

**DOORWAYS TO
CHANGE:
LA CULTURA CURA**

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WHAT HAVE WE TRIED WITH MEN WHO BATTER?

THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM:

- ◆ PROTECTIVE/RESTRAINING ORDERS
- ◆ ARREST, INCARCERATION
- ◆ BATTERER INTERVENTION PROGRAMS WHILE ON PROBATION (DIDACTIC)
- ◆ CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES: REMOVAL OF MAN OR CHILDREN

MINDSET?

- ◆ ANGER, DESIRE TO RETALIATE;
- ◆ READY TO BLAME HER FOR EVERYTHING
- ◆ WILL USE CULTURE OR HER BEHAVIOR AS AN EXCUSE
- ◆ SOME REGRETS & GUILT (*NOT ALL MEN FEEL REGRETS—MANY DO*)
- ◆ FEARFUL ABOUT COURT INVOLVEMENT & CPS--AFRAID OF CAUSING REMOVAL OF CHILDREN OR DEPORTATION (IMMIGRANTS)

MINDSET...

- ◆ THEY EXPECT TO BE VIEWED AS MONSTERS, CRAZY, CRIMINALS OR SICK PERSON, "JERK": THAT'S VIEW IN MOST COMMUNITIES
- ◆ VERY DEFENSIVE ABOUT ANYBODY TALKING TO THEM: "IT'S MY BUSINESS"
- ◆ EASILY ESCALATED THROUGH DIRECT CONFRONTATION: FAMILY PAYS

RESULT OF MINDSET

DEFENSIVE ← → AGGRESSIVE
POSTURE

VARIED, CONTRADICTIONARY REACTIONS

- ✓ DEFENSIVE & CHALLENGING
- ✓ OPPOSITIONAL & INTIMIDATING
- ✓ SUPERFICIAL COMPLIANCE, MAYBE CHARMING WHEN INTIMIDATED (AGREE TO THINGS THEY DON'T UNDERSTAND),
- ✓ LOOKING FOR LOOPHOLES

MULTI-LEVEL RESPONSE

EXTERNAL MOTIVATORS: CONSEQUENCES

- ESSENTIAL FOR VERY DANGEROUS & RESISTANT
- CRUCIAL FOR OTHERS
- ARREST, JAIL, PROBATION CONDITIONS, MONITORING

INTERNAL MOTIVATORS

- RESPECT
- EDUCATION → IMPACTS
- POSITIVE VISIONS → CULT, FATHERHOOD
- SKILL (MAINTAINER)
- INCREASE STAKE IN CONFORMITY

DOORWAYS TO CHANGE

- HOW CAN WE ENTER THIS WORLD WITHOUT ANTAGONIZING THE MEN? (INCREASING RISK OR CAUSING RETALIATION AGAINST HER)
- HOW CAN WE REACH THEM AND INSPIRE THEM?
- WHAT AVENUES CAN WE PURSUE?

THE HOW

**SAFETY: YOURS, PARTNERS' &
CHILDREN'S**

RESPECT

**SHOW INTEREST: LISTENING
WITHOUT AGREEMENT**

**AVOID DEBATE—NO
DOMINANCE STRUGGLE**

**DON'T LABEL THE PERSON,
*FOCUS ON THE BEHAVIOR***

FIRST AVENUE: USING CULTURE

IT IS EASIER TO CHANGE IF YOU HELP SOMEONE TO MOVE TOWARD SOMETHING THEY KNOW AND LOVE

FIRST AVENUE: USING CULTURE

UNDERSTAND BOTH: CULTURAL VALUES AND MODELS THAT ENABLE OR MODEL OPPRESSIVE RELATIONSHIPS

AND POSITIVE CULTURAL VALUES AND MODELS THAT SUPPORT FUNCTIONAL AND RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS

USE POSITIVE CULTURAL VALUES TO INSPIRE CHANGE

FIRST AVENUE: USING CULTURE

UNDERSTAND ASPECTS OF MANHOOD & MASCULINITY THAT ARE POSITIVE,

USE THEM TO PROMOTE CHANGE.

MAKE STATEMENTS THAT EVOKE THEM

USE FATHERHOOD AS A CORE VALUE

→ MOST MEN HAVE POSITIVE IDEALS OF FATHERHOOD

LATINOS: CULTURALLY BASED CHANGE

FUNDAMENTAL VALUES

- ✓ RESPETO
- ✓ MACHISMO: CONTRADICTORY IDEALS
- ✓ ORGULLO -- PRIDE
- ✓ COMPADRAZGO
- ✓ DAR BUEN EJEMPLO - GOOD EXAMPLE

RESPECTO: 2 POLES

MAN DESERVES
RESPECT *BECAUSE*
HE IS THE MAN

RESPECT BASED ON
AUTHORITY AND
HIERARCHY

DOES NOT HAVE TO
BE EARNED

RESPECT EQUALS
DEFERENCE

MAN MUST EARN
RESPECT: FULFILL
OBLIGATIONS

BE A GOOD
PROVIDER, MEET
OBLIGATIONS,
GIVE GOOD
EXAMPLE, RESPECT
OTHERS

HAY QUE DARLE
SU LUGAR A LA
MUJER 'HAVE TO
RESPECT HER'

MACHISMO

THE MAN AS
"BOSS",
PROVIDER,
SEXUAL
ADVENTURER.
ORDERS WIFE.
JEALOUS.
MAINTAINS
SEPARATE SPHERE
WITH PEERS.

THE MAN WHO
MEETS
OBLIGATIONS,
"RECOGIDO"
"CASERO."
TREATS WIFE MORE
AS PARTNER.
EARNS RESPECT
W/EXTENDED
FAMILY.

ORGULLO—PRIDE

- ▼ SENSE OF SELF-ESTEEM IN PUBLIC LIFE: VERY CENTRAL
- ▼ VERY HARD TO ADMIT FAULT FOR MEN: LOSS OF FACE
- ▼ CAN BE TIED TO MACHISMO OR TO THE CAPABLE MAN, (EL HOMBRE CAPAZ, EL HOMBRE EJEMPLAR, EL BUEN HOMBRE, EL HOMBRE RESPONSABLE ETC.)

COMPADRAZGO

SPECIAL, INTIMATE,
RELATIONSHIP WITH SAME SEX
PEER OR ELDER

SHARE SELF, RECEIVE ADVICE

ACTS AS PROTECTIVE FACTOR—

DE-ESCALATION & PROVIDER OF
CONTACTS AND RESOURCES

SAMPLE STATEMENTS

SI LE PEGAS, DAÑAS A LA FAMILIA
ENTERA

*IF YOU HIT HER, YOU HURT YOUR
WHOLE FAMILY*

PARA GANARSE EL RESPETO, HAY
QUE SABER RESPETAR. ESTA EN
TUS MANOS. *TO WIN RESPECT,
YOU MUST PROVIDE RESPECT. IT'S
IN YOUR HANDS.*

SAMPLE STATEMENTS

EL HOMBRE SE DA A CONOCER A TRAVÉS DE SU BUENA CONDUCTA Y DE SUS ACCIONES. *A MAN BECOMES KNOWN THROUGH HIS GOOD BEHAVIOR AND THROUGH HIS DEEDS.*

EL HOMBRE SE GANA EL RESPETO Y LA CONFIANZA DE SU PAREJA Y DE SUS HIJOS. *A TRUE MAN WINS THE RESPECT OF HIS PARTNER AND HIS CHILDREN.*

SAMPLE STATEMENTS

EL HOMBRE DE VERDAD RESUELVE PROBLEMAS, NO LOS CREA... *THE TRUE MAN SOLVES PROBLEMS, HE DOESN'T MAKE PROBLEMS.*

EL HOMBRE DE VERDAD APRENDE A COOPERAR EN VEZ DE DOMINAR... *THE TRUE MAN LEARNS TO COOPERATE/COLLABORATE, NOT TO DOMINATE.*

SECOND AVENUE: USING FATHERHOOD

FATHERHOOD IS A POWERFUL IDEAL FOR MANY MEN. THEY WANT TO BE REMEMBERED IN A GOOD WAY; THEY WANT TO DO SOMETHING GOOD, EVEN IF THEY DON'T KNOW HOW.

DOORWAYS:

TALK ABOUT EFFECTS OF VIOLENCE AGAINST PARTNER ON CHILDREN

TALK ABOUT EFFECTS OF VIOLENCE ON FAMILY

EDUCATION ABOUT IMPACT OF VIOLENCE

USING FATHERHOOD

TALK ABOUT EFFECTS ON CHILDREN:

AUNQUE NO SEAS EL PADRE, ESTA EN TUS MANOS DAR EL BUEN EJEMPLO.

IT'S UP TO YOU TO GIVE A GOOD EXAMPLE EVEN IF YOU ARE NOT THE FATHER

EL PADRE ILUMINA EL CAMINO PARA LOS HIJOS. LO QUE TU HACES CUENTA MUCHO. THE FATHER LIGHTS THE WAY FOR THE CHILDREN. WHAT YOU DO COUNTS A LOT.

EL DOLOR DURA EN EL CORAZON. PAIN STAYS IN THE HEART

FATHERHOOD

DAR BUEN EJEMPLO:

TU CONDUCTA ES UN EJEMPLO EN TODO LO QUE HACES. NO SON LAS PALABRAS SINO LAS ACCIONES LAS QUE CUENTAN. YOU ARE AN EXAMPLE FOR THEM IN ALL THAT YOU DO. WHAT YOU DO IS WHAT REALLY MATTERS.

CUANDO LE PEGAS A ELLA ES COMO SI LES PEGARAS A LOS NIÑOS
"WHEN YOU HURT YOUR PARTNER, YOU HURT YOUR CHILDREN"

FATHERHOOD

DAR BUEN EJEMPLO:

SE QUE QUIERES SER BUEN PADRE. I KNOW YOU WANT TO BE A GOOD FATHER.

AUNQUE NO LO CREAS, TUS HIJOS LLEVARAN RECUERDOS DE TU CONDUCTA PARA SIEMPRE. EVEN IF YOU DO NOT BELIEVE IT, YOUR CHILDREN WILL CARRY WHAT YOU DO FOREVER.

FATHERHOOD

TALK ABOUT THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN RESPECT AND FEAR.

IF YOU BASE YOUR DISCIPLINE ON FEAR, YOU WILL TEACH THEM TO FEAR YOU AND RESENT YOU. IF YOU BASE YOUR DISCIPLINE ON BEING CLEAR ABOUT LIMITS, REASONING WITH KIDS, CONSISTENCY AND FIRMNESS, YOU TEACH THEM FAIRNESS AND GIVE A GOOD EXAMPLE.

FATHERHOOD

EL HOMBRE SE DA A RESPETAR CON BUEN EJEMPLO, CON PACIENCIA, CON CLARIDAD Y CON AMOR. EL HOMBRE PACIENTE SABE RAZONAR CON LOS HIJOS. TAMBIEN ES RAZONABLE EN LO QUE LE EXIGE A SUS HIJOS.

A MAN EARNS RESPECT WITH GOOD EXAMPLE, WITH PATIENCE AND THROUGH CLARITY AND LOVE. THE PATIENT MAN KNOWS HOW TO REASON WITH HIS CHILDREN. HE IS ALSO REASONABLE IN WHAT HE EXPECTS THEM TO DO.

FATHERHOOD

SI NO RESPETAS A TU PAREJA, DAÑAS A
TODA LA FAMILIA. IF YOU DO NOT
SHOW RESPECT FOR THEIR MOTHER,
YOU HURT THEM AND WEAKEN YOUR
FAMILY. TALK ABOUT HOW TO SHOW
RESPECT EVEN WHEN YOU DISAGREE

SI LE FALTAS EL RESPETO Y DESTRUYES
SU CAPACIDAD DE MANTENER
DISCIPLINA CON LOS NIÑOS, TAMBIÉN
DESTRUYES LA CAPACIDAD DE RESPETAR
EN LOS NIÑOS. IF YOU DISRESPECT HER
AND UNDERMINE HER DISCIPLINE, YOU
DESTROY THE KIDS' CAPACITY TO
RESPECT ADULTS

LATINOS

- ◆ LEVELS OF DV → NOT DIFFERENT FROM MAINSTREAM
- ◆ FAMILIES
 - GET MARRIED YOUNGER
 - MORE CHILDREN
- ◆ WORK ORIENTATION & EMPLOYMENT
- ◆ SUBSTANCE ABUSE: EPISODIC, BINGE ON WEEKENDS → DRIVE UNDER INFLUENCE, ACCIDENTS

LATINOS

- ◆ **SUBSTANCE ABUSE: EPISODIC, BINGE ON WEEKENDS → DRIVE UNDER INFLUENCE, ACCIDENTS**
- ◆ **1ST GENERATION VS. 2ND GENERATION**
- ◆ **IMMIGRATION: A 2-WAY STREET & VULNERABILITY**
- ◆ **OPPRESSION, RACISM, TRAUMA, EXPOSURE TO VIOLENCE, POVERTY, UNDEREMPLOYMENT, LOW ED LEVELS.**

LA CULTURA CURA

THE BAD RAP: MAINSTREAM AMERICAN
BATTERERS ARE DEVIANTS, BUT
"THEIRS" ARE IN THEIR CULTURAL
MAINSTREAM

ALL CULTURES HAVE ELEMENTS THAT
OPEN THE DOOR TO OPPRESSIVE MALE
RELATIONSHIPS WITH WOMEN & ALL
CULTURES HAVE ELEMENTS THAT ARE
PROTECTIVE & MODEL RESPECTFUL,
NON-COERCIVE RELATIONSHIPS

RESOURCES

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www.endabuse.org

www.cangleska.org