Happy Fall?

Technically, it is still summer, but now that we are in the ‘ber’ months, it’s hard to ignore that fall is imminent and we need to soak in the warm sunny days.

MAC staff is busy putting the final touches on the agenda for the Annual Membership Meeting and Capacity Building Trainings. There is still time to register and we hope you all will be in attendance as we talk about important work that has been completed in the past year and the work that awaits us in the year to come. Register here! If you haven’t renewed your annual membership, please do so today. We want to ensure your program is included as a voting member at the annual meeting and can vote on issues pertaining to MAC’s work and governance. Renew online here! Or email kim@mnallianceoncrime.org

I am very excited that Naaima Khan with Create Good will be joining us for the annual meeting and will be sharing information regarding the strategic planning process that we will begin in November. She will be highlighting how she will be engaging MAC members and allies throughout the process.

The Capacity Building Trainings will all focus on and reinforce information presented in our FY22 book club pick, *The Body Keeps the Score*. If you have read the book along with MAC staff, you know how helpful the information is to better understanding and supporting crime victims you are working with. If you haven’t had the chance to read the book, it’s ok. Plan to join us for the book club debrief as it will provide you with a wealth of information and perspective. The documentary, *Paper Tigers*, will shine a light on what juveniles who have experience adverse childhood experiences really want and need from those who
work to support them. Finally, Jane Straub from Cornerhouse, is an excellent trainer who will speak from her experiences working with youth whose lives have been affected by traumatic experiences.

Also, whether attending the Annual Meeting or Capacity Building Training or not, consider registering for and browsing our online silent auction here. Registration Opens today and bidding starts September 8th and ends on September 11th. It is a chance to support the work of MAC and splurge on a little something for yourself!

I am excited to see you all, virtually, and connect about the important work that MAC is investing in to ensure we can support all of you in the ways that are most beneficial to all of you!

In Peace,

Bobbi

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.

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

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Annual Membership Meeting and Capacity Building Training

September 8-9th, 2022
The Minnesota Alliance on Crime's

2022 ANNUAL MEETING
AND CAPACITY
BUILDING TRAINING

September 8th and 9th, 2022
A Virtual Event

THURSDAY

9AM 9:00AM-12:00PM
Annual Member Meeting
Learn more about the work MAC is doing and provide feedback. Members will also vote on bylaws and Board of Director's candidates

1PM 1:00PM-2:30PM
Book Club Discussion
A facilitated discussion of the book: The Body Keeps the Score by Bessel van der Kolk, MD. Discussion will focus on chapters 5, 7 through 14, and the epilogue

FRIDAY

9AM 9:00AM-11:30AM
Screening of Paper Tigers
A virtual screening of the documentary film Paper Tigers, followed by a facilitated discussion of the film

1PM 1:00PM-2:30PM
Presentation by Jane Straub
A presentation by Jane Straub about Adverse Childhood Experiences and tools to employ when working with victims who have trauma histories

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Register here!

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Register Now for MAC's Second Annual Online Auction!

Help MAC raise funds and win cool prizes through our Second Annual Online Auction!

MAC is holding our second online Silent Auction for our 2022 Annual Meeting through GalaBid. **We recommend registering TODAY (or as soon as possible)** to make sure you have access and can begin browsing our items for this year. We have a lot of great packages this year: from a Total Wine Private Wine Class for 20, to a boat tour of Lake Waconia with Bobbi and $100 gift card for dinner at Lola's Lakehouse, three 60 minute pilates sessions with a certified instructor, to jewelry, artwork, caribou coffee packages, and designer clothing! There may be additional items added after opening so be sure to check back in regularly to be the first to bid on great items that benefit MAC! If ever there was a time to splurge--the time is next week!

**You do NOT need to participate in the Annual Meeting or Capacity Building Training to bid in the Silent Auction!**

**Our Silent Auction will be open for bids at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 8 and close Sunday, September 11 at 5:00 p.m.**

You will be notified by GalaBid of any items you have won. Your notification will include an invoice, and how to pay. Staff will follow up individually with winners to discuss pickup of items. For more information contact **Amee@mnallianceoncrime.org**
Register for the online Auction Here
Go to: https://app.galabid.com/2022macsilentauction
Click on the ‘Register’ button
Follow the instructions to complete registration.

Register Via text:
Text: 2022macsilentauction and then Firstname Lastname:
To +15415834642
Example: 2022macsilentauction John Smith
Follow the registration link you are sent by text from GalaBid.

news from the field

National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS) Virtual Library, Abstracts Database provides an electronic listing of and access to the more than 230,000 justice publications housed in the NCJRS Virtual Library, including: federal, state, and local government reports; books; research reports; journal articles; grant documents; and unpublished research on a wide range of criminal and juvenile justice topics. New additions notifications sign up here.

Native American Women & Incarceration in Minnesota, a report from the MN Department of Corrections, Violence Free Minnesota, Minnesota Indian Women’s Sexual Assault Coalition, and North West Indian Community Development Center. In the report, Native American women who were incarcerated at MN Correctional Facility were interviewed to better understand the connections between their experiences with domestic and sexual violence and their involvement with the criminal legal system. This report summarizes the information gained through those interviews and provides recommendations to better respond to the needs of justice-involved Native American women and hopefully to prevent future victimization.

The Resource Sharing Project has created a 12-episode video podcast series on adult survivors of child sexual abuse. Building Resilience: Conversations with and about Adult Survivors of Child Sexual Abuse is designed to help you better understand the ways that childhood sexual abuse continues to affect survivors in adulthood and how you can help. Episodes will be released weekly and the first episode drops on Monday, August 29. Additional information about Building Resilience can be found here.

If you are a professional working with children who have experienced sex trafficking, you are invited to take part in a research study “Socio-Ecological Model for Guiding Secondary Traumatic Stress (STS) in Professionals working with Children who have Experienced Sex Trafficking.” The purpose of this research is to better understand what contributes to STS to better support and sustain the workforce. The data for this project will be collected from a one-time online survey. Items will include symptoms of secondary traumatic stress, moral distress, burnout, compassion satisfaction, posttraumatic maladaptive beliefs, adverse childhood experiences, and coping measures. The survey will take approximately 20 minutes of your time. The first 100 participants will have the option of providing email information to receive a $20 egift card. In case there is an issue with the link copy and paste this: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/STSProfessionals

In their Justice Today podcast from OJP, Stacy Lee Reynolds and Christine (Tina) Crossland continue their discussion of tribal crime, justice, and safety, including how Native American persons experience crime victimization at higher rates than non-Native people and the jurisdictional complexities in responding to tribal crime, justice, and safety. Tribal Crime, Justice, and Safety (Part Two).

The National Institute of Corrections, in collaboration with the National Criminal Justice Association, is pleased to announce the launch of a new microsite for elected and appointed executive-level policymakers responsible for public safety and criminal justice. Titled “Guidelines for Developing a Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC),” the microsite defines and outlines steps and resources for creating a CJCC. When used strategically, these councils can help jurisdictions address justice system inefficiencies, crime, service gaps, and targets for local criminal justice reform.” More information.
Two resources you may have missed for working with victims with disabilities from *End Abuse of People With Disabilities*:

- **Just Ask: A Toolkit to Help Advocates, Attorneys, and Law Enforcement Meet the Needs of Crime Victims with Disabilities.** The toolkit lays out four simple steps for providing accommodations to survivors with disabilities and includes sample language you can use when talking to survivors.

- **Supporting Crime Victims with Disabilities Online Training Toolkit.** The toolkit provides comprehensive and culturally responsive resources, tools, videos, and examples of best practices for law enforcement, forensic interviewers, victim advocates, and others to effectively respond to victims of crime with disabilities across the lifespan.

**National Crime Victim Law Institute's (NCVLI)** signature annual fundraiser brings the national victims’ rights community together to celebrate achievements in victims’ rights enforcement and envision the future of this emerging field. Voices for Justice inspires the heart and imagination of our victims’ rights community. [More information and registration.](#)

The National Network to End Domestic Violence wants you to remember October is [Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM)].

**The Office for Victims of Crime (OVC)** is excited to announce that the 2023 National Crime Victims’ Rights Week (NCVRW) will be commemorated [April 23–29, 2023].

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**upcoming MAC trainings and webinars**

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**Working with LGBTQ Members of the Hmong Community**

Presented by Xay Yang and Seng Xiong from Transforming Generations

**Wednesday, September 28**

10am-11:30am

[Register Now!](#)

The Minnesota Alliance on Crime hosts Transforming Generations, an advocacy organization that aims to organize, educate, and transform cultural and power dynamics to end gender-based violence with services that are culturally relevant to the Hmong community. Presenters Xay Yang and Seng Xiong will discuss resources, dos and don’ts, and provide a framework for working with LGBTQ+ survivors of the Hmong Community.

**Wednesday September 28, 2022**

10 am to 11:30 am
The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention's (OJJDP) National Training and Technical Assistance Center (NTTAC), in conjunction with Zero Abuse Project, is pleased to announce an upcoming webinar which will explore leading causes of child deaths, with focus on age and demographics. The webinar will discuss evidence collection and preservation, resources, medical examiner roles, investigative steps, and legal issues and prosecution. It will also discuss considerations for evidence and scene preservation in child abuse cases that have the potential to become death investigations, and the value of Multi-Disciplinary Teams in these difficult cases. More information and registration.

Intro to Strategies for Trauma Awareness & Resilience hosted by The Minnesota Peacebuilding Leadership Institute Tue, September 6, 2022 from 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM CDT. Intro to STAR teaches basic vocabulary and concepts to be trauma-informed, resilience-oriented, and restorative justice-focused to build culturally competent peace into our lives and communities with justice for all. Because this training names and provides examples of the various types of individual and collective trauma, some people choose to take our Intro to Self-Care for Resilience Training first. More information and registration.

Violence Free Minnesota presents: JUSTICE-INVOLVED SERIES: SPOTLIGHT ON MINNESOTA with Melissa Petrangello Scaia, MPAGlobal Rights for Women September 6 from 12-1 pm. Most victims of coercive-controlling violence and abuse are not passive when being physically, psychologically, or sexually attacked. Instead, as part of their efforts to cope and survive, many of victims resist their assailants by fighting back. Sometimes this resistance involves the use of violence; sometimes that violence is legal and sometimes it is not. Melissa Petrangello Scaia conducted research in Minnesota to better understand the resistance used by survivors and the impact on them when they were arrested and convicted. She will discuss this research and effective Coordinated Community Responses (CCR) to address victims’ resistive use of violence. Register here.

The National Center for Victims of Crime is offering: Exploring the Intersections between Human Trafficking and Missing or Murdered Indigenous People. Thursday, September 8, 2022 from 3:00 to 4:15 p.m. Eastern Time. Human trafficking harms the body and spirit. Learn about the connection between human trafficking and Missing or Murdered Indigenous People (MMIP). Join American Indian and Alaska Native panelists as they offer insight and answer participant questions on the possible intersection between MMIP and human trafficking, provide resources for addressing the MMIP crisis, and share actionable steps for involving the community. More information and registration.

The Minnesota Victim Assistance Academy (MNVAA) is a series of comprehensive, academically based trainings to build the capacity of victim assistance providers, victim advocates, law enforcement, criminal justice and other professionals who work with victims of crime. The MNVAA has three training tracks, with the first track being offered this fall. Check this page for more details as they develop. Applications are being accepted now through September 9, 2022. Find it here. For more information about the Minnesota Victim Assistance Academy, contact Joann Jones at 651-201-7318 or Joann.Jones@state.mn.us

The Office on Trafficking in Persons (OTIP), through the National Human Trafficking Training and Technical Assistance Center (NHTTAC), is excited to deliver a virtual pilot of our new SOAR training designed for providers who serve children and youth who have increased risk factors for human trafficking or who have experienced trafficking but may not be well-versed in partnering with the child welfare system on this issue. This 1.5-hour pilot will equip providers with the information and resources they need to support children and youth who are or may become involved with the child welfare system. Monday, September 12, 2022 from 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. (Eastern). More information and registration.

The Bureau of Justice Assistance presents: Implementing Community Based Violence Intervention Strategies five-part webinar series will highlight a wide range of issues important to successfully implementing Community Violence Intervention (CVI)
strategies. Using the Bureau of Justice Assistance CVI Checklist as a framework, the series will walk through the stages of planning and implementing of CVI strategies, and take a deeper dive into opportunities and challenges that jurisdictions face as they implement these strategies in their communities. The webinar series will be hosted on the second Wednesday of each month from September 2022 to January 2023, from 1-3 p.m. ET. The webinars will be recorded and will be made available. More information and registration.

First Witness ChildFirst® Forensic Interview Training. 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 the ChildFirst® Forensic Interview Protocol which includes 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. This training will be held in person in Duluth, MN September 12-16. More information and registration.

Survivors Speak 2022 (Sept 16-17) hosted by the National Center for Victims of Crime. Get ready for two days of healing, networking, and inspiring panel discussions from crime survivors! We will celebrate our Survivors Speak 2022 advocacy efforts, share exciting announcements about our new Member Support Program, launch the 2022 Heal The Vote campaign, and kickoff Survivors Speak 2023! More information and registration.

Doing Our Own Work: Personal and Professional Anti-Racism, a cohort-based, three-part training starting September 20th from the Minnesota Council of Nonprofits. They will bring together leaders who are ready for a deep dive into their own personal anti-racism ideals as well as how they are combating racism in their work/community spaces. More information and registration.

Safety Net Project at the National Network to End Domestic Violence is excited to announce another webinar on Tech Misuse and Safety Planning. This foundational webinar will focus on how technology increasingly affects the lives of survivors and how it can have a significant impact on their lives. We will discuss emerging technologies that abusers misuse that pose a challenge for victim safety, privacy, and confidentiality. This training will look at how perpetrators misuse technology as another tool to stalk, abuse, and further control victims. We will also identify strategies for basic safety planning around technology risks and privacy while focusing on how to empower survivors around tech. Wednesday, September 21, 2022 from 1pm-2:30pm Eastern. More information and registration.

Violence Free Minnesota presents: JUSTICE-INVOLVED SERIES: SPOTLIGHT ON MINNESOTA with Kissy Coakley September 22 from 1-2 pm. Join VFMN for a conversation with Kissy Coakley, Executive Director of Kissy’s Stay Put Services (KSP). She will speak with us about who is the ideal client for KSP, the collateral consequences of a criminal record from domestic violence, implications for the child protection system, and how DV agencies can support women who have been charged with domestic violence. Register here.

The Office of Justice Programs presents: Crime Victim Rights: The basics and beyond: A free, virtual training opportunity! Wednesday, September 28, 2022 from 1:30 - 3:00 PM. Join OJP for a virtual workshop on Minnesota’s statutory crime victim rights. Suzanne Elwell from the Crime Victim Justice Unit will outline the primary categories of victim rights, identify the responsibilities of criminal justice professionals in upholding those rights, and highlight the role of both community-based and prosecutor-based advocates in ensuring crime victim rights are upheld and the importance of good practices to prevent victim rights violations. More information and registration.

The National Training Institute October 6-8, 2022 in St Louis, MO. Every year, through workshops and plenaries, NTI train crime responders to be victim-centered, culturally competent, and trauma-informed. This conference is open to service providers, law enforcement, policymakers, educators, healthcare providers, community leaders, and other allied professionals. Through workshops on a wide range of topics, attendees examine the impact of crime on communities and find new ways to work together toward a safer, more compassionate future. More information and registration.

Women’s Advocates is excited to offer our second Online Survivor Support Group. This group may be for you if you have experienced sexual and/or domestic violence and if you are looking for a collective, welcoming space to connect with yourself and with others as you continue on your healing journey. This is not a therapy group, it is a peer support group where the facilitators will bring various topics (boundaries, healthy communication, trust, safety) to the group and create a space for all group members to learn from each other. This Online
Survivor Support Group is a series of ten 90-minute sessions every Wednesday with the first session being on October 12th and the last session being on December 14th. The support groups will take place from 6:30pm-8:00pm Central US Time (CST) on Zoom for the duration of the group. Our intention is for group members to attend all ten sessions to the best of their ability. More information and registration.

Esperanza United's Latinas Represent's summit featuring Latina community leaders, politicians, and businesswomen, taking place on Saturday, October 8th from 9:00 a.m. to 4 p.m. ET. The summit consists of a series of conversations about culture, the state of Latinas in politics, colorism, mobilizing our communities, political identity, and more. More information and registration.

The MN Justice Research Center's annual Re-Imagining Justice conference brings together practitioners, legal experts, scholars, and advocates to re-imagine a criminal legal system that functions more effectively, humanely, and with the public's trust. This year our theme is Building Bridges – Seeking Solutions and we will center powerful conversations seeking to understand – and find new solutions for – community safety, procedural justice, and justice beyond bars, to help continue to forge the path towards transforming our criminal legal system. The conference will be held on November 16th (Wed.) and 17th (Thurs.) with an in-person evening keynote and networking on Wednesday and virtual keynotes, plenaries, and breakout sessions on Thursday. More information here.

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**job opportunities**

**Job Openings from our members and partners:**

**Community-University Health Care Center - CUHCC Clinic:**

- Integrated Care Specialist: [https://hr.myu.umn.edu/jobs/ext/349186](https://hr.myu.umn.edu/jobs/ext/349186)
- ARMHS Worker: [https://hr.myu.umn.edu/jobs/ext/347844](https://hr.myu.umn.edu/jobs/ext/347844)
- Targeted Mental Health Case Manager: [https://hr.myu.umn.edu/jobs/ext/350693](https://hr.myu.umn.edu/jobs/ext/350693)
- Victim Advocate: [https://hr.myu.umn.edu/jobs/ext/350692](https://hr.myu.umn.edu/jobs/ext/350692)

**Standpoint:**

- Legal Advocate: [https://www.standpointmn.org/job-opportunities](https://www.standpointmn.org/job-opportunities)
- Fund Development & Communications Manager: [https://www.standpointmn.org/job-opportunities](https://www.standpointmn.org/job-opportunities)

**MN Office of Justice Programs:**


**MN Elder Justice Center:**

- Staff Attorney Position: [https://jobs.mnnonprofits.org/job/staff-attorney-st-paul-minnesota-72288](https://jobs.mnnonprofits.org/job/staff-attorney-st-paul-minnesota-72288)
As always, if you have any suggestions for MAC, we welcome your input!

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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/