



Ontario Native Women's Association

Missing and Murdered Women in Ontario - FACT SHEET

Our Missing and Murdered Aboriginal women are our mothers, sisters, daughters, aunts, nieces, cousins, partners and wives. As of March 31, 2010 it is reported that there are over 582 cases of Missing and Murdered Aboriginal women and girls across Canada, with the most targeted age range to be 19 – 30. Of the 582, 70 of those women are from Ontario alone, this makes up 12% of the cases recorded in the Native Women's Association of Canada's database.

Of the 70 cases in Ontario:

- 80% are murder (13% higher than the national average of 67%)
 - 14% are missing (6% lower than the national average of 20%)
 - 90% of the Missing and Murdered Aboriginal women were mothers
 - 64% of cases occurred in urban areas, (particularly Thunder Bay, Toronto, Ottawa-Gatineau), 23 % in rural settings, and 14% on reserve
 - 65% of these murders took place in a residential dwelling, either their own or someone else's
 - 16% of the murders took place in an open area
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- 33% of these murders involved either a current or ex-partner of the victim

Source: NWAC, 2010 http://www.nwac.ca/sites/default/files/imce/FACT%20SHEET_ON.pdf

It is said Aboriginal women are the most targeted because of their ancestry and the belief that they will not fight back. It is also believed that these women will not be missed due to poverty, homelessness, addictions, human trafficking and/or abuse issues. These are myths. They are members of our community, they are our mothers, sisters, daughters, aunts, nieces, cousins, partners and wives and they are missed and honoured everyday.

Financial Assistance for Families of Homicide Victims:

The Ministry of the Attorney General has funding available under the Financial Assistance for Families of Homicide Victims initiative. For more information, contact the Ontario Native Women's Association at 1-800-667-0816 or www.onwa-tbay.ca or to obtain an application visit http://www.attorneygeneral.jus.gov.on.ca/english/ovss/financial_assistance_for_families_of_homicide_victims/default.asp.



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Eva Masaykayash

Germaine Gagnon

Unknown Woman

Raquel Gagnon

Donna Kabatay

Doreen Hardy

Verna Patricia Sturgeon

Barbara Loon

Alinda Meeri Lahtenmak

Adrienne Brown

Charity Keesic

Donna Tebbenham

Lynn Childforever

Earlene Desmoulins

Evaline Cameron

Bernice Bottle

Sophie Wassaykeesic

Margaret Yvonne Guylee

Chloe Tait Matthews

Valerie Ann Paypompee

Ashley Smith

Mercedes Stevens

Jocelyn Gray

Mitzi Leroux MacDougall

Jordina Skunk

Virginia Donna Churchill

Jamie McGuire

Kathleen McGinnis

Mae Morton

Cecelia Parentu

Mariah Wesley

Sybil Dawn Stoney

Karla Desrosiers

Adele Matinat

Meloni Sutton

Lena Lawson

Liz Bonnie Sakakeesic

Glenda Wesley

Petrina Whitecrow

Bernadette Nadine Leclair

Ruby Ann Hardy
aka Galloway

Jackie Adams
aka Jackaline McCorriston

Jocelyn 'Chippy'
McDonald

Source: NWAC, <http://www.missingnativewomen.org/ontario.htm> and list compiled from Lynne Sharman

As this list is compiled from various sources, if you are aware of an individual that has been missed, please contact the Ontario Native Women's Association and we will ensure your loved one's name is added.