycrisiscenter.org

National Sexual Assault Hotline

800-656-4673 rain.org/resources

A national hotline, available 24/7, with knowledge of the reporting process.

Center for a Nonviolent Community

209 533-3401

Sonora, CA

nonviolentcommunity.org

For Workplace Harassment

Contact your company's Human Resources or The Equal Opportunity Office (EEO)

www.eeoc.gov

*All groups listed are committed to serving individuals of all genders, races, sexual orientations, religions, abilities, and other identities.

WHAT IS CONSENT?

"An active agreement to engage in sexual activity."

Consent must be

1

Informed

They know what they're agreeing to.

Explicit

2

A clear "yes".

3

Freely Given

They said "yes" because they want to, not because they had to.

A PERSON CANNOT CONSENT IF THEY ARE

- Under the influence of drugs or alcohol
- Mentally compromised
- Asleep
- Underage
- Threatened, coerced, or intimidated

