Tribal Outreach and Engagement Strategies

- Contact Tribes, tribal social service agencies, and tribal courts that may be in your county
  Let them know what services your self-help center provides
  Ask them what you can do for them
  Resources: See maps for Tribes in your area and Statewide Directory of Native Services:
- With tribal input, develop or adapt brochures
  Resources: tribal resources in your area, other tribal brochures, and DV brochure templates:
  [http://www.red-wind.net/](http://www.red-wind.net/)
- Partner with tribal communities to hold informational presentations or clinic hours on tribal lands
  Resources: Alpine Superior Court, Butte Superior Court, Imperial Superior Court, Inyo Superior Court
- Hire Native attorney or community liaison to provide outreach
- Collaborate with the tribal court, if there is one in your area, and share resources
  Resource: California Tribal Court / State Court Forum, local tribal courts
  [http://www.courts.ca.gov/3065.htm](http://www.courts.ca.gov/3065.htm)
- Establish or participate in a local tribal/state court or local agency collaboratives; invite tribal representatives to join existing collaboratives
  Resources: Imperial Superior Court, Inyo Superior Court, Lake County Roundtable, Los Angeles County Community Coalition, and Riverside County Tribal Alliance for Indian Children and Families
- Establish protocols, such as:
  - reciprocal enforcement of tribal court and state court protective orders
  - formalization of service protocols, including those for referrals and services
  - development of safety protocols for Native victims of domestic violence
  Mending the Sacred Hoop’s manual, Addressing Domestic Violence in Indian Country,

Advocacy Tips

- Be mindful of the traditions and cultural norms of tribes in your area.
- Know that Native persons may be reluctant to claim Native heritage.
- Know that “[t]o a sexual predator, the failure to prosecute sex crimes against American Indian women is an invitation to prey with impunity.” Dr. David Lisak, Clinical Psychologist & Sex Offender Expert
- Hold the perpetrator accountable, even if he or she is a highly respected member of the community
- Understand Full Faith and Credit— be familiar with the full faith and credit provisions of the Violence Against Women Act (18 U.S.C. §§ 2265, 2266)
Finding Solutions/Resources/Discussion

- Tap into the extraordinary resources of Native people and their communities
- Tap into other self-help centers working with the Tribes and tribal communities
- Tap into the California Tribal Court / State Court Forum
- Tap into the workshop faculty’s wealth of knowledge and expertise:

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