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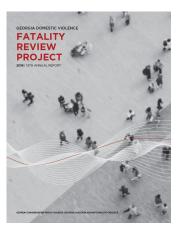
Advocating for Advances in the Domestic Violence Movement

GEORGIA COALITION AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Public Policy Update

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2016 Fatality Review Report



The Georgia Domestic Violence Fatality review Project 13th Annual Report is now available at georgiafatalityreview.com This Report, produced by GCADV and the Georgia Commission on Family Violence (GCFV), examines the circumstances that precede domestic violence related homicides by identifying systemic gaps in service delivery to victims and perpetrators. "This year, our analysis goes deeper to address the larger issue of suicide in our society and how suicide intervention for perpetrators could also be considered domestic violence homicide prevention."

Reflections on Movement Building A message from Jan

Dear Friends of GCADV,

At the heart of the domestic violence movement is social justice. We value the lives of all survivors of domestic violence and seek to ensure that they



have equal access to economic, political, and social rights and opportunities. When addressing domestic violence through a social justice framework, we address not only the trauma of abuse but other traumas and forms of oppression that could impact a survivor's potential to thrive.

For the past three years, GCADV has participated with other state domestic and sexual violence coalitions in national level Movement Building. The goal of Movement Building is to create a shared horizon which encompasses a shared purpose, shared values, and shared strategies. A shared horizon enables us to address the relationship between domestic violence and the social justice issues of race, gender, poverty, sexual identity, and disabilities. This shared horizon includes bringing diverse voices to the movement by creating and sustaining authentic partnerships with communities of color and engaging in the broader movement for radical social change. It also includes understanding how the criminal justice system and electoral politics impact these areas of focus. Involvement in Movement Building at the national level has provided an opportunity for profound selfreflection and the ability to build creativity in our work so that we can begin to engage in the pivots and progress of aligning solutions to better serve all survivors.

At the May 18 GCADV Membership Meeting, Karen Tronsgard-Scott, Executive Director of the Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence and a Movement Maker from Cohort 3 of *Move to End Violence*, will lead our membership and staff through Movement Building concepts and exercises that will help us make connections with our purpose

Welcome New Staff

Statewide Project Coordinator Donna Bracewell

Disabilities Project Manager Letitia Lowe

Special Projects Coordinator Leona Williams

Training Coordinator Steffani Salter

Child & Youth Project Manager Michelle White

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National Resources

and help us to identify strategies for moving forward in our work and mission.

Sincerely, Jan Christiansen Executive Director



NO MORE Week was March 5-11 and is supported by hundreds of national and local groups and by thousands of individuals, organizations, universities, and communities who are using its signature blue symbol to increase visibility to raise public awareness and engagement around ending domestic violence and sexual assault.

Visit nomore.org to sign up for global updates.

Women Leaders Breakfast



GCADV held its first Women Leaders Gathering in early March to discuss the following areas:

- Community Outreach: To effectively communicate the impact of domestic violence to employers and the broader community.
- Domestic Violence Advocacy: To enhance the organization's presence in the state by engaging

NNEDV

National Network to End Domestic Violence nnedv.org/

NNEDV is the leading voice for domestic violence victims and their advocates. NNEDV offers a range of programs and intitatives to address the complex causes and far-reaching consequences of domestic violence.



womenslaw.org

"because knowledge is power"

A project of NNEDV providing legal information and support of victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

For help, call the STATEWIDE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE 1-800-33-HAVEN (1.800.334.2836)

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more women in the movement and in legislative advocacy.

 Resource Development: to increase GCADV's ability to support member agencies and programs by securing additional funding.

We look forward to future conversations with these innovative women!

Race For Empowerment 5k Run/Walk



Hundreds of runners and walkers will lace up their sneakers to help raise awareness & support for domestic violence programs that serve survivors and their families across the state.

GCADV's 3rd Annual Race for Empowerment will take place Sunday, April 30 at 8:00 am at Piedmont Park in Atlanta.

Come run, walk, or volunteer with us to show your support of our work on this important issue. Participating will be fun and impactful at the same time! Participants may register individually either in advance online or in-person on race day.

Register here! \$30 through April 27 \$35 on Race Day \$100 for Teams (up to 5 people) thru April 27

Questions about the race can be directed to Hannah Morgan at (404) 209-0280x24 or hmorgan@qcadv.org

About GCADV

Our Mission: Collaborate. Advocate. Educate. Empower.

GCADV envisions a Georgia free of domestic violence. We empower survivors and the programs that serve them, we educate the public, and we advocate for responsive public policy. Our strength is in numbers, as we collaborate throughout Georgia to stop domestic violence.

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