

### DATING VIOLENCE



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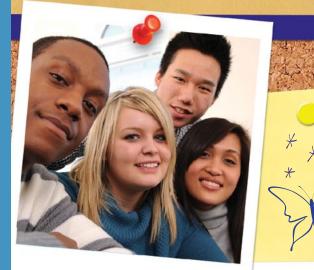
A Woman's Place (AWP) Young Adult Advisory Board (YAAB) is a group of passionate and creative youth leaders dedicated to raising awareness about dating violence among their peers and helping AWP create a safer Bucks County. They do this by informing decision-making at AWP and working alongside staff to plan various awareness campaigns, events, and speaking engagements, including AWP's annual 5K race. Contact AWP for more information or to apply for a position on YAAB. Woung advisory boogard

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#### Choose to Date. Choose to Be Safe.





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# WHAT IS DATING VIOLENCE

Dating violence is a pattern of controlling behavior that someone uses against a girlfriend or boyfriend. It can include verbal and emotional abuse - constant insults, isolation from family and friends, name calling, controlling what someone wears - and it can include physical and sexual abuse.

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- □ Control where you go, what you wear, or what you do?
- **Try to stop you from seeing or** talking to family or friends?
- □ Call you derogatory names, put you down, or criticize you?
- □ Threaten or scare you?
- □ Hit, slap, push, or kick you?
- □ Force you to do something sexual when you don't want to?

If you answered YES to any of these questions, your health and safety may be at risk. If you think you may be in an abusive relationship, there are people you can talk to and resources that can help.

#### Common Tactics Used By Abusers >>>

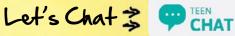
We encourage you to report any suspected cases of abuse or harassment to our Free, Private, and Confidential 24-hour hotline...

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1 in 3 teens who have been in a relationship have been text messaged 10, 20, or 30 times an hour by a partner finding out where they are, what they are doing, or who they are with.

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Looking for dating violence resources? Got a question you're too afraid to ask?



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I in 3 teens, both boys

and girls, experience

some kind of abuse

in their dating relationships and more

than 2/3 will never

report this to anyone.