



## Ending Violence Statements

- One of the most important things I can teach my son is not to solve problems by using violence. I am his role model.
- Domestic violence is the fastest growing form of workplace violence. It affects victims and their co-workers. I won't look the other way!
- Young men look up to the adults in their lives. We need to let them know that violence against women is wrong.
- The UN describes Family Violence as a pandemic. An outbreak of SARS would get immediate attention. We all need to pay attention and take action!
- All of us need to speak out. Most men don't condone violence – and we need to say it.
- Violence against women hurts everyone, including kids. They don't forget what they see or hear. You can change the way they remember you.
- Imagine how your words affect the young men in your life: your son, your nephew, your team. What will they learn from you about how to treat women?
- What does it mean to be a man? Power, strength, toughness? What about kindness, compassion, and treating women with respect?
- We must teach our sons early what it means to be a man – that violence never equals strength.
- Children deserve to feel safe in their own homes. A child who watches his mother being abused will never feel safe.
- If you are an abuser – you can get help.
- If there is one thing you can do to teach a young man it is by being there. Spend time with him. Let him learn by watching you. He will be watching how you treat his mother. What are you teaching him?
- Boys need to learn to handle anger in ways other than using violence. We need to tell them to walk it out, talk it out, work it out!
- Violence against women is wrong, and it's up to men to stop it. We must listen to women who have suffered and are suffering at the hands of other men.
- Domestic abuse, sexual assault and rape are all crimes.