

**BESIDES THE POLICE, THERE
ARE A NUMBER OF PLACES YOU
CAN GO FOR HELP**



Madison Jewish Community Council
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PH: 278-1808 • FAX: 278-7814

OutReach
600 Williamson St., Suite P-1
Madison, WI 53703
PH: 255-8582 • FAX: 255-0018

Equal Opportunities Commission
210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., Rm. 523
Madison, WI 53703
PH: 266-4910

Centro Hispano
835 W. Badger Rd.
Madison, WI 53703
PH: 255-3018 • FAX: 255-2975

Urban League of Greater Madison
151 E. Gorham St.
Madison, WI 53703
PH: 251-8550 • FAX: 251-0944

Mental Health Center of Dane County
Consumer Alliance Office
625 W. Washington Ave.
Madison, WI 53703
PH: 280-2672 • FAX: 280-4753

United Refugee Services
312 N. Third St.
Madison, WI 53704
PH: 256-6400

KAJSIAB (Hmong Center)
3434 Memorial Dr.
Madison, WI 53704
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**SEEKING TOLERANCE &
JUSTICE OVER HATE
(STAJOH)**

...is an inter-agency coalition from
Madison and Dane County.

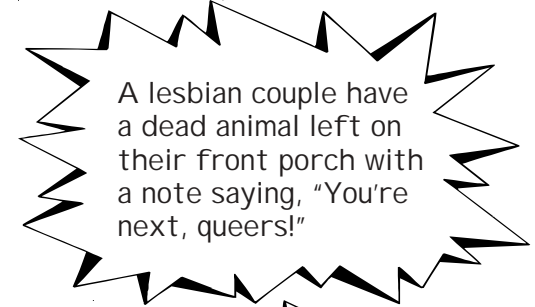
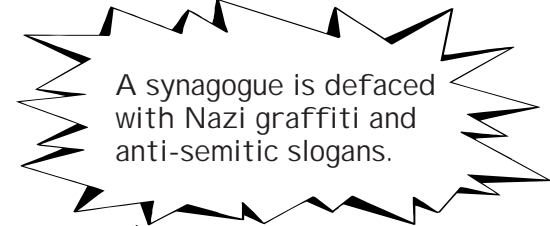
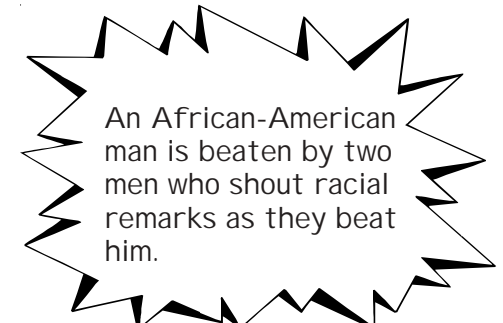
Our group is interested in meeting with
community groups to discuss your issues
and needs. We also have people available
to provide trainings to community groups
and/or attend any trainings your group
might provide.

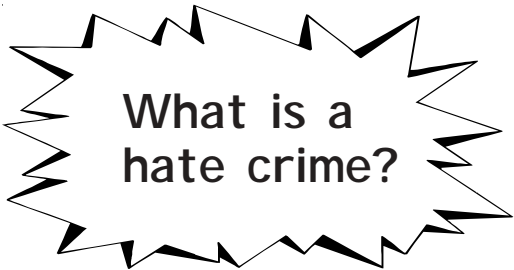
The group may be contacted through:

Equal Opportunities Commission
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Is this a Hate Crime...?

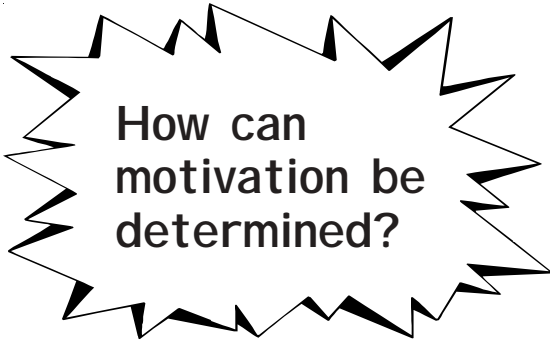




A hate crime is not itself a crime, but a penalty enhancer that increases the potential penalty of crimes. There must be a criminal act – battery, disorderly conduct, criminal damage to property or some other crime – before there is a hate crime. Hateful conduct alone is not a hate crime, unless the conduct itself is first criminal.

In Wisconsin, the hate crime penalty enhancer is added when the victim of the crime is selected in whole or part based on the victim’s race, religion, color, disability, sexual orientation, national origin or ancestry. The public policy that justifies increasing the penalty of crimes in these circumstances is the recognition that a hate crime harms not only the specific victim, but also the entire racial, religious or other protected group.

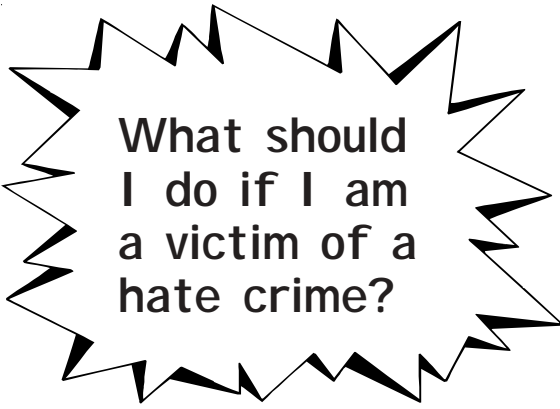
Because hate crimes have the potential of harming whole groups of people, the potential penalties are increased and they are viewed as serious offenses.



The facts of the crime must indicate that the perpetrator intentionally selected the victim in whole or in part because of his/her perception or belief that the victim belongs to one of the protected classes of race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, sexual orientation, or disability, whether or not the perception or belief was correct.

Motivation can be demonstrated by slurs or demeaning remarks made at the time of the crime. Other clues might be threatening messages by phone or mail, symbols or slogans left at the scene, or crimes committed on specific dates commemorating victim community historical events, religious holidays, or celebrations.

Homophobic, racist or other hate literature left on cars or doors should be reported. By itself, this material is not unlawful, and is protected by the First Amendment, but may be helpful to law enforcement intelligence gathering efforts.



FIRST, REPORT IT TO THE POLICE.
If you need immediate assistance, dial 9-1-1. For the City of Madison and Dane County, if it is not an emergency, call the police non-emergency number, **608-266-4275.**

- Exceptions are:
- Sun Prairie Police 608-837-7336
 - Monona Police 608-222-0463
 - Stoughton Police 608-873-3374
 - Fitchburg Police 608-270-4300
 - Middleton Police 608-827-1000
 - U.W. Police 608-262-2957

Make it clear to the officer who takes the report that you believe the crime was motivated by prejudice against you and give your reasons. Be sure to indicate your belief that this may be a hate crime.

After reporting the crime, ask for instruction on how to follow-up with your local law enforcement agency. In the City of Madison, call the Criminal Intelligence Section at 266-4901. Members of the Dane County District Attorney’s Office Crime Response Program, 608-284-6908, provide victim support as the case moves through the criminal justice system.