



# Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women Washington (M.M.I.W.W.)



Nationally, there is a pandemic of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Men, Children, and Two-Spirits (there is NO official comprehensive data base);

- ❖ There are 573 Federally Recognized Tribes in the United States. There are 29 Federally recognized tribes in Washington State. 78% live off Reservation.
- ❖ Homicide is the third leading cause of death for Native American Women 10 to 24 years old.
- ❖ Native Americans ages 20–24, 25–34, and 35–44 are three of the five groups most likely to be killed by police. Native Americans are 3.1 times more likely than white Americans to be killed by police.
- ❖ Native American Women are in prisons at 6 times the rate of white women. The number of Native Americans confined in jail is 4X's the national average. Native Americans are confined to federal prisons at 38% above the national average.
- ❖ Native American Youth make up 1% of the United States population, yet Native American youth make up 70% of youth committed to the Federal Bureau Prisons.
- ❖ Violence on Native American Reservations are 10X's the National average!
- ❖ 4 in 5 Native American Women have experienced Domestic Violence. 90% of Native American Women have experienced physical violence by an intimate partner who is Non-Native.
- ❖ 1 in 2 Native American Women have been stalked in their lifetime. 89% Native Women have been stalked by Non-Native perpetrators.

- ❖ 1 in 2 Native American Women have experienced Sexual Violence. 96% of Native American Women have experienced Sexual Violence at the hands of Non-Native. Between 2005-2009 67% U.S. Attorneys declined to prosecute perpetrators.
- ❖ Native American Women make up 40% of Sex Trafficked Victims.
- ❖ 2017 the National Crimes Information Center (NCIC) reported 322,865 Missing Women. 10,642 are Missing Native Americans. 8,177 are Missing Native American Children. 5,172 are Missing Native American Women and Girls. The Department of Justice only logged in 116 cases in their data base.
- ❖ Seattle, Washington has the highest opened cases in a City of Missing Native Women and/or Girls (UIHI-MMIWG report).
- ❖ Washington State has the 2nd most opened Missing Native American Women cases with NamUs.
- ❖ Washington State HB2951 was enacted July 7, 2018. The Bill directs the Washington State Patrol and the Governor's Office of Indian Affairs to study ways to increase state resources for reporting and identifying MMIWG.
- ❖ Washington State HB1713 creates two Tribal Liaison's to work with Washington State's 29 Tribes and Urban Indian Organizations. The Liaisons are directed to come up with Protocols when Police take Missing Persons reports.
- ❖ The Savanna's Act directs Police Officers and Detective throughout the United States to thoroughly investigate MMIP cases. The Savanna Act was reintroduced 2019. New stipulations will include wording from MMIWW's initiated bills HB2951 and HB1713.

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