

ANTI RAPE



YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO SAY NO TO RAPE

Rape is defined as forced manipulative or coerced sexual intercourse (or other sexual acts) against the will of the victim .if the act occurs while the victim is unconscious, asleep or otherwise unable to communicate unwillingness , it is still rape.

The scourge of rape is continuing to ravage our communities in the north west province. The rate at which the incidents are being reported is alarming.

According to a study conducted by interpol , a woman is raped every 17 seconds in south africa. It is a disturbing trend as the incidents continue to increase.

Reports of rape have dominated headlines in the media, but it is disturbing that some of the incidents are not reported due to the stigma or fear experienced by the victims.

It is also disturbing that of the victims, especially under age victims ,are attacked by neighbours or relatives whom are supposed to protect them it is therefore imperative that Government and civil society structures work closely together to rid our communities of the spate of rape incidents. Victims are encouraged to break the silence and report incidents so that offenders can be identified and dealt with in terms of the law.



CATEGORIES OF RAPE HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

- gang rape: rape by more than one person
- incest: rape by someone who is blood related to the victim



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"Working Together Towards A Rape Free Society"

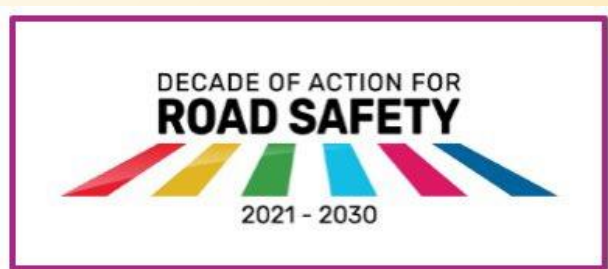
IMPORTANT CONTACT NUMBERS

Contact your local police station or phone:

SAPS Emergency Line	10111
SAPS Crime Stop	08600 10111
Women Abuse Helpline	0800 150 150
Child line	0800 055 555
AIDS Helpline	0800 012 322

Departmental Call Centre: 0800 204 992

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- stranger: rape by someone who is unknown to the victim
- rape of elderly and mentally challenged victims
- date rape: rape by companion on date/outing
- rape of a minor/child
- drug induced rape : spiking of a drink with drug which induces sleep
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Procedures when reporting a rape incident:

- A police official will obtain your statement, which you can make in your own language
- A police official will provide you with case number which you may use for future enquiries about your case
- A police official will ensure that you are examined by a health care professional, who will collect medical evidence and complete a medical report. It should be emphasized that a victim must not wash after a rape incident in order to preserve this medical evidence

-Request the contact details of the investigating officer so that you may contact him or her about your case but also ensure that the investigating officer has your details to update you about the progress of the case

A person becomes more vulnerable when:

- in dark and deserted places
- walking alone at night, while drunk
- if you are lost and do not know where you are going
- if you talk to strangers and stop for stranded people or vehicles

In trying to prevent becoming a victim of rape one must:

- observe your surroundings and be familiar with danger zones.
- always surround yourself with people that are familiar to you, especially at night.
- do not allow anyone to touch you in a way that makes you feel uncomfortable
- be firm and clear, say no! do not leave drinks or food unattended in public places