

## It Takes All of Us

Our VISION is to promote healthy, respectful relationships at the individual, family, community and society levels and to promote attitudes that do not tolerate domestic and sexual violence

Local, regional, and statewide efforts are underway to coordinate and implement effective community-based prevention activities, as highlighted in Michigan's new prevention plan

*Domestic and sexual violence are critical issues that call for community-wide approaches that stop violence before it can begin*



The full version of the Statewide Prevention Plan, including a summary of the resources assessment, definitions, and references is available at [www.mcadsv.org](http://www.mcadsv.org)



## Preventing Sexual & Domestic Violence in Michigan



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Prevention Section, your local rape  
crisis center, or your domestic violence agency.

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# Michigan Is Moving Forward

**GOAL 1:** Ensure necessary state and local resources for the primary prevention of domestic (intimate partner) and sexual violence

**GOAL 2:** Elevate the profile of primary prevention as a priority policy issue

**GOAL 3:** Michigan communities will work together to bring about the social change necessary to end domestic (intimate partner) and sexual violence

*Creating the social change needed to ensure that our children and grandchildren inherit a world where fear does not exist and where domestic violence and sexual assault are unthinkable*

## Here's what YOU can do:

### Parents

Understand the many forms of abuse (emotional, verbal, psychological, physical, etc). Teach your child about consent and how to treat others with respect. Teach non-violent ways of resolving conflict and model healthy relationships. Advocate for healthy relationships curricula to be taught in schools and youth organizations.

### Youth

Get involved. Learn what respect looks like. Know your resources. Start a dating violence prevention club at your school. Speak up when you see someone being disrespectful. Attend a Teen Dating Violence Prevention Summit or start one in your community.

### Men

Educate and re-educate your sons and other young men about their responsibility in ending men's violence against women. Remember that silence is affirming. When you choose not to speak out against men's violence, you are supporting it. ([www.aalltomen.com](http://www.aalltomen.com))

### Policymakers

Meet with domestic and sexual violence prevention experts and become familiar with primary prevention programs in your community and across the state. Collaborate with colleagues to expand opportunities and develop funding for high-quality domestic and sexual violence primary prevention programs.

### People Who Work With Youth

Create safe environments. Show youth they are valued. Teach and model respect. Implement a prevention curriculum and/or sponsor dating violence prevention efforts. Encourage youth to be leaders in ending abuse.

### Faith Leaders

Talk openly about issues of violence and abuse. Use sermons and other activities to educate adults, youth, and staff about healthy relationships and how to prevent abuse. Display educational materials and posters that reinforce the value of respect in relationships.