**Activity Coversheet: AYA Dating Violence Activity packet**

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| **Activity Name:** | Scenario 1 |
| **Possible Uses:** | To aide in understanding Adolescent/Young Adult (AYA) dating violence relationships |
| **Target Audience/s:** | Law Enforcement |

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| **Time:** | 5-10min |
| **Objectives:** | Upon completion of this activity, participants will be able to:   * Identify an AYA relationship * Identify what steps to take after identifying relationships * Prevalence of AYA Dating Violence |
| **Key Terms &**  **Concepts:** | Prevalence of AYA Dating Violence-LGBTQIA+ |
| **Equipment or**  **Materials Needed:** | Handout/Docs: Scenario 1 |
| **Preparation:** | **No preparation necessary** |
| **Facilitation Instructions:** | 1. Read scenario 1 with your training group. Ask the follow up questions to walk through the scenario.   **Scenario 1:**  It is 1:30 Saturday morning. You get a call over the radio that there is a house party nearby that’s gotten out of hand. You respond to the home. When you arrive, you notice two young ladies in the side yard, and they are screaming at each other. You hear one of them yelling “I’m the reason you’re even here, you owe this life to me.” As you move closer, the girl who was screaming grabs the other by the hair and starts dragging her toward the backyard. When you approach the two young ladies, you announce yourself and ask them to stop what they’re doing and face you.    **Debrief Questions:**   1. Do you believe this to be a dating violence situation? Why/why not?   At first look it may appear to be a simple argument between friends. You may not even consider a AYA situation because they're both females, however, what we know about the LGBTQIA+ community is that they experience domestic violence at a higher rate than heterosexual relationships do.  When you hear one of them say that they "owe this life to them" that may be the first indicator of a AYA situation.   1. What questions can you ask these young women to help assess whether this is domestic violence?   Some examples of questions you can ask to discern whether this is teen dating violence or not may include:  What is your relationship to each other?  Is this the first dispute you two have had?  What lead to this dispute?   1. What are your next steps?   After following protocol (whether that be to arrest or write a ticket, etc.) provide the victim with information about your local DV shelter/counseling program. |
| **Note:** | To encourage engagement, you may consider asking for a participant to read the scenario aloud or have participants work together in a group to discuss the scenarios. |

**Instruction:** Attach handouts and other docs associated with this activity on following pages.