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Happy Winter!

As I was grumbling about the 8 inches of snow we received yesterday and the plummeting temperatures, I was reminded of what my father always said this time of year, "We can't have a beautiful spring without enduring winter first."

That got me thinking about the past eleven months of 2022 and all the effort and hard work MAC has invested to become an organization that better meets the needs of our member programs, allied partners, and crime victims.

2022 started out very dark and cold with so many unknowns and as spring approached, new life was breathed into our organization that has culminated in renewed vision, passion, and new relationships that will continue to benefit all of MAC's work.

I hope you are all able to look back at 2022 and see the change and growth that you've experienced, even if at times it was uncomfortable, and maybe even chaotic.

As we say goodbye to another year and turn our sights to 2023, take time to look back and recognize the hard work, the wins, the losses, and the lessons. All of those experiences will bring you growth in the year ahead.

Thank you for your continued support, trust, and belief in MAC's work and in the MAC staff. We look forward to 2023 and collaborating with all of you to do incredible things.

I wish you all peace and joy!

Bobbi



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give TO THE MAX 
Nov. 17, 2022

We've sent a lot of emails these last months asking for membership renewal and donations for Give to the MAX. We know that you support us and we keep asking you to do more. And you do. We are so grateful for everyone who has shown up. Whether renewing your membership, making a donation, hosting an online fundraiser, or sharing information about our trainings--we are extremely grateful for your support. We couldn't do this work without you and want you to know how extremely grateful we are for you and your support for crime victims across the state. So thank you for all that you do.

news from the field

In the 30 months since the onset of the global pandemic caused by COVID-19, Minnesota nonprofits continue to experience significant disruption in their operations and services. **The Minnesota Council of Nonprofits (MCN)** has released new data to help provide a more in-depth picture of the health of Minnesota's nonprofit sector with the [2022 Minnesota Nonprofit Economy Report - Current Conditions and COVID-19 Impact Update, Sixth Edition](#).

NCVLI developed *two new QuickTools* in coordination with the **International Association of Chiefs of Police** on victim advocacy in law enforcement. In these Tools you will find tips and recommendations for working with victims from experts in the field and an overview of how these early interactions proceed. [Access them here](#).

The National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS) and National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS): A complementary picture of crime in 2021 describes the similarities and differences between crime estimates derived from the BJS-sponsored NCVS, and the FBI's NIBRS. [Read it here](#).

Carjacking Victimization, 1995–2021 - This Just the Stats report presents findings on nonfatal carjacking victimization from 1995 to 2021, based on data from BJS's National Crime Victimization Survey. It shows trend estimates of nonfatal carjacking victimizations and provides data on characteristics of carjackings and demographics of carjacking victims. It's the first report in BJS's new Just the Stats a web-published series, which

features short reports that are focused on specific topics of interest. [Read it here.](#)

Preventing Youth Hate Crimes & Identity-Based Bullying Fact Sheet - This fact sheet provides an overview of the participation OJJDP's Preventing Youth Hate Crimes & Identity-Based Bullying Initiative, including the 2021 Virtual Symposium, webinars, youth roundtables and topics to be included in a forthcoming prevention curriculum. [Read it here.](#)

HEAL Trafficking, in collaboration with the National Survivor Network, has developed a great new resource for event hosts aiming to facilitate safe spaces for speakers, like the experts of HEAL Speakers' Bureau, with lived experience of trafficking and/or other forms of trauma. [Read it here.](#)

Funding Information and Opportunities:

Join **USDOJ Office for Victims of Crime** for a webinar that will provide an overview of OVC's funding and training opportunities. Participants will also receive guidance about how to navigate the OVC website, which showcases current projects, events, funding opportunities, and equips you with tools and training resources to assist you in better serving crime victims. [Register here.](#)

Funded by the **Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), the Rural Violent Crime Reduction Initiative (RVCRI)** is an effort to provide funding and assistance to rural law enforcement agencies seeking to reduce violent crime and address problems associated with violent crime. Funding and support are available for implementing violent crime reduction strategies, improving investigations, improving services to victims, and for enhancing collaboration between local stakeholders. RVCRI is an opportunity for law enforcement agencies who are addressing a rural violent crime problem to apply for up to \$150,000 in funding support. The RVCRI Microgrant Application will always remain open; however, the first deadline for application review is **December 15.** [Apply here.](#)

Esperanza United and Mujeres Latinas en Acción are awarding nearly \$12 million to approximately 30 grantees over the coming years! Eligible organizations include Hispanic and Latin@ community-based, culturally specific organizations that serve Hispanic and Latin@ survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence in the United States and its territories. The purpose of this funding is to enhance access to critical services and support for Hispanic and Latin@ survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence and address emergent needs resulting from the spread of COVID-19. **Applications are due December 16.** [Apply here.](#)

upcoming MAC trainings and webinars

ADVOCACY BEYOND SENTENCING
A 4-Part Training Series

DECEMBER 7	DECEMBER 14	JANUARY 4	JANUARY 11
1 VINE and Haven	2 Advocacy During Supervision	3 Post-Conviction Crime Victim Rights	4 The Department of Corrections

Hosted by the Minnesota Alliance on Crime, the Crime Victim Justice Unit, and the Department of Corrections

This 4-part training series aims to increase advocates knowledge of victims rights, systems, and supervision post sentencing. The series is hosted by the Minnesota Alliance on Crime, the Crime Victim Justice Unit, and the Department of Corrections.

Registration is free for all, you can use this form to sign up for any or all of the sessions. Recordings of the trainings will be posted on the MAC member page, accessible to MAC

members only.

Part 1: Wednesday, December 7th, Noon-1:00pm

VINE and Haven: Understanding the two victim notification systems in Minnesota.

Part 2: Wednesday, December 14th, Noon-1:30pm

Advocacy During Supervision: Understanding the landscape of victim advocacy when the offender is under supervision.

Part 3: Wednesday, January 4th, Noon-1:00pm

Post-Conviction Crime Victim Rights: A close look at crime victim statutory rights from sentencing and beyond.

Part 4: Wednesday, January 11th, Noon-1:30pm

The Department of Corrections: Learning the systems, process, terminology, and places where victims and advocates connect

[Click here to register](#)



Fundamentals in Victim Services
An online training for newer crime victim services professionals

January 24-26, 2023
15 hours of foundational skill building and networking

**Free for MAC members
\$50 for non-members**

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The banner features a central illustration of a desk with a laptop displaying a Zoom meeting, a desk lamp, a pencil holder, and books. The background is light blue with a green plant.

The January 2023 Fundamentals in Victim Services Training is a virtual training for victim advocates to develop core knowledge and skills to provide victim-centered services. By the end of this training, advocates will be able to:

- Understand the role of ongoing and historical trauma in victimization and develop skills for providing trauma-responsive advocacy to all victims of crime.
- Expand their understanding of vicarious trauma and strategies to build resilience for a sustainable career in victim services.
- Understand and examine their own Occupational Identity (OI) and identify strategies for cultivating healthy boundaries; and
- Describe key victims' rights and know how to find more information to ensure that criminal legal systems professionals are meeting statutory obligations regarding crime victims;
- Recognize and interrogate the roles of bias, privilege, and oppression in victimization and advocacy;
- Identify and honor the unique and complementary roles of community-based and systems-based advocates;

Furthermore, training participants will have opportunities to connect with one another and with experienced professionals with a range of knowledge and skills.

Expectations for the Virtual Format:

Fundamentals in Victim Services will feature interactive modules to appeal to different styles of learning, with a combination of lecture, small group work in breakout sessions, and opportunities for individual reflection.

Modules will take place live via Zoom. Attendees will be expected to actively participate, using the chat to engage with presenters and other participants, and turning on cameras

and unmuting during large group discussions and breakout sessions.

MAC will award a certificate of completion to attendees who complete all the modules. Participants are expected to complete all sessions live. If you cannot attend a live session, you must email us at training@mnallianceoncrime.org in advance to request an excused absence. Sessions may not be recorded.

We will apply for Continuing Legal Education (for attorneys) and Peace Officers Standings and Training (for law enforcement) credits by request. If you would like CLE or POST credits, please indicate this on your registration, or contact us at training@mnallianceoncrime.org by **January 6, 2023**.

Registration is free for MAC Member programs and \$50 for non-members. Not sure your program is a member? Check here: <https://www.mnallianceoncrime.org/our-member-programs/>

Registration will close Friday January 20, 2023 at 5 pm CT

[Click here to register](#)

Fundamentals in Victim Services 201

An online training for **experienced** crime victim services professionals

March 21-23, 2023

15 hours of skill building designed for victim service professionals who have been working in the field for 5+ years

**Free for MAC members
\$50 for non-members**



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upcoming other trainings and webinars

Minnesota Peace Building Leadership presents: *Learning Strategies for Trauma Awareness and Resilience in a Single Day for Cultural Competence, Racial Healing, Equity, and Inclusion*. When terrible things happen, like racism and COVID-19, our peace has been stolen from us. Let's build peace into our lives and communities with justice for all. December 1, 2022, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM CST. [Register here](#).

Domestic Violence Law Meeting hosted by Standpoint and Violence Free Minnesota **Dec 2, 2023 12-1 pm** This month, the topic is “**Conversation with the Battered Women’s Justice Project**”. Amy Sanchez, Chief Executive Officer, and Kristine Lizdas, Director of the National Center on Legal Approaches to Prevent Family Violence, will discuss recent changes and current work at BWJP, and how advocacy programs in MN can plug into these resources. [Register here](#).

The ChildFirst® Forensic Interview Protocol brings the field into the classroom, enhancing the education of front-line child abuse response professionals. Students receive training on child development, memory and suggestibility, testifying in court, legal issues, and preparing children for court. This training incorporates lecture and discussion, review of electronically recorded interviews, skill-building exercises, and an interview practicum. **December 5-9. In-person training in Duluth, Minnesota.** [Register here](#).

The Zero Abuse Project presents: Adverse Childhood Experiences & Comprehensive Trauma-Informed Care (ACE-TIC). December 6-7, 2022 | 8:30AM-

12:30PM CT. Who should be interested: Professionals who work with children and families, including educators and administrators, childcare providers, law enforcement, youth-serving organizations, health and human service providers, faith-based organizations, healthcare and victim advocates. [More information and registration.](#)

NOVA is excited to host its **2nd Annual Virtual Career Development Fair on December 13 - 15, 2022.** This free event is an opportunity for students entering the workforce, professionals interested in a career change and advocates looking for professional growth. Both English and Spanish workshops will be provided and individuals will gain in-depth knowledge about the field of victim advocacy and crisis response, understand the variety of positions and organizations in which advocates serve, and have the opportunity to build connections with other aspiring advocates. [Register here.](#)

NAVRA, a project of the National Crime Victim Law Institute presents: *Challenges for Immigrant Victims Navigating the Criminal Justice System.* Wed, December 14, 2022, 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM PST Crime victims who are immigrants carry an additional layer of legal considerations. This training will examine unique challenges and opportunities that immigrant crime victims must navigate while interacting with the criminal justice system. [Register here.](#)

The National Center for Victims of Crime is now accepting workshop proposals for the 2023 National Training Institute (NTI) taking place in Boston, MA from September 6-8, 2023. **Proposals are due January 13th, 2023 by 11:59pm EST** . All submissions will be reviewed by NCVC's education committee and presenters will be notified of their acceptance by March 2023. [Apply here.](#)

job opportunities

Job openings from our members and partners:

Standpoint:

- [Staff Attorney](#)
- [LAV Project Attorney](#)
- [Underserved Populations Support Advocate](#)

Cornerstone:

- [Civil/Criminal Justice Intervention Advocate](#)
- [Day One Call Center Hotline Advocate](#)
- [Deaf and Accessibility Services Specialist](#)

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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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