



## OFFICE OF THE ILLINOIS ATTORNEY GENERAL

# HELP HATE TOGETHER

### ***A hate crime is***

an offense where a person or a group of people are targeted because of their identity...actual or perceived. A hate incident is conduct by an individual or group that, while motivated by hate or bias, does not rise to the level of a criminal offense.

### ***Illinois hate crimes laws***

protect people who are targeted based on race, color, creed, religion, ancestry, gender, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability, citizenship, immigration status, or national origin of another individual or group of individuals.

## ***There are many ways we can call out hate...***

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### **911 or Local Police**

Call **9-1-1** immediately if you fear for your safety or the safety of others. File a police report with local law enforcement, citing a hate crime or hate incident.

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### **Illinois Attorney General**

Contact the Illinois Attorney General to learn more about hate crimes law and civil actions. File a Hate Crime Report online at **[www.IllinoisAttorneyGeneral.gov](http://www.IllinoisAttorneyGeneral.gov)**. Reach out to the Civil Rights Hotline at **877-581-3692** or by email at **[civilrights@ilag.gov](mailto:civilrights@ilag.gov)**.

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### **Illinois Help Stop Hate**

Contact the Illinois Commission on Discrimination and Hate Crimes at **877-458-HATE (4283)** for support and information on resources available in Illinois.

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For additional information and to access downloadable resources, scan the QR Code provided or visit the **Attorney General's website** at **[www.IllinoisAttorneyGeneral.gov/Rights-of-The-People/Civil-Rights](http://www.IllinoisAttorneyGeneral.gov/Rights-of-The-People/Civil-Rights)**. Individuals with hearing or speech disabilities can reach us by using the 7-1-1 relay service.