



Advancing rights
and services
for victims of crime
in Minnesota.



October 2016 Newsletter

News From the Executive Director

MAC continues to grow! While MAC is expanding in terms of additional staff, interns, and member programs, I am most excited about the growth in MAC's outreach and impact. MAC's fall quarterly webinar on victim impact statements had over 70 individuals participate. (If you represent a member program and missed the webinar, we have it archived for you in the [members section of the MAC website](#).) Our requests for technical assistance and resources are increasing.



If you haven't yet checked out all the changes taking place at MAC, I encourage you to take a few minutes to visit our website or give me a call. I love to talk about all the exciting things happening at MAC.

As exciting as growth and change can be, the MAC board and staff are committed to ensuring that our work focuses on advancing our mission and continues to be informed by our core values. If you aren't familiar with MAC's core values that were developed by the board and staff last spring and adopted by our membership in September, [click here to view them](#).

As always, MAC needs your feedback and involvement in our efforts to ensure we are supporting your work in ways that will improve the response to victims of crime in Minnesota. Please feel free to contact me for more information regarding MAC's work, technical assistance, and resources.

In Peace,

Bobbi Holtberg
Executive Director

Welcome New MAC Staff Member Julia Tindell

The MAC staff and board are very happy to welcome our newest staff member, Julia Tindell, who will serve as our half-time administrative and volunteer coordinator.

Julia joins us with several years of experience in the anti-sex trafficking movement, where she coordinated a volunteer program, planned large-scale events, and managed communications. She also created training programs to educate service providers on the social and cultural context of sexual violence and develop effective practices for professional-grade, survivor-centered, trauma-informed care. Julia has a strong personal and professional commitment to ending sexual violence, domestic violence, sex trafficking, and general

crime.

Julia's first day will be Tuesday, November 9th. Please welcome her on that day by sending her an email at julia@mnallianceoncrime.org!



Give to MAC to the Max!

Please join MAC on **Thursday, November 17, 2016**, for **Give to the Max Day** and help MAC continue to connect systems, service providers, and victims to advance the response for victims of all crime. MAC's vision is to put victims' rights at the forefront of the criminal justice system by changing Minnesota's response to crime.

Your tax-deductible donation on Give to the Max Day may help MAC receive an additional donation of \$1,000. How? On November 17, every gift made on GiveMN.org will be entered into an hourly drawing for a \$1,000 GiveMN Golden Ticket to be awarded to a nonprofit organization. And here's the really exciting part: Two donations made during the Give to the Max Day campaign will be randomly selected to receive a \$10,000 Super-Sized GiveMN Golden Ticket!

The more gifts we generate on GiveMN.org during Give to the Max Day, the more our chances increase to receive that additional \$10,000 donation. Imagine what MAC could do with \$10,000!

Be sure to mark your calendar and make your tax-deductible gift on November 17 by going to [MAC's Give to the Max page!](#)

GET OUT THE VOTE!

November 8 Is Election Day

Get out the vote on Election Day with [MAC's Voting Guide](#), which has helpful information on how to register to vote, when and where to vote, answers to safety and accessibility concerns, and voter's rights. Feel free to distribute it to clients, colleagues, and anyone else who needs a little assistance with voting.

News From the Field

Battered Women's Legal Advocacy Project Changes Its Name to Standpoint

During the fall of 2016, the Battered Women's Legal Advocacy Project (BWLAP) is rebranding to Standpoint. The aim with the Standpoint rebrand is to strengthen the organization's commitment to the promotion of justice for victims of domestic and sexual violence. For more information on this change, please see the new [Standpoint website](#) or this [informational video](#).

Bureau of Justice Statistics Releases the 2015 National Crime Victimization Survey

The survey presents national rates and levels of criminal victimization in 2015 and annual change from 2014. The report includes statistics on the characteristics of crimes and victims and consequences of victimization. It examines violent crimes (rape or sexual assault, robbery, aggravated assault, and simple assault) and property crimes (household burglary, motor vehicle theft, and theft). It also includes estimates of domestic violence, intimate partner violence, injury, and use of weapons in violent victimization. [Click here to download](#).

New Support Group for Native Women Survivors of Sexual Assault

The Indigenous Women's Life Net (IWLN) provides cultural support, guidance, education, and healing to Native American women who are victims of sexual assault. The support group, which meets in Minneapolis, will meet December 1, 2016 through February 16, 2017. [Click here for the support group flyer](#) and [here for a brochure about IWLN](#).

Upcoming Trainings & Webinars

Improving Community Policing with Intelligence Led Public Safety

Sponsored by the National Criminal Justice Association

Webinar | November 2, 2016 | 2:00-3:00 pm

With ever-changing technology in public safety, how does your agency manage its data and the data coming in from the community? Join speakers from Motorola Solutions on this webinar to discover how your agency's data, combined with community engagement, can improve the safety of your city by using Intelligence Public Safety Solutions. [Learn more](#).

RiskAssessment in Batterer Intervention

Sponsored by the Battered Women's Justice Project

Webinar | November 8, 2016 | 2:00-3:30 pm

Coloradodomestic violence treatment standards have been revised to provide fordifferentiated treatment intensities, based on risks and needs. This workshopwill explain the development and use of the Domestic Violence Risk and NeedsAssessment (DVRNA) a tool employed by practitioners in Colorado to determine towhat level of treatment an offender should be assigned. Presented by A. Mervyn Davies, M.A., Davies & Associates, Greeley, CO. [Learn more](#).

The Trafficking of Native Women in Minnesota

Sponsored by Dodge, Fillmore, and Olmsted County Victim Services

In-Person | November 7, 2016 | 6:30 pm | Rochester Public Library Auditorium, Rochester

Presented by Christine Stark. Social work CEUs available. [Learn more](#).

Is Your Nonprofit Prepared for the New Overtime Rules?

Presented by the Minnesota Council of Nonprofits

In-Person | November 9, 2016 | 10 am to noon | Northwest Area Foundation, St. Paul

Cost: \$15 for MCN members / \$30 for nonmembers

Join MCN as we host speakers from the U.S. Department of Labor and Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. for Overtime Rules and Nonprofit Compliance. We'll spend the morning discussing the new overtime rules, dig into some of the common issues for nonprofit compliance and examine typical violations that you'll want to avoid. Then, we'll explore implementation challenges and strategies for nonprofits to comply in a timely manner.

[Learn more](#).

Advanced Motivational Interviewing in Community and Forensic Settings

Sponsored by the American Institute for the Advancement of Forensic Studies
In-Person | December 9, 2016 | 8:30am to 4:00pm | Mall of America, Bloomington
Cost: \$85
[Learn more](#)

Street Gangs and Violent Extremism: Causes, Consequences, and Solutions
In-Person | January 27, 2017 | 8:30am to 4:00pm
Location: Mall of America
Cost: \$85
[Learn more](#)

If you have a training or webinar to submit for inclusion in the MAC newsletter, please email the following to Danielle Kluz at danielle@mnallianceoncrime.org:

- Training title
- Sponsoring agency/organization
- Date and time
- Location
- Names of trainers
- Cost
- Brief description of training
- How to register (web link preferred, will accept attachments)

Upcoming Events

Breaking Free 20th Anniversary Gala | November 5, 2016 from 7:00 to 11:00 pm | Minnesota History Center, St. Paul

Join Breaking Free to celebrate its 20th anniversary with dinner, musical entertainment, and keynote speaker Gail Dines, professor of sociology and women's studies at Wheelock College in Boston. Gail is an internationally acclaimed speaker, author, and a feminist public intellectual. Her writing and lectures focus on the hypersexualization of the culture and the ways that porn images filter down into mainstream pop culture. The event will also feature a farewell address from Breaking Free founder Vednita Carter. [More information here.](#)

MADD Candlelight Vigil of Remembrance and Hope | November 6, 2016 at 3:00 pm | Christ Lutheran Church, Blaine

The Mothers Against Drunk Driving Candlelight Vigil will remember victims and survivors of impaired driving crashes, and will help keep a light of hope burning by lighting candles in their honor. [More information here.](#)

Race in a Cold Place | November 6, 2016 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm | Mitchell Hamline School of Law, St. Paul

Please join us for a conversation with former Minneapolis Mayor Sharon Sayles Belton. This will be the second in a series of conversations at Mitchell Hamline exploring the African-American experience in Minnesota. [More information here.](#)

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Appellate Court News

[Please click for the latest news from the Appellate Court.](#)

Employment Opportunities

[Click for the latest employment opportunities around Minnesota.](#)

If you have job postings you would like us to include in our monthly newsletter please include the following information and email to Danielle Kluz at danielle@mnallianceoncrime.org.

- Location
- Job title
- Organization name
- Link to organization's website
- Link to the job posting
- Closing date

Contact Us

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

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