If you or someone you know has experienced sexualized violence, our 24-hour hotline is available at 707-445-2881. If you know a man who has been sexually abused or assaulted, you can offer support. Respect his choices. Offer resources. Know that it is NOT HIS FAULT!

Together we can work to END VIOLENCE and TO BE BELIEVED!

When it happens

North Coast Rape Crisis Team
24 hr Hotline: 707-445-2881
TTY (M-F 8:30-5:00) 707-443-2738

Youth Service Bureau Hotline
707-443-2738

Planned Parenthood
707-442-8700

North Coast Rape Crisis Team - DEL NORTE
24 hr Hotline: 707-465-2881
TTY (Mon-Fri 8:30-5) 707-445-2738

Raven Project
707-444-2773

Del Norte County Human Rights Commission
707-266-2446

MEN DESERVE SUPPORT and TO BE BELIEVED!
**Facts & Stats**

* 1 in 6 male children will experience sexualized violence before age 18.
* An estimated 92,700 men are forcibly raped each year in the U.S.
* Approximately 8% of reported rapes involve male victims.
* While some perpetrators are women, most sexual assaults of men are committed by other men.
* People sometimes confuse male-on-male assault with issues of orientation. In fact, men who sexually assault other men nearly always identify as "straight."
* Same-gender and other-gender partner violence happens at similar rates.

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**Barriers**

Many societal attitudes make it difficult for boys or men to name what has happened to them. Some of these **MISCONCEPTIONS** are:

* Men always want sex
* A woman could not force sex on a man
* Men who have been assaulted by another man must be gay
* Sexual orientation is determined by an assault experience
* Only a weak man can be raped

All of these statements and others like them are **FALSE**!