

# Hate Crimes

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## What is it?

A hate crime is the victimization of an individual based on their race, religion, national origin, ethnic identification, gender or sexual orientation.

Hate crimes may occur at school, work, home or in any public place.

## A victim of a Hate Crime might:

- Be Angry
- Have a sense of personal hurt or betrayal
- Feel powerless or isolated
- Fear for their safety
- Might make changes in their lifestyle

## What to do if you become a victim:

- Get to a safe place
- Tell someone you trust
- Seek medical attention
- Try to remember who the person was or what they looked like.
- Call the police, make a report

- *Physical assaults*
- *Assaults with weapons*
- *Harassment*
- *Vandalism*
- *Robbery*
- *Rape*
- *Verbal harassment*
- *Attacks on home or places of worship*

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## BRAVO Offers:

- Crisis Intervention
- Documentation
- Judgment-Free support
- Links to local Law Enforcements
- Community-wide Education
- Self-Defense Classes & Support Groups

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