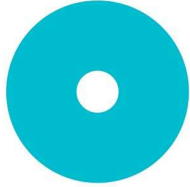




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No More Crimes of Power and Control Conference

On September 20-21, the Nebraska Coalition partnered with the Nebraska State Patrol to provide the No More Crimes of Power and Control conference. Attended by 260 people, this year's conference included a strong focus on addressing racism and other forms of oppression as we work to support victims and survivors.

Here's what participants had to say about the conference...

The conference was held during my first week and I feel so lucky to have been able to get all of this new information just as I'm starting my new position in prevention and community education!

-domestic violence/sexual assault advocate

Conference was one of the best I have attending [sic] in a long time.

-mental health professional

This conference forced me to think about the bigger picture, which is extremely important in our line of work.

-law enforcement personnel

Because of this conference I now know more about what to look for and expect in technology cases and can better guide survivors through this process. The speakers also really reinforced the fact that just because a relationship is not physical does not mean that it is not dangerous.

-domestic violence/sexual assault advocate

(I will) Keep the intersections of oppression at the forefront of the work I do. Not assume that I "know" what someone needs when they come in for services.

-correctional services personnel

(The three most important things I learned were:) 1. Bias occurs every day unconsciously and we must make a conscious effort to combat it. Be a part of the solution and not the problem. 2. More can be accomplished when effectively working as a team. The education and criminal justice systems, law enforcement, courts, probation, advocates, etc. - we all must work together in order to find solutions to domestic violence issues. 3. We often think of domestic violence as physical abuse, but emotional, psychological, and spiritual abuse can be even more damaging. It is easy to lose sight of that when you yourself have not been involved in a domestic abuse situation.

-law enforcement personnel

Annual Advocacy Awards



The Nebraska Coalition is pleased to announce the winners of this year's advocacy awards! The recipients were honored at the Fabulous Forty Reception and Awards Ceremony during the No More Crimes of Power and Control conference in September.

Domestic Violence Advocate of the Year: **Andrea Rodriguez**, Ponca Tribe
Sexual Assault Advocate of the Year: **Porscha Howard**, Women's Center for Advancement
Prevention Advocate of the Year: **Courtney Haywood**, DOVES Program
Community Partner Award: **Officer Eric Fischer**, UNL Police Department
Above and Beyond Award: **Frances HOLETON**, Catholic Charities - Omaha

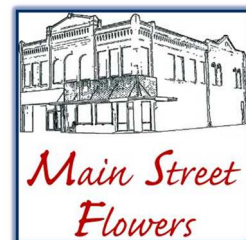


Pictured left to right: Eric Fischer, Porscha Howard, Frances HOLETON, Andrea Rodriguez, Courtney Haywood.

The Nebraska Coalition gratefully acknowledges the support of our sponsors for the Fabulous Forty Reception and Awards Ceremony.



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What's New at the Coalition

Staff Member Receives Department of Justice Accreditation



Claudia Fullerton, Bilingual Legal Advocate, recently received notice that she has been awarded partial accreditation from the Department of Justice! Now Claudia may work directly with victims who are seeking immigration relief options such as VAWA (Violence Against Women Act) self-petitions, U visas, and T visas. Claudia's accreditation is for cases with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

Claudia joined the Coalition in December 2016 and has provided bilingual support to survivors who are immigrants, in conjunction with other Coalition staff who are attorneys. Due to the specialized training she received, Claudia will now be able to provide additional services with attorney oversight and guidance.

Congratulations, Claudia!

Coalition Staff Present at State and National Conferences

In September **Michelle Zinke**, Training and Resource Coordinator, provided both an intensive four hour session and a 90 minute workshop at the annual conference of the National Association of Social Workers - Nebraska Chapter. The intensive session focused on housing, homelessness, and domestic and sexual violence and included co-presenters Charles Coley from the Metro Area Continuum of Care for the Homeless (MACCH) and Monica Zinke from Fresh Start, a transitional shelter for adult women who are homeless.

This training team also provided a workshop on housing, homelessness, and domestic and sexual violence at the National Sexual Assault Conference (NSAC), held in June in Dallas, Texas.

Board Member Recognized for Years of Service

After 28 years with the Nebraska State Patrol, **Monica Bartling-Shambaugh** recently retired. Monica has served on the Board of Directors of the Nebraska Coalition since 2015.

Monica lives in the Gering area and brings both her knowledge of law enforcement and of western Nebraska to the Board of Directors. As an investigator with the Nebraska State Patrol, Monica assisted with the creation of the CAPstone Child Advocacy Center in Gering and was involved with numerous other community projects.

When the Nebraska State Patrol was working to revise its mission statement, she submitted a suggestion that was later selected, "The Nebraska State Patrol shall provide law enforcement of the highest quality to ensure a safe and secure Nebraska." (Source: Nebraska State Patrol Major Mike Gaudreault, as quoted by the Star Herald, http://www.starherald.com/news/local_news/nebraska-state-patrol-lieutenant-retires-after-years/article_865404e1-cd4f-5721-8386-2d25196f618b.html)

Although she has retired, Monica will continue to serve on the Board of Directors of the Nebraska Coalition.



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Mark Your Calendar

October 2017 - Domestic Violence Awareness Month

- 17-19 *Fundamentals of Advocacy Part I*, North Platte, Nebraska Coalition, 402-476-6256
- 25 *Webinar: Intersection of HIV, AIDS, Domestic and Sexual Violence*, YOUR DESK, Nebraska Coalition and Nebraska AIDS Project, 402-476-6256
- 26 *Legal Advocacy*, Grand Island, Nebraska Coalition, 402-476-6256

November 2017

- 7 *Taking the World by Norms*, Grand Island, Nebraska Coalition, 402-476-6256
- 14-16 *Fundamentals of Advocacy Part II*, North Platte, Nebraska Coalition, 402-476-6256
- 28 *Diversity and Inclusion*, Lincoln, Nebraska Coalition, 402-476-6256
- 29 *Webinar: Self-Care*, YOUR DESK, Nebraska Coalition, 402-476-6256
- 29-30 *Directors Days*, Lincoln, Nebraska Coalition, 402-476-6256

December 2017

- 13 *Webinar: Nebraska's Sexual Assault Exam Payment Programs*, YOUR DESK, Nebraska Coalition, 402-476-6256