



"Let's put to practice the world in which we want to live."

– #NiUnaMenos Movement

[March 8, 2017] – Violence against women is the most pervasive yet least recognized human rights abuse in the world. For over 45 years, we have been part of a movement that seeks to bring about a world without violence. A world where no wife is battered, no friend raped, and no child is abused. A world without terror, without threats, without wounds from intentional actions. Where the strong provide for the vulnerable, where the vulnerable become empowered, where every kind of family is safe and secure, and girls and boys and women and men have a fair and equal chance at the pursuit of happiness in a tolerant and just society.

As an organization started by pioneering feminists, we acknowledge and support the need for women to come together, mobilize, and organize in order to create this world that we want for ourselves, our families, our communities and our country. At the same time, as a crisis intervention center, we are first line responders for women experiencing sexual assault and intimate partner violence. Therefore we cannot close our doors or stop our social justice intervention and prevention work, but instead we intentionally choose to remain open and fully operational. Today, on International Women's Day, we stand in solidarity with all women and the International Women's Strike by showing up, like we did yesterday and the day before, and every day for the past 45 years. We show up for the women, trans, queer, children, youth and men in need of support and lifesaving services at a vulnerable and traumatic time of their life.

Today, [Peace Over Violence](#) joins the call for a day of action in solidarity with women from all over the United States and in over 48 countries.

Today, we stand with women surviving all over the world. Women who suffer sexual harassment in the street and at work. Women who are controlled by their partners. Women who are suffering gender based violence. Women workers that make less than their male counterparts. Women who are rape survivors and the attacker was never held accountable. Women who die during unsafe abortions because of abortion bans. Women who are denied their right to choose. Women who survive the violent criminalization and dehumanization of immigrants and refugees throughout the world. Women who are trafficked throughout the world. Women whose voices are silenced. We hear you and we see you.

**We Stand With You.  
United Over Violence.  
Together in Solidarity.**

#### MISSION

Building healthy relationships, families and communities free from sexual, domestic and interpersonal violence.

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