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Happy July! Summer is in full swing and I hope you are taking time to soak up the warmth and spend some time away from the office!

I want to thank all of you who attended MAC's recent round of regional meetings. It's always good to be together to network and learn about all the work and emerging issues that are occurring throughout the state. I know you are all busy, so the fact that you took a couple of hours out of your day to meet new staff and connect with us, means so very much!

MAC staff and board are already busy planning for the FY22 Annual Membership Business Meeting that will be held virtually on Thursday, September 8, 2022 from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm. We have some exciting things to update membership on, present a slate of new BOD candidates for the membership to approve, and go over MAC bylaw amendments that will need to be ratified by membership. We are especially excited to share MAC's plan for developing MAC's next 3-year strategic plan.

Please take time to think about who you want to nominate for the 2022 Spotlight on Service Award. We all know someone in our organization or a partnering organization who is thinking outside the box to ensure crime victims receive the support and outcomes they deserve. Look for the link to the nomination form in the newsletter and makes sure that advocate you look up to receives a nomination!

The annual member survey will be going out in a couple of weeks. PLEASE take time to provide your honest feedback on MAC's work and what you want us to be doing to support your programs and work. We use your feedback to plan upcoming trainings, strengthen our technical assistance, and ensure you are getting the information you want and need from MAC. It only takes a few minutes to complete, and it makes a huge difference.

Again, thank you for your continued support of MAC's work and remember that we work for you. Please stay in touch and let us know how we can better support you.

In Peace, **Bobbi**

annual membership drive



RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP OR BECOME A MEMBER

*MAC's fiscal year 2023 is July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023.



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All FY23 membership applications are due by **September 15, 2022**.

As a membership coalition, MAC is only as strong as the sum of its parts—our members. Supporting and strengthening the work of our member programs is critical to the success of MAC as an organization. We very much hope that your organization will renew your MAC membership for FY23 or consider joining us as a new or lapsed member to ensure all victims of crime have the support and resources they need.

Here are just a few of MAC's highlights from FY22:

- Increased access to quality training and technical assistance for our membership, including a full slate of online trainings specifically looking at Occupational Identity for leadership and direct service staff.
- Convened regional meetings with MAC members to discuss emerging issues and increase networking and collaboration.
- In partnership with RTI International, The Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association and the Minnesota Sheriffs' Association launched a pilot test of EVVA the burglary chatbot to assist victims of burglary online 24/7.

We thank you in advance for your continued support of MAC through membership!

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*The web folks are finalizing tweaking and testing the new form in real time, so if there are issues with the site, please try again.

OR download, save, and fill out the attached fillable PDF here.

annual membership meeting
September 8, 2022 from 9 am to noon

SAVE THE DATE

2022 Annual Membership Meeting & Capacity Building Training September 8-9, 2022

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Annual Membership Meeting and Capacity Training September 8th and 9th, 2022

Annual Membership Meeting

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Thursday, September 8, 2022 9:00 am to Noon

The 2022 Virtual Annual Membership Meeting will provide our members and allies the opportunity to learn more about the strategic work MAC staff and board are currently engaged in and provide direct feedback that will shape MAC's initiatives moving forward. Members will also ratify changes to MAC's bylaws and vote on the presented slate of candidates for the Board of Directors. *This year, in order to continue to assure the safety of our members, the Annual Meeting will be held online.*

We would like to see at least one representative from every MAC member program participate online at the Virtual Annual Meeting!

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Capacity Building Training (Schedule TBD)

- Book Discussion: The Body Keeps the Score
- Presentation on Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) by Jane Straub
- Documentary on Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)

MAC will hold it's second annual online silent auction during the annual meeting.

The silent auction will open at 8:00am Thursday September 8th and stay open until Sunday September 11th. Individuals will be notified at the close of the auction which items they won. Please reach out to <u>Amee Krogfus</u> if you or your program are interested in donating items to the silent auction.



Spotlight Award Nomination

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MAC's Spotlight Award

At the 2022 MAC Annual Meeting, to be held online on September 8th, we will award the Spotlight Award to a MAC member who is truly making a difference for victims. We need YOUR help in nominating outstanding members for this award!

Spotlight Award Criteria:

- The nominee must currently be an employee, intern, or volunteer for a <u>MAC</u> member program.
- The nominee does not need to work directly with victims but they must work on behalf of victims in a significant way. (Example: The executive director or the volunteer coordinator of a direct service organization.)
- You may nominate someone at your own agency or another MAC member organization.
 - You may nominate yourself.
- The nominee must be doing work that is considered innovative and/or outstanding.

How to Nominate:

- **Click here** to download the nomination form.
 - (The nomination form is a fillable PDF. Please download and save the form.)
- Email the completed form to Kim Mongoven by Monday, August 29, 2022.

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Apply to become a MAC Board Member!



The Minnesota Alliance on Crime (MAC) Board of Directors seeks new members as we continue to achieve our mission of connecting systems, service providers, and victims to advance the response for victims of all crime.

Minnesota Alliance on Crime (MAC) Board of Directors member terms are three years in duration and a member may, if ratified by membership, serve up to two consecutive terms. MAC Board members are expected to provide a time commitment of five to ten hours per month to ensure all duties are fulfilled; and provide additional time as needed for special events and projects.

MAC Board meetings are on the second Thursday every other month. Meetings normally last three hours and are held during the day in St. Paul, MN.

Board members will be elected as a slate at the MAC Annual Meeting, which is held every September.

Who are we recruiting?

Be an ambassador of MAC's mission of improving the response to crime victims through collaboration, public policy, and development and application of an anti-racist lens in all areas of our work. We are looking for:

- People who share our values: Courageous & Bold Action, Collaboration, Integrity, and Social and Racial Justice.
- **Strength in diversity:** BIPOC folx, LGBTQ+ folx, immigrants, people with disabilities, and victim/survivors are encouraged to apply.
- **People with skills in the following areas:** Social Enterprise, Business Analysis and Planning, Technology, Finance, Legal/Prosecution.
- **People with the following community connections:** Corporate, Faith-based, Law Enforcement, Philanthropy.
- Representation of our membership throughout the state: Especially from Greater Minnesota.

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Save the Date:

annual membership survey

The Annual Member Survey is Coming!

To continue our work to achieve our mission, MAC needs your valuable feedback as a member of our coalition. This year's member survey is **quick and easy!** We will use your feedback to help us set strategic goals and better serve our member programs statewide.

The survey will take you minutes but the impact of your response will be longlasting. Keep an eye on your inbox for it and thank you for all that you do!

MAC's statement on the overturning of Roe v. Wade

While we are a non-political and non-partisan organization, the overturning of Roe v. Wade not only puts all crime victims at risk by limiting the rights and protections available to them, but it specifically limits the options sexual assault survivors, incest survivors, and survivors of intimate partner violence have in making decisions about their recovery or leaving their abuser. As always, we stand in solidarity with our sister coalitions working to protect children, sexual assault victims/survivors, victims/survivors of intimate partner violence, and indigenous people across the state who are impacted greatly by this ruling.

MAC's Full Statement

988 launches nation-wide July 16, 2022





988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline

In 2020, Congress designated the new 988 dialing code to operate through the existing National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) is the lead federal agency, in partnership with the Federal Communications Commission and the Department of Veterans Affairs, working to make the promise of 988 a reality for America. Moving to a 3-digit dialing code is a once-in-alifetime opportunity to strengthen and expand the existing National Suicide Prevention Lifeline (the Lifeline). Of course, 988 is more than just an easy-to-remember number—it is a direct connection to compassionate, accessible care and support for anyone experiencing mental health related distress – whether that is thoughts of suicide, mental health or substance use crisis, or any other kind of emotional distress. Preparing for full 988 implementation requires a bold vision for a crisis care system that provides direct, life-saving services to all in need.

samhsa.gov/find-help/988

The resources and information on the 988 page are designed to help states, territories, tribes, mental health and substance use disorder professionals, and others looking for information on understanding the background, history, funding opportunities, and implementation resources for strengthening suicide prevention and mental health crisis services. 988 goes live on all devices on July 16, 2022.

news from the field

Office for Victims of Crime staff extend condolences to the victims of the shootings in Tulsa, Oklahoma; Uvalde, Texas; Buffalo, New York; Laguna Woods, California; and other recent mass shootings. The Office presents the resources on their website, which may help victims and their families, and the first responders and other professionals that are providing support to them during this difficult time.

The <u>Preventing Mass Attacks</u>, <u>Saving Lives Toolkit</u>, published last month by the Rand Corporation with support from the National Institute of Justice, offers good information for agency and community service providers, and recommendations for policymakers (among many other valuable resources).

BJS produced Incidence of <u>Victimization at School and Away From School</u>, an indicator that is now included in the 2022 Condition of Education. The Condition of Education is a report produced by the National Center for Education Statistics, Institute of Education Sciences, in the Department of Education.

The Center on Victimization and Safety from the Vera Institute of Justice created a new, stand-alone independent non-profit to continue their work. Introducing <u>Activating</u> <u>Change</u>. Activating Change is a national non-profit organization. The mission is to end victimization, criminalization, incarceration, and institutionalization of people with disabilities and Deaf people. Activating Change fosters alignment, builds capacity, and supports greater coordination across social justice movements to realize our goals of freedom and healing – not harm and punishment - for people with disabilities and Deaf people. Activating Change launched on July 1, 2022.

<u>Community Based Violence Intervention & Prevention Initiative</u> - The webinar was hosted by the Bureau of Justice Assistance in cooperation with the National Institute of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, and the Office for Victims of Crime. Webinar materials are available to review.

upcoming MAC trainings and webinars

Civil Commitments: Part Two

This webinar will focus on the Department of Corrections role in the civil commitment review process and how that intersects with predatory offender notifications. With recent changes to this unit it can be confusing who handles what and who to contact. This webinar will inform victim service professionals on post-conviction victim rights and prepare them to navigate the various systems that a victim encounters post-conviction.

Thursday, August 11th from 2 pm to 3:30 pm CST

Presented by the Minnesota Department of Corrections



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The Minnesota Alliance on Crime hosts Brittany Anderson from the Department of Correction's Victim Services and Restorative Justice Unit. The 90-minute webinar will focus on the Department of Corrections role in the civil commitment review process and how that intersects with predatory offender notifications. With recent changes to this unit it can be confusing who handles what and who to contact. This webinar will inform victim service professionals on post-conviction victim rights and prepare them to navigate the various systems that a victim encounters post-conviction.

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Thursday, August 8, 2022 from 2 pm to 3:30 pm

upcoming other trainings and webinars

Shaping a Consent Decree: Addressing Race-Based Policing in Minneapolis hosted by the MN Justice Research Center. Following a two-year pattern, the Minnesota Department of Human Rights (MDHR) found that the City and Minneapolis Police Department engage in race-based policing. This summer, in partnership with the MDHR, the MNJRC has agreed to lead the official community outreach strategy for MDHR. We will be holding 5 community engagement sessions to gather ideas from community members on how to best address race-based policing through a consent decree. What we learn from community members will be included in a report to MDHR that will inform the content for a consent decree with the City of Minneapolis and the Minneapolis Police Department. Please visit mnjrc.org/events to RSVP for these events and to learn more about this important project.

Save the Date: <u>Standpoint's 2022 New Laws</u> is coming to <u>5 locations</u> in Minnesota, August-October! Can't join in person? Sign-up for the virtual session Aug 18-19. Registration opens July 1st, but pick your session and get these dates on your calendar now! <u>What is New Laws?</u> The single greatest source of up-to-date legal information related to domestic and sexual violence for: advocates, attorneys, law enforcement, court officials, and other professionals in Minnesota. Day One consists of Special Topics - this year they will be focused on: housing, immigration, and technology. Day Two outlines changes in statutory and case law, both in Minnesota and federally, that impact sexual and domestic violence justice. Questions? Email <u>nikki@standpointmn.org</u>

Changemakers Alliance (CALL) is a membership-driven extension of the **Minnesota Women's Press** and **womenspress.com**. They are hosting **July series: Family Identity** with CALL Navigator Npaus Baim Her. Three conversations are planned with members of the Council of Asian American Leaders, and about ethnic studies curriculum, including a discussion with Minnesota youth from overlooked cultures.

Defining Indian Country and Protecting Crime Victims-Reservations and Allotments post-

McGirt. Wednesday, July 13th, 2022 12-1:15PM CST. Join Victim Assistance to Support Tribes (VAST), a center within the National Center for Victims of Crime, for the first of three webinars with subject matter expert Casey Ross. *More information and Registration.*

The <u>National Mass Violence Victimization Resource Center</u> will host its Third Virtual National Town Hall on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>July 14</u>, <u>from 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm</u>. This Town Hall will focus on <u>mass violence response</u>. <u>More information and Registration</u>.

Harmon v. Diocese of Albany: The first appellate opinion of its kind under New York's Child Victims Act, July 14, 2022, from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM CST. In this webinar, attorney Mallory Allen, a partner with Pfau Cochran Vertetis Amala PLLC, will discuss the implications of Harmon v. Diocese of Albany – the first appellate opinion of its kind under New York's Child Victims Act. More information and Registration.

<u>State Grants for MN Nonprofits: Issues, Trends, and Opportunities</u> for a fresh look at the state of state grantmaking in this new climate. You'll hear from former MCN executive director and sector expert Jon Pratt, who has undertaken a new analysis of Minnesota's grants economy, interviewing key leaders at a dozen state agencies that make grants to nonprofits and communities. You'll also hear from Naomi Munzner from the Minnesota Office of Grants Management at the Department of Administration. **Tuesday, July 19, 9-11:30 a.m.** <u>More information and Registration.</u>

Maximizing Justice, Minimizing Harm: The Prosecutors' Role in Achieving Survivor-Centered Justice in Human Trafficking Cases July 21, 2022 at 1 PM ET. Presented by Jane Anderson, AEquitas Attorney Advisor, David Weiss, Deputy Chief, Brooklyn District Attorney's Office, and Miiko Anderson, Deputy District Attorney, Fresno County District Attorney's Office. This presentation will focus on how prosecutors can collaborate with others to better serve their communities by holding traffickers accountable and protecting victims and survivors in meaningful ways. Register Here.

This webinar will assist eligible applicants interested in applying for the OJJDP FY 2022
Community-Based Alternatives to Youth Incarceration Solicitation. This webinar will provide a general overview of the program, the goals and objectives, a discussion about the application process, and a Q&A opportunity for participants. July 21, 2022, 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm CST.

Are you a prosecutor handling domestic violence cases in your community? Do you want to strengthen your skills to better serve victims and hold offenders accountable? Join us this **August 16–18th for the National Institute on the Prosecution of Domestic Violence!** The National Institute on the Prosecution of Domestic Violence (NIPDV) is a three-day virtual course designed to challenge participants to reevaluate their approach to prosecuting domestic violence. **Mail** <u>info@aequitasresource.org</u> to indicate your interest in attending the Institute

Child Abuse Summit: Tips for the Team, hosted by the Otto Bremer Trust Center for Safe and Healthy Children is taking place **August 22 – 24** as a hybrid event (you can attend virtually or in person). It's a great opportunity for MDTs to learn about the identification and treatment of child abuse and neglect from both regional and national experts. **Registration and more information.**

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As always, if you have any suggestions for MAC, we welcome your input!

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about the minnesota alliance on crime

The Minnesota Alliance on Crime connects systems, service providers, and victims to advance the response for victims of all crime. MAC is a membership coalition of more than 90 crime victim service providers in Minnesota, including prosecution-based victim/witness programs, community programs, law enforcement agencies, and individuals committed to supporting crime victims. We support our membership through training, technical assistance, resources, public policy and legislative initiatives, and networking opportunities.

For more information about MAC, go to www.mnallianceoncrime.org.

To join our coalition of Minnesota crime victim service programs, click here.

To donate: www.mnallianceoncrime.org/donate/

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