

FAITHFUL ALLIES

WORKING WITH CHRISTIAN LEADERS

BE PATIENT



REMEMBER that faith leaders often hold different values and meet them where **THEY** are.

DO NOT FORCE your beliefs on them. They are **NOT** ready **YET!**

Also, building trust **TAKES TIME**. You have to be familiar to them, maybe attending events just to make connection.

BE CREATIVE

They have to understand why learning about DV is important to them and their work.



Maybe start with "Healthy Family" rather than "Violence" and share resources that can benefit them.

Start **SMALL** and develop faith leaders' understanding of DV

Identify and work with allies, who express interest/understanding of DV.

BE READY TO BE CHALLENGED



It can be challenging to work with a group that might not agree with you.

REMEMBER that this is the process and **MEET** them where they are.

DO NOT CHALLENGE THEM JUST YET

REMEMBER THAT WE ARE ULTIMATELY ALL TRYING TO CREATE HEALTHIER RELATIONSHIP



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