

EVENT TALKING POINTS

Thank you for hosting a booth for The Yunique Foundation. Please read through this sheet before you start and refer to it throughout the event as needed.

When hosting a booth, we ask that you distinguish yourself as a **volunteer** for The Yunique Foundation rather than as an employee.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

- Be sensitive to the people who visit your booth.
- Avoid using profanity and/or discussing graphic details about sex or sexual abuse.
- Don't make any changes or additions to The Yunique Foundation logo or graphics.

THE YOUNIQUE FOUNDATION MISSION STATEMENT

We inspire hope in women who were sexually abused as children or adolescents by providing healing services through **RETREATS, SURVIVOR COMMUNITIES,** and **ONLINE RESOURCES.**

We make it safe to openly discuss sexual abuse through community dialogue and social awareness.



QUICK FACTS ABOUT SEXUAL ABUSE

- **1 in 4 girls is sexually abused before they're 18 years old.**

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
<http://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/cestudy/about.html>

- **60% of survivors are perpetrator by a trusted friend.**

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, National Sex Offender Public Website
<https://www.nsopw.gov/en-US/Education/FactsStatistics?AspxAutoDetectCookieSupport=1#perpetrators>

- **30% of survivors are perpetrated by a family member.**

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, National Sex Offender Public Website
<https://www.nsopw.gov/en-US/Education/FactsStatistics?AspxAutoDetectCookieSupport=1#perpetrators>

- **31% of sexual assaults against teens occur within their own home.**

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, National Criminal Justice Reference Service Website
<http://www.ncjrs.gov/App/publications/abstract.aspx?ID=194972>

- **1 in 6 boys is sexually abused before they're 18 years old.**

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
<http://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/cestudy/about.html>

- **90% of survivors know their perpetrator.**

Source: U.S. Department of Justice, National Sex Offender Public Website
<https://www.nsopw.gov/en-US/Education/FactsStatistics?AspxAutoDetectCookieSupport=1#perpetrators>

- **30% of survivors will perpetrate.**

Source: Center for Sex Offender Management
<http://www.csom.org/pubs/mythsfacts.html>

- **Children with disabilities are three times more likely to be sexually abused.**

Source: Sullivan, P. M., & Knutson, J. F. (2000). Maltreatment and disabilities: A population-based epidemiological study. *Child abuse & neglect*, 24(10), 1257-1273.
<https://pdfs.semanticscholar.org/0e8d/21b6b0caf16ead7f72a52b374d7dc7125bf2.pdf>

- **Children who are sexually abused face the reality of suffering from depression, struggling in school, burying pain in substance abuse, engaging in unhealthy relationships, and contemplating suicide.**

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
<http://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/cestudy/about.html>



DETAILS ABOUT OUR HEALING SERVICES

RETREATS

Three weeks each month, TYF hosts female survivors of childhood sexual abuse at The Haven Retreat. From Monday to Thursday, these women gather to learn, reflect, and rejuvenate. To sign up, you can visit yuniquefoundation.org.

SURVIVOR COMMUNITIES

TYF has launched Finding Hope Support Groups to provide an opportunity for survivors to share their courage, hope, and experiences in a safe community. Meetings strengthen survivors as they practice TYF's 5 Strategies to Reclaim Hope. Survivors who want to start a group can email questions@findinghope.org

ONLINE RESOURCES

There are many valuable resources on the TYF website to help survivors and supporters alike. You can learn everything from grounding techniques to how best to help when someone discloses abuse. Also, follow all of TYF's social media platforms.

DETAILS ABOUT GETTING INVOLVED

If people are interested in getting involved, send them to yuniquefoundation.org/volunteer.

A CALL TO ACTION

Encourage people you talk with to visit our website and follow us on social media. You can also ask visitors to tell three friends about what they learn at your booth.

