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SURVEYS COLLECTED

A 23-question community assessment survey was developed by Community Solutions to understand San Benito County residents' views on sexual assault, domestic violence and human trafficking.

The survey has four main components:
 (1) respondent demographics,
 (2) perceived prevalence of sexual violence (domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking),
 (3) attitudes towards reporting, and (4) the community's readiness to engage in prevention tactics.

To ensure we collected responses from a representative base in San Benito County it was important to offer the survey in both English and Spanish. The english survey was directly translated to Spanish with no modifications. The survey was available on Survey Monkey or by paper copy for individuals.

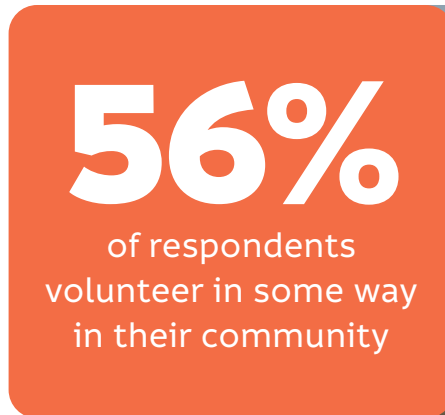
STRENGTHS OF THE COMMUNITY



Concerned Citizens

64%

of respondents felt it was important that all community members play a role in preventing sexual violence.



56%

of respondents
volunteer in some way
in their community

Small Town Feel

PREVALANCE OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE

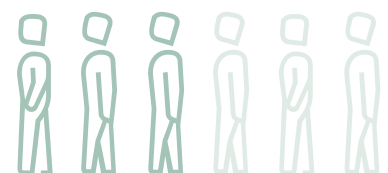


67%

of respondents stated they witnessed domestic violence

46%

of respondents know someone impacted by sexual assault



PERCEIVED BARRIERS TO REPORTING

70%

of survey respondents felt domestic violence and sexual assault victims don't report to law enforcement because they believe they will not be treated in the right way.

84%

of survey respondents felt domestic violence and sexual assault victims don't report because they are afraid of retaliation by the alleged perpetrator.

90%

of Spanish survey respondents felt domestic violence and sexual assault victims don't report because they are afraid no one will believe them.

96%

of Spanish-speaking survey respondents and

72%

of all respondents felt domestic violence victims don't report because they are fearful of their family and friends finding out

CULTURAL DIFFERENCES IN BELIEFS AND PERCEPTIONS

SPANISH SURVEY RESPONSES

5% believe victims **occasionally** lie about sexual assault to seek revenge against the perpetrator

11% believe victims **occasionally** lie about domestic violence to seek revenge against the perpetrator

0% believe victims **very frequently** lie about domestic violence to protect their reputations

0% believe victims **very frequently** lie about sexual assault to protect their reputations

ENGLISH SURVEY RESPONSES

20% believe victims **occasionally** lie about sexual assault to seek revenge against the perpetrator

25% believe victims **occasionally** lie about domestic violence to seek revenge against the perpetrator

20% believe victims **very frequently** lie about domestic violence to protect their reputations

17% believe victims **very frequently** lie about sexual assault to protect their reputations