



STALKING AWARENESS MONTH

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The Stalking Resource Center, part of the National Center for Victims of Crime, defines stalking as "a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to feel fear."

Twanna Warner is a victim advocate with the Fayette County Women's Resource Center who encourages potential victims of stalking to speak out.

"When you start to feel uncomfortable or this person starts coming around more than you want them to, that's when you need to start asking questions or seeking help," says Warner.

Stalking behavior isn't limited to in-person interactions. Unwanted text messaging and social media cyberstalking enable stalkers to intimidate their victims wherever they choose. Speaking to your children about this behavior is important, because it happens among a variety of age groups.

"This is also trickling down to middle school and high schoolers. It's not just adults," says Warner.

If you have questions or need advice regarding stalking, contact the Women's Resource Center 24 hour hotline at 304-255-2559.