2020 #MMIWGActionNow Twitter Chat
Tuesday, May 5th, 2020 | 1-2 p.m. CT

Twitter Chat Flow and Questions (Central Time):

Post 1 – by @niwrc | 1:00 p.m.
Welcome to the #MMIWGActionNow Twitter Chat! Please follow the hashtag and speak your truth. @niwrc will tweet using Q1, Q2, etc. Please respond with your answer to the question using A1, A2, etc.

Post 2 - by @niwrc | 1:02 p.m.
First, we would like to take a moment to acknowledge the ancestral homelands where our NIWRC main office (Northern Cheyenne) is located. To those joining today, TY for speaking out in support of our missing and murdered Native sisters. #MMIWGActionNow

Q1 1:03 PM – Q1 asked by @niwrc

@niwrc will post

Q1: Roll call! Please introduce yourself and where you are tweeting from. If you are wearing red today in honor of #MMIWG, please tweet us your photos in red and/or your traditional attire using #MMIWGActionNow.

Q2 - 1:07 PM – Q2 asked by @niwrc

@niwrc will post

Q2: The general public is just beginning to recognize the crisis of missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls, but for us in Indian Country, MMIWG is not a new issue. When does the history of MMIWG begin? #MMIWGActionNow

Q3 - 1:12 PM – Q3 asked by @niwrc

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Q3: Violence against Native women is a spectrum, and #MMIWG represents the tragic end of that spectrum. What are the root causes of violence against Native women, including
domestic violence, sexual assault, trafficking, murder, and other crimes? #MMIWGActionNow

**Q4 1:18 PM – Q4 asked by @niwrc**

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Q4: What are the top challenges related to the #MMIWG crisis? What can be done to address these challenges? #MMIWGActionNow

**Q5 1:24 PM – Q5 asked by @niwrc**

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Q5: Recognizing that the #MMIWG crisis is tied to the failure of the federal government to fulfill its trust responsibility, what actions can be taken to end this violence against Native women and girls? #MMIWGActionNow

**Q6 1:30 PM – Q6 asked by @niwrc**

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Q6: We know the lack of data on #MMIWG continues to be an issue and the rates of violence against Native women are much higher than reported. How does the lack of accurate data speak to the invisibility of Native people? How does that impact the MMIWG crisis? #MMIWGActionNow

**Q7 1:36 PM – Q7 asked by @niwrc**

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Q7: Tribal nations know the problems in addressing #MMIWG within their jurisdiction, as well as the solutions. Why is tribal sovereignty so important when talking about ending the MMIWG crisis? #MMIWGActionNow
Q8 1:42 PM – Q8 asked by @niwrc

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Q8: It is unacceptable for families to wait years for answers for their missing and murdered relatives. What can be done to prevent #MMIWG from happening in the first place? What can people do now to create safe spaces for Native women and girls? #MMIWGActionNow

Q9 1:48 PM – Q9 asked by @niwrc

@niwrc will post

Q9: Recognizing that colonization/assimilation has resulted in changes in belief systems/values/behaviors and, as a part of prevention, how do we reclaim the sacred status of women within our communities? #MMIWGActionNow

Q10 1:54 PM – Q10 asked by @niwrc

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Q10: What more can people do individually to raise awareness for missing and murdered Indigenous women and demand change at the tribal, federal and state levels? #MMIWGActionNow

Final Post - by @niwrc | 2:00 p.m.

…and that’s the end of our #MMIWGActionNow Twitter chat. TY so much everyone for speaking out for our Native sisters! Pls join our Webinar, ‘Missing and Murdered Native Women and Girls - National Day of Action’ STARTING NOW here: http://ow.ly/4Y4550zhAF2