

# 2022 Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month Activities

EVENT	INFORMATION
<p><b>Poetry Contest (Ujima): February 4-9</b></p> <p>Teens and youth (ages 13-24) can submit original poems or written pieces highlighting the hallmarks of healthy dating and realities of teen dating violence. Entries should be emailed to <a href="mailto:ujimainfo@ujimacommunity.org">ujimainfo@ujimacommunity.org</a>; students are not required to disclose personal information and may remain anonymous if preferred. First, second, and third-place winning entries will be posted on Ujima’s social media. Publish date February 18.</p>	<p><a href="mailto:ujimainfo@ujimacommunity.org">ujimainfo@ujimacommunity.org</a></p>
<p><b>Wear Orange Day: February 8</b></p> <p>Join individuals around the nation in wearing orange on Tuesday, February 8! Wear Orange Day aims to raise awareness of teen dating abuse and send the message that abuse will not be tolerated. Take a picture wearing orange and post on social media with the hashtags #TDVAM2022 #Orange4Love #HealthyRelationshipsAreLearned and tag @DVCCCT.</p>	<p>Various social media</p>
<p><b>Instagram Live Black Love Day Event (Ujima): 3:30 p.m. ET, February 11</b></p> <p>Ujima will feature Dr. Selena Rodgers, founding director, Master of Social Work, York College, CUNY (invited) on Instagram Live for a conversation about the importance of Black love.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.instagram.com/ujimacommunity">https://www.instagram.com/ujimacommunity</a></p>
<p><b>Rez Dating (National Indigenous Women’s Resource Center): 1:00 p.m. PT, February 16</b></p> <p>In recognition of Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month, the NIWRC invites guests to an interactive webinar to learn about what teen dating violence is, why it happens, and</p>	<p><a href="https://www.niwrc.org/tdvam-webinar-rez-dating">https://www.niwrc.org/tdvam-webinar-rez-dating</a></p>

where to go for help if you or a friend are experiencing it. Hopi activist Lexie James will share her lived experience and how she navigated her environment. Discussion will focus on the intersection of intergenerational trauma and the modern occurrence of dating and intimate partners violence in Indian Country. Exploring healthy relationships and boundaries from an indigenous perspective is also an important part of this presentation.

### **Coffee and Conversation (Ujima): 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ET, February 16**

Join Ujima's Teen and Youth Engagement (TYE) Advisory Board for a live discussion on Zoom about students' current perceptions on dating relationships and protective factors. Panelists will feature several student members of the TYE board.

<https://bit.ly/TDVAMWHATSTHETEA>

### **Talk about Gender Stereotypes (Love Is Respect): February 17**

Join Love Is Respect for an Instagram Live conversation on gender stereotypes.

<https://www.instagram.com/loveisrespectofficial>

### **Ujima Talks Mini Podcasts: February 21, 23, 25**

The Ujima Talks will feature speakers for mini podcasts that will discuss their work with teens and youth.

<https://ujimacommunity.org/podcast/>

### **OCSE Responsible Parenting Grantees Discussion - 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. ET, February 24**

Learning Community Call with the theme CDC Dating Matters.

<https://acf-hhs.gov.zoomgov.com/j/1615764911>

### **2022 Latin@ Youth Conference (Esperanza United): 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. ET, February 26**

Activities will focus on this year's theme, Find Your Poder (Power), Find Your Comunidad (Community).

<https://esperanzaunited.org/en/event/youth-conference/>

### **Don't Stop Talking (Love Is Respect): 3 p.m. CT, February 28**

Join Love Is Respect and Esperanza United's director of prevention, Ivette Izea Martinez, for an Instagram Live conversation.

<https://www.instagram.com/loveisrespectofficial>

**SAFE Alliance's Expect Respect Program - 12:00 p.m. ET, February 28**

Youth-led workshop aimed at adults who want to support the young people in their life and learn more about teen dating violence and how to prevent it.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87664006352#success>

**All Month****All Month****Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month Challenge (National Indigenous Women's Resource Center and Native Love)**

Starting February 1, teens and youth are encouraged to submit artwork themed around the question, "What are the qualities of a healthy relationship?" Participants can post artwork to social media and tag @NativeLoves or send email art files to [nativelove@niwrc.org](mailto:nativelove@niwrc.org) for a chance to win a prize pack. All entries must be received by February 28.

<https://www.niwrc.org/tdvam-challenge-22>

**Hope, Prevention and the Power of Young People Podcast**

On this podcast, PreventConnect talks with Arlene Vassell of the National Resource Center on Domestic Violence and Angela Lee of love is respect about the power of youth to prevent teen dating violence and the role of mainstream agencies and organizations to support youth, teens, and young adults.

<http://www.preventconnect.org/2021/01/hope-prevention-and-the-power-of-young-people-teen-dating-violence-awareness-month-2021/>

**NRC DV Radio Podcast: Joy, Pride & Passion of Youth Activism**

Young people have always been a crucial part of movement building and organizing. In this NRC DV Radio podcast production, host Lamar Greene explores the pride, passion, creativity, and joy of youth activism. Lamar speaks to Celeste Iroha, Kaloni James and Deborah Austin about how community care and action expands how we look at prevention, and how digital activism has challenged traditional social, economic, and political norms.

<https://www.niwrc.org/tdvam-challenge-22>

**Need help?** Discussing dating violence and abuse is never easy which is why [LovesRespect.org](https://www.lovelsrespect.org), the [National Domestic Violence Hotline](https://www.ndvh.org), and [StrongHearts Native Hotline](https://www.stronghearts.org) are available for anyone who needs support. Should you or someone you know need help talking about