Indigenous Data

RESTORING CULTURE.
BUILDING BEAUTY.

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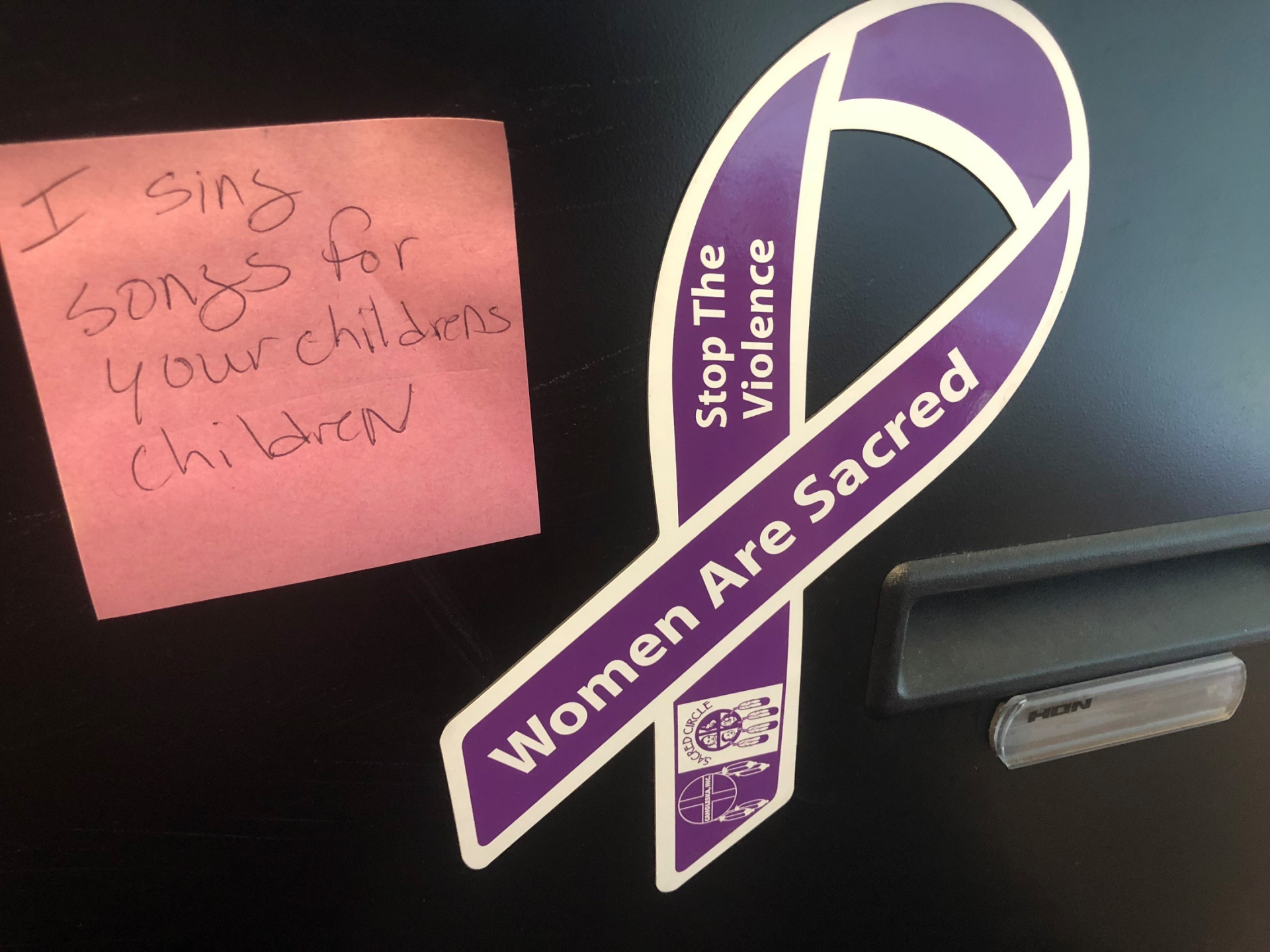
Who is the Urban Indian Health Institute?

- One of 12 Tribal Epidemiology Centers (TECs)
- Serves Urban American Indians and Alaska Natives (AI/AN) since 2000
- Supports the Urban Indian Health Network
  - 62 organizations including Urban Indian Health Programs and urban Indian social and health service organizations
- UIHI serves to improve the health of AI/AN by:
  - Identifying & understanding health disparities and resiliency
  - Strengthening public health capacity
  - Disease surveillance and disease prevention
  - Health promotion and disease prevention grounded in indigenous methodologies

“It’s hard to bridge that gap between what the Elders know and how to show it in numbers”

Warrants Outstanding Contingent Fund

STORY
CREATES
meaning


I sing
songs for
your childrens
children
Stop The
Violence
Women Are Sacred
SACRED CIRCLE
HON

Public Health calls them data points.

I call them ***Storytellers Of Health*.**

Why are stories important?

- DATA IS STORY

What is our responsibility to the storyteller?

- Care and protect them from harm

What is our responsibility to the story?

- Meaningful intent for the good and wellbeing of the people

How big is your
BRAVE
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