



“BEHIND CLOSED DOORS”

A DEEPER LOOK INTO DOMESTIC ABUSE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, AND THE EFFECTS OF TRAUMA

Keynote Speaker: Lundy Bancroft

Date: October 27th, 2017 8a-4:30p **Fee:** 150 includes continental breakfast at 7:30 am and lunch

Place: Amhurst H. Wilder Center 451 Lexington Parkway N. Saint Paul, MN 55104

“Saving Grace” is a 501c3 non-profit organization of professionals and experts in the areas of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Trauma Informed Care, and Adverse Childhood Events. We are dedicated to ending the cycle of violence through education, supporting victims, and collaborative partnerships.

This conference is designed for Teachers, School Counselors, Social Workers, Child Protection Workers, Lawyers, Law Students, Child Custody Evaluators, Guardians Ad Litem, Parenting Consultants, Judges, Law Enforcement Investigators, Health Care and Mental Health Professionals, Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Advocates, Physicians, Nurses, and Forensic Nurses.

Through plenary presentations, ceremonies, and breakout sessions; participants will gain in-depth knowledge of the multiple and complex factors associated with abuse and trauma.

Participants will be able to:

- **Understand the effects of verbal/emotional, physical, sexual, and interpersonal violence; trauma and recovery for adults and children.** Additionally, the challenges faced in the areas of the education and title IX, social work, mental and physical healthcare, police officers, first responders, and criminal, family, and juvenile systems will be discussed.
- **Increase their knowledge and understanding, and identify the short and long term impact of domestic violence and sexual assault on multiple systems: emotional, mental, physical, economical, financial, and legal.**



- **Identify the impact and effects of trauma on the brain in adults and children, and how victims tend to present who are in trauma. Understand the importance of trauma centered interviewing. Learn and utilize techniques for trauma focused interviewing and care when working with victims.**
- **Increase personal self-awareness of bias and understand how power impacts our self-awareness, and ability to relate to others.**
- **Increase professional collaboration efforts of community partners in being able to identify, interrupt, and influence a positive change in outcomes of batterers and victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, and human trafficking.**

About the Keynote Speaker: Lundy Bancroft has over twenty-five years of experience in the fields of abuse, trauma, and recovery. He has published five books, including the best-seller “Why Does He Do That?”, and has presented to 350 audiences across the U.S. and abroad. He has counseling and clinical supervising experience in over 2,000 cases working with batterers. He has also served extensively as a custody evaluator, child abuse investigator, and as an expert witness in child custody and welfare cases. He has been training judges, probation officers, and other court personnel on men who batter and on battering’s effects on children. He co-authored articles in the New England Journal of Medicine and the Journal of Contemporary Psychology and is co-creator of two nationally marketed curricula, one for working with batterers and one for teen-dating violence in schools. In addition, he completed a study for the state of Massachusetts on approaches to meeting the service needs of children exposed to domestic violence.