

### **Building Stronger Communities**

is a project based in Nottingham and Bassetlaw. We bring communities together to increase cohesion, encourage hate crime reporting and create safer spaces for everyone.

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### How to report a Hate Crime?

There are many ways to report hate crimes. You can choose the option that is best for you.

- Directly to the police: in case of emergency call 999, otherwise call 101
- Online with True Vision, which gives you the option to report it anonymously - www.report-it.org.uk
- Find your local **Third Party Reporting Centre** in your community and report it there. For more information go to www.communitiesinc.org.uk
- Call Crime Stoppers on 0800 555111
- Contact Nottinghamshire Victim Care (0800 304 7575) who can provide advocacy and casework support for victims of hate crime

Remember that you do not have to be a victim of hate crime to report it, witnesses can report it too.

There is no such thing as being a neutral observer - by doing nothing you only allow hate crimes to happen again.

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# A QUICK GUIDE TO REPORTING HATE CRIME



### WHAT IS A HATE CRIME?

A hate crime is any criminal offence or any other incident committed against a person because of their actual/perceived identity or personal characteristics such as race, sexual orientation, disability, gender identity or religion. Victims could also be targeted because of their age, appearance or nationality.

Hate crimes are motivated by hostility and prejudice. They can affect anyone and can have devastating consequences on individuals, families and entire communities if left unchallenged.

## **80%** OF HATE CRIME IS UNREPORTED!

**CRIME SURVEY** 

### WHAT DOES A HATE CRIME LOOK LIKE?

Hate crime manifests in many ways such as:

- Harassment
- Assault
- Criminal damage
- Theft or burglary
- Sexual assault or rape
- Misogyny
- Online abuse
- Threats of violence















### WHY REPORT HATE CRIME?

If you have been a victim or witness of hate crime, reporting it is important for a number of reasons:

- It can stop it from getting worse or happening again
- It gives a message that hate crime will not be tolerated
- It can stop it from happening to other people
- It helps service providers such as the Police put in place measures that may prevent hate crimes from happening in the future
- It allows victims to access the appropriate support to deal with the emotional impact of these crimes

MAKE REDUCING HATE CRIME YOUR PRIORITY. ACT NOW AND REPORT IT!