Facts About Sexual Assault In North Dakota January – December 2011

- ❖ 828 primary victims and 258 secondary victims were served by 21 sexual assault crisis centers throughout North Dakota. This number reflects a 13% decrease from the same period in 2010.
- ❖ At least **290** (**35%**) of primary victims were under the age of 18 years old at the time of the assault/s.
- ❖ At least **743** (**90%**) of the **victims** were **female**.
- ❖ At least **797** (**96%**) of the **assailants** were **male**.
- ❖ 76% of the crimes were reported to law enforcement. This is a 6% increase from 2010.
- ❖ At least 45% of <u>adult</u> victims contacted a sexual assault center about the crime within 2 days of the assault. 21% of <u>adult</u> victims contacted a sexual assault center within 3-30 days after the assault.
- ❖ At least 87% (724) of the cases were male assailant/female victim.
- ❖ At least 9% (73) of the cases were male assailant/male victim.
- ❖ At least 65% of the adult assaults were rape, 6% attempted rape, and 29% were sexual contact other than rape or attempted rape.
- ❖ In adult cases 9% of the assailants were strangers. In child cases 2% of the assailants were strangers.
- ❖ In at least 41% of all cases the assailant was a friend/acquaintance/date of the victim.
- ❖ At least 28% of all cases were incest or indicated a history of incest. In at least 10% of adult sexual assault cases reported, the victim also experienced sexual abuse/incest as a child.
- ❖ At least **9,356** services to **primary victims** were provided by crisis center advocates from January to December 2011.
- ❖ At least 39% of the assaults occurred in the victim's or assailant's home.
- ❖ At least 36% of the victims were **referred** to sexual assault service providers by **themselves**, **friends**, **or family members**.

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