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Milwaukee Commission on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Statement on Available Resources
Partners citywide urge compassion, remind community of resources available to support residents

MILWAUKEE – This election season has led numerous members of our community to question if they belong here. Many have expressed feeling threatened, excluded, and fearful for their safety and for the safety and wellbeing of their loved ones. These concerns are heightened for those from marginalized and vulnerable populations. Furthermore, triggering and harmful conversations about sexual violence have also been generated by this presidential race.

In light of these reactions, the Milwaukee Commission on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault urges greater inclusion and civility. We stand in solidarity with our colleagues to oppose discrimination, oppression, and sexual violence of any kind.

It is our collective responsibility to strive towards an equitable society and foster a culture that is welcoming for all. Diversity enriches our community. We must value the contributions of each and every individual while resisting oppression and discrimination in all forms. Sexual violence and oppression are inherently linked and must be addressed together. To that end, we remain steadfast in our commitment to prevent sexual violence and advocate for those affected by it.

The Commission encourages community members to exercise patience and compassion with one another. We champion efforts to bridge our differences, address the root causes of oppression, and create a safe, welcoming, and inclusive society for everyone.

If you or someone you know needs support at this time, know that your healing is important, and help is available. Please connect with one of the agencies below:

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Think Health. Act Now!

Diverse & Resilient Resource Line <i>For LGBTQ community</i>	(414) 856-LGBT (5428)
The Healing Center <i>For adult survivors of sexual abuse</i>	(414) 671-HEAL (4325)
Hmong American Women's Association <i>Hais lus Hmoob</i>	(414) 462-5031
Latina Resource Center <i>24-hour crisis line, Se habla español</i>	(414) 389-6510
Milwaukee LGBT Community Center	(414) 271-2656
Pathfinders <i>For youth, age 25 and younger</i>	(414) 964-2565
Sexual Assault Treatment Center <i>24-hour hotline</i>	(414) 219-5555

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The City of Milwaukee Commission on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault was founded by the Milwaukee Common Council in 1979 and is housed in the City of Milwaukee Health Department. The Commission is a multidisciplinary board, representing the many systems that serve victims in our community to improve local response to domestic violence and sexual assault.