**Shades of Oppression, Resistance, and Liberation**

**No More Stolen Relatives**

**Resources about understanding and responding to the reality of**

**Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, and Two Spirit People**

**Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Week of Action - August 26, 2021**

**VIDEOS**

[Running for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X8bFL7WC4iE) - Rosalie Fish, TEDxYouth@Seattle

[Native Hope: Women are Disappearing, Protect our Sisters](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dFI8LnadHFY)

[Speak-In: Turning from Anti-Indigenous Practice and Theology in the Church](https://vimeo.com/459175057) - featuring members of Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Native American committees: Fern Cloud (Sisseton-Wahpeton Dakota Tribe), Stated Clerk of the Dakota Presbytery; June Lorenzo, J.D., Ph.D. (Laguna Pueblo/Diné); the Rev. Holly Haile Thompson (Shinnecock), the first Native American woman to become a minister of Word and Sacrament in the PC(USA); and Anthony Trujillo (Ohkay Owingeh Pueblo), M.Div., Ph.D. candidate in American studies at Harvard University

[2021 MMIW National Briefing – Addressing the National Crisis of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women: Advocacy in Action](https://www.niwrc.org/resources/webinars/2021-mmiw-national-briefing-addressing-national-crisis-missing-and-murdered) – National Indigenous Women’s Resource Center

[Using International Law to Respond to the MMIW Crisis](https://www.niwrc.org/resources/webinars/using-international-law-respond-mmiw-crisis) – National Indigenous Women’s Resource Center

[Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls National Day of Action: Uplifting the Voices of MMIW](https://www.niwrc.org/resources/webinars/missing-and-murdered-indigenous-women-and-girls-national-day-action-uplifting) – National Indigenous Women’s Resource Center

[Unmasking the Hidden Crisis of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women: Exploring Solutions to End the Cycle of Violence](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GwIqmsCq-fU) – Hearing of the House of Representatives Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States - March 14, 2019

# [Bring them home: Grassroots groups seek closure for families of missing indigenous people](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uuo-IyuhAVo) **–** King 5 News, Seattle, Washington

[The Search: Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mdPv0NDfMbA) - Fault Lines

[Why Are Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women Cases Being Ignored?](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hOXyGJuRMmo) - Between The Lines

[Women Leading in the Church](https://www.facebook.com/PresbyterianMinistryUN/videos/436515927421730) – organized by the Presbyterian Ministry at the United Nations and Presbyterian Women, this parallel event at the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women (2021) features women leaders in conversation about the progress and challenges they face as leaders and women of color in the church and in society. Elona Street-Stewart, co-moderator of the 224th General Assembly (2020) speaks about MMIWG2S.

# [A call to denounce gender violence in indigenous communities in Mexico](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ueUxifFV8M) - United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues 2021

# [United Nations videos on Indigenous Women](https://www.un.org/development/desa/indigenouspeoples/mandated-areas1/indigenous-women/videos-on-indigenous-women.html)

**ARTICLES**

[Advocacy committees call for recognition of missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls day](https://www.presbyterianmission.org/story/advocacy-committees-call-for-recognition-of-missing-and-murdered-indigenous-women-and-girls-day/) – Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

[Missing and Murdered Indigenous Peoples: *Using an All-of-Government Approach to Address this Crisis*](https://www.doi.gov/priorities/missing-and-murdered-indigenous-peoples) – U.S. Department of Interior, Secretary Deb Haaland

[Secretary Haaland Creates New Missing & Murdered Unit to Pursue Justice for Missing or Murdered American Indians and Alaska Natives](https://www.doi.gov/news/secretary-haaland-creates-new-missing-murdered-unit-pursue-justice-missing-or-murdered-american)

[President’s statement from May 2021 proclaiming National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Native Women and Girls](https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/presidential-actions/2021/05/04/a-proclamation-on-missing-and-murdered-indigenous-persons-awareness-day-2021/) – The White House

[Two-Spirit](https://www.ihs.gov/lgbt/health/twospirit/) – Indian Health Service

[Recognize Indigenous Peoples’ Representative Institutions as ‘Serious Partners They Are’, Chair Stresses, as Permanent Forum Begins Session](https://www.un.org/press/en/2021/hr5458.doc.htm) – United Nations

**ORGANIZATIONS**

[Coalition to Stop Violence against Native Women](https://www.csvanw.org/mmiw)

[Indian Law Resources Center – Safe Women, Strong Nations](https://indianlaw.org/safewomen)

[National Indigenous Women’s Resource Center](https://www.niwrc.org/)

[National Congress of Native Americans](https://www.ncai.org/policy-issues/tribal-governance/public-safety-and-justice/violence-against-women)

[Alaska Native Women’s Resource Center](https://www.aknwrc.org/)

[Rising Hearts](https://www.risinghearts.org/mmir)

[United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues](https://www.un.org/development/desa/indigenouspeoples/unpfii-sessions-2.html)

**ADVOCATE AND ACT**

Tell your Senators to support the [Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization Act](https://www.votervoice.net/PCUSA/Campaigns/85761/Respond) – Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Office of Public Witness.

In 2020, Congress passed [Savanna’s Act](https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/227) requiring the federal government to account for the numbers of missing and murdered Native Americans and the [Not Invisible Act](https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/982) establishing an advisory commission of survivors and family members to address the reality of missing and murdered Native Americans.

Use [*MMIWG: We Demand More*](https://www.uihi.org/resources/mmiwg-we-demand-more-partner-toolkit/) to call government agencies to do better for missing and murdered indigenous women and girls – Urban Indian Health Institute.

Plan to observe Native American Day on September 22, 2021, or on a Sunday near this date.

Watch for ways to take actions during the National Week of Action for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls in the days around May 5, 2022.

**MATERIAL TO DOWNLOAD**

[“They Failed to Protect Me:” Enhancing Response to and Surveillance of Domestic & Intimate Partner Violence and Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, and Two Spirit People of California During the COVID-19 Pandemic](https://2a840442-f49a-45b0-b1a1-7531a7cd3d30.filesusr.com/ugd/6b33f7_bc2e17b8500049a6bc64d055272d0649.pdf) by the Sovereign Bodies Institute in partnership with the California Tribal Epidemiology Center (CTEC), housed in the California Rural Indian Health Board, Inc.

[Minnesota Governor’s Task Force on MMIW 2020 Report to Minnesota Legislature](https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/ojp/Documents/missing-murdered-indigenous-women-task-force-report.pdf)

[Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women & Girls: A snapshot of data from 71 urban cities in the United States](https://www.uihi.org/resources/missing-and-murdered-indigenous-women-girls/) – Urban Indian Health Institute

[United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples](https://www.un.org/development/desa/indigenouspeoples/declaration-on-the-rights-of-indigenous-peoples.html)

[MMIW Toolkit for Understanding and Responding to Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women for Families and Communities](https://www.niwrc.org/resources/toolkit/mmiw-toolkit-families-and-communities) – National Indian Women’s Resource Center

[How Jurisdiction Works](https://www.niwrc.org/sites/default/files/images/resource/mmiw_toolkit_poster_updated.pdf) – National Indian Women’s Resource Center

[2018 report on the Violence against Women Act](https://www.vawamei.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/rtc_entire_final_oct2019.pdf)

[Walking Together on the Path of Change](https://www.un.org/development/desa/indigenouspeoples/mandated-areas1/indigenous-women/indigenous-women-and-the-commission-on-the-status-of-women.html) – side event at 65th session of the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women (2021)

[Zuya Winyan Wicayhounihan: A study on missing & murdered Indigenous women and girls in states impacted by the Keystone XL pipeline](https://2a840442-f49a-45b0-b1a1-7531a7cd3d30.filesusr.com/ugd/6b33f7_27835308ecc84e5aae8ffbdb7f20403c.pdf) - a collaboration between Brave Heart Society and Sovereign Bodies Institute

**PC(USA) PROGRAM AND POLICY**

[Native American Intercultural Congregational Support](https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/racial-equity-womens-intercultural-ministries/native-american-intercultural-congregational-support/)

[A Resolution on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, and Two Spirit People (MMIWG2S)](https://www.pc-biz.org/#/search/3000601) - coming to the 225th General Assembly (2022) from the Racial Equity Advocacy Committee and the Advocacy Committee for Women’s Concerns

[Native American Coordinating Council Report](https://www.pc-biz.org/#/search/3000566) – 224th General Assembly (2020)

[Doctrine of Discovery A Review of Its Origins and Implications for Congregations in the PC(USA) and Support for Native American Sovereignty](https://www.presbyterianmission.org/wp-content/uploads/Doctrine-of-Discovery-Report-to-the-223rd-GA-2018-FINALIZED-COPY_As-Approved.pdf) – 223rd General Assembly (2018)

[Extended Response to the Doctrine of Discovery](https://www.pc-biz.org/#/search/3000383) – 223rd General Assembly (2018)

[On Offering an Apology to Native Americans, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians](https://www.pc-biz.org/#/search/6350) – 222nd General Assembly (2016)

[Turn Mourning into Dancing! A Policy Statement on Healing Domestic Violence](https://www.pcusa.org/site_media/media/uploads/_resolutions/turn-mourning-into-dancing.pdf) – 213th General Assembly (2001)