

The Think Before You Hate Program





What is the Think Before You Hate Program?

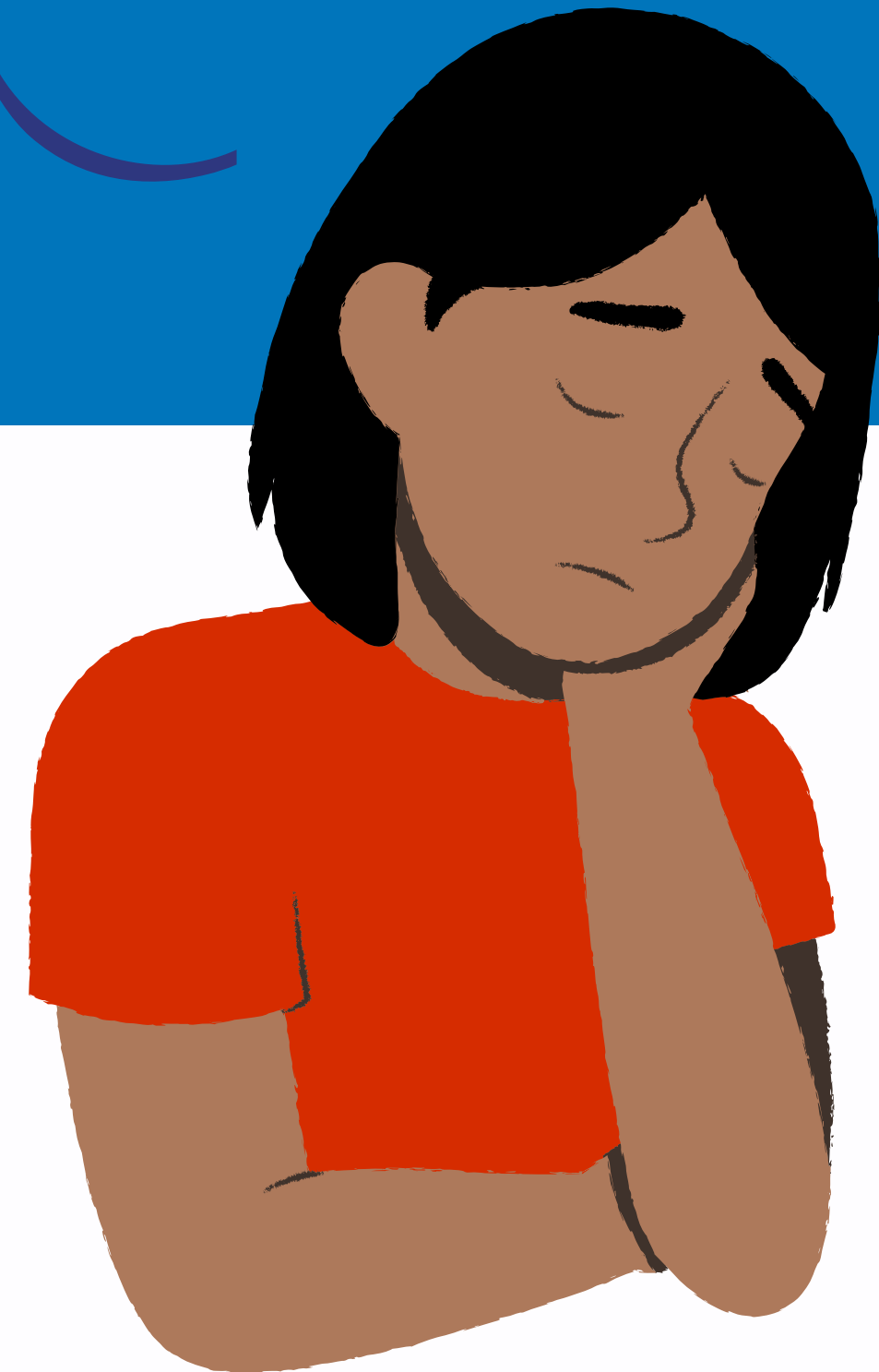
The Think Before You Hate Program is an **additional way to report hate crimes** that is focused on...

- Educating the public on hate incidents and hate crimes
- Developing more accessible spaces for the public to report a hate crime by partnering with local community based organizations
- Improving community relations with law enforcement
- **This is NOT meant to replace 911. Always dial 911 in an emergency**

What is the definition of a hate crime?



A criminal act motivated by bias against someone's race, color, gender identity, age, religion, disability, national origin, ancestry, or sexual orientation.



How will this program help me if I am a victim of a hate crime?

There are eight different community based organizations throughout Chicago that are partnering with the Chicago Commission on Human Relations (CCHR) in this program.

If you feel that you have been a victim of a hate crime, you may visit any one of our partner locations to report the incident. Our partner programs will have staff ready to support you.





The Program in Practice



If I am a victim of a hate crime, what can I do?

01

Dial 911 or visit one of the participating community partners to help with reporting the incident. Our community partners provide a safe space, cultural, and language assistance.





What happens next?



02

Once you visit one of our participating partners, there will be staff on-site to call the CPD.

03

A police officer will show up to the location to write a report for the incident.





Lastly...



Once the incident is reported, you will be connected to any necessary resources.



Participating Partners





Why do we need the Think Before You Hate program?



We would like to provide a safe space for victims of hate crimes to report their incidents to law enforcement.


These participating partners will provide culturally competent and trauma-informed staff to help victims report crimes.

This program is designed to allow members of marginalized communities who are vulnerable to hate crimes to become empowered.



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