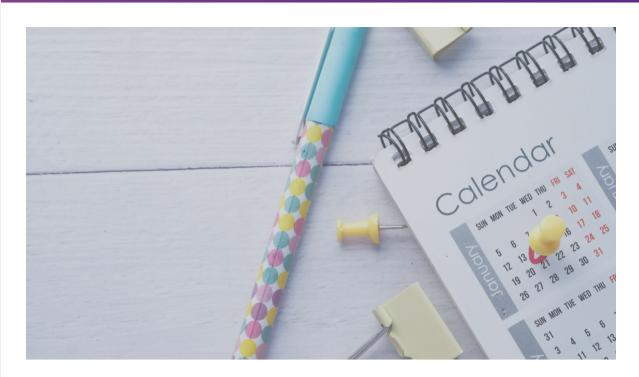
News, Upcoming Trainings, Other Resources April 2022







## Members, mark your calendars!

The search for our next Executive Director is entering the final stages and we

need your feedback. Join us from 1 - 4 p.m. April 14 to meet the two final candidates. We'll gather on Zoom and spend about 45 minutes with each candidate. They will take a few minutes to introduce themselves and share about their understanding of the anti-domestic violence movement and the work of a coalition. We'll also have time for questions. The firm working with us in our search, HR Advantage, will stay on after each candidate's meeting to get your impressions. As members, your experience, wisdom, needs, and input are a critical part of this process. We hope you'll join us! An invite will follow by email. Please reach out to Roshan with any questions at

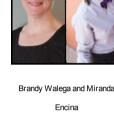
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# **Coalition Updates**

### **Training and TA Team** April 12 Facts & Snacks: Understanding the VOCA Emergency Fund

and How to Get to "Yes" The VOCA Emergency Fund comes a with a lot of restrictions. COVA

would like webinar participants to have an understanding of the restrictions, and how a request must reflect on the crime a survivor has experienced. COVA's goal is for these resources to directly help crime victims; and how the application is completed and the request is made can impact getting to a "yes" in providing help for a survivor of a crime. The webinar will also discuss how advocates can provide assistance for survivors on nights and weekends. There will be time for questions about situations advocates have experienced. Since every request is unique to individual survivors, there are no blanket answers. COVA encourages advocates to call and ask questions if they are in doubt.



Violence Free Colorado Training and Technical Assistance Team

Nancy Lewis, COVA Executive Director

Presenters:

Mandee & Rachael, COVA Emergency Fund Team

Register here!

#### VAWA Reauthorization has been passed and signed! We waited nearly a year for VAWA to move forward after being passed by the House. Last

**Public Policy Team** 

month both the House and Senate passed an appropriations bill that included the Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization of 2022, which President Biden subsequently signed. See NNEDV's statement for more information on the provisions and protections included in the final bill! The Colorado legislature is now over halfway through the 2022 session. One of our priorities this year - SB22-100, which continues the statewide

domestic violence fatality review board - has passed the Senate and is



making its way through the House! Thank you to those who have testified and supported this bill; we

are happy to see the broad, bipartisan support it has received. Additionally, SB22-183 has been introduced and will provide funding in support of communitybased domestic violence programs and survivors facing impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. As always, you can keep up with the legislation we're following on Violence Free Colorado's Public

Policy Page. Please reach out to Amelia at alobo@violencefreeco.org with any questions!

## her in her next steps.

**Community Impact Team** 

If you would like to renew membership this year and haven't yet, please do so via Coalition Manager, and reach out if you need help! communityimpact@violencefreeco.org

Our Community Impact Manager, Tamika Matthews, has moved on to her next career adventure! We are super sad to see her go but very excited for



## Resources and Other News

### Advocacy Services (ADWAS). Deaf NDDVH advocates at ADWAS answer videophone calls and emails

callers across the nation in partnership with Abused Deaf Women's

The National Deaf Domestic Violence Hotline

24/7. If using a voice phone, you will be connected to an interpreter for the duration of the phone call. Because of their experience working with Deaf domestic violence survivors and their extensive training, advocates are uniquely able to provide crisis intervention, education, information, and referrals for Deaf callers.

The National Deaf Domestic Violence Hotline (NDDVH) is available to Deaf

<u>Updated Tech Safety App From NNEDV</u>

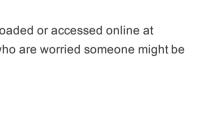
ADWAS can listen, provide information and referrals, provide domestic violence and sexual assault education, and brainstorm with callers different ways to keep safe and do formal safety planning. ADWAS also can work with Deaf and hearing friends and family members of Deaf survivors. Learn

#### abuse and options for taking action to address it. The app covers phones and other devices, social media, location tracking, and online privacy.

Safety Net is excited to announce their updated Tech Safety App! All the English and Spanish content has been updated to help survivors and advocates with information about tech

more here.

The app includes audio versions of the text, and can be downloaded or accessed online at TechSafetyApp.org, which can be a safer option for survivors who are worried someone might be monitoring their phone. **Building a Decolonized and Restorative** 



<u>Approach for Persons Causing Harm</u> The Coalition to Stop Violence Against Native Women is

# service providers that focuses on the dynamics of domestic

violence and Indigenizing offender accountability programming for tribal communities. Intended Audience: Direct service providers who provide services in the area of Batter's Intervention and those working

will also be emailed out so you can take the survey at a later date.

offering a one-day, 8-hour training at 9 a.m. April 20 for direct

with victims and survivors of violence and their dependent children, including but not limited to counselors, advocates, probation officers, judges, etc. Survey and Certificate: A certificate of completion will be issued after completing the training survey. A survey link will be provided at the end of the training. It

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