

Monthly Underserved Grant Newsletter

November 2021

Alliance of Local Service Organizations (ALSO) Underserved Technical Assistance Project

This newsletter from the <u>ALSO Underserved TA Project</u> is designed for Underserved grantees to provide them with regular and concise information including resources, training opportunities, open solicitations, and more.

You can always find more resources on the <u>Underserved TA Tools and</u>
<u>Resources page</u> on ALSO's website or through the <u>Online Private Portal</u> for
OVW Underserved Grantees.

Happy Resource & Opportunity Finding!
-Your Underserved TA Team



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Underserved Grantee Orientation

Each new grantee cohort attends a Grantee Orientation. Orientations are designed to provide relevant information about grant administration and financial management and an introduction to the OVW and TA Provider Teams supporting grantees throughout their grant cycle.

This year, the Grantee Orientation will be virtual and will take place over several dates from

January 11th, 2022 - February 3rd, 2022.

All FY2021 grantee organizations are required to secure the attendance of at least two (2) individuals from their funded project to the virtual Underserved Grantee Orientation hosted by OVW in partnership with ALSO. Please note that for this virtual orientation two (2) participants is the minimum and that we encourage more participants from each grantee organization to attend.



Additionally, new staff that have been hired at grantee organizations whose funding began in a previous cycle can register and join as well.

The orientation's <u>schedule can be found here</u>. For questions about registration, contact the Underserved TA Team at <u>underservedtaproject@also-chicago.org</u>.

Register Here

JustGrants Q&A Sessions and Trainings

JustGrants hosts live Q&A sessions and training for grantees to attend. For more direct support on the JustGrants system, you can check out the trainings page on the JustGrants website. Be sure to check this page regularly as it gets updated with new training dates.

You can find the JustGrants training page here.

OVW Corner



Image Description: OVW Program Manager Kara Moller sitting at her desk in front of a cubicle wall that has numerous rainbow posters, the Star of David, the star and crescent symbol, a sign that reads "ALL Are Welcome Here" and other posters.

Congratulations and welcome FY 2021 OVW Underserved Program Grantees. Please join me in welcoming your FY 2021 cohort:

<u>Organization</u> <u>Type</u> <u>State</u>

Cornerstone Advocacy Service	Disability/Deaf	Minnesota
Deaf Overcoming Violence Through Empowerment	Deaf	Colorado
Equitas Health	LGBT	Ohio
Greater Washington Jewish Coalition Against Domestic Abuse	Religious Minority - Jewish	Maryland
ICNA Relief USA Programs	Religious Minority - Muslim	New York
LA LGBT Center	LGBT	California
LGBT Community Center Coalition of Pennsylvania	LGBT	Pennsylvania
Milwaukee Lesbian/Gay/ Bisexual/ Transgender Community Center	LGBT	Wisconsin
The Northwest Network of Bisexual, Trans, Lesbian and Gay Survivors of Abuse	LGBT	Washington
Rahama	Religious Minority - Muslim	New York
Turning Point for Women and Families	Religious Minority - Muslim	New York

Patchwork Podcast

OVW Program Specialist for the Children and Youth and the Engaging Men and Boys programs, Kellie Greene, joined the podcast Patchwork to share how her program seeks to engage children and men as allies in ending gender-based violence.

As she puts it, the children of today will grow to become our future policy-makers, CEOs, and teachers, so educating them about the foundations of healthy relationships now will be instrumental in ending gender-based violence as they grow into their roles as future leaders.

Listen to the podcast here

Non-Underserved TA Sponsored Webinars & Conferences

Transformative Justice in the Lives of Survivors with Disabilities & Deaf Survivors

Host: The National Center on Ending Abuse of People with Disabilities

Date: Thursday, November 18

Time: 11:00 am PT / 12:00 pm MT / 1:00 pm CT / 2:00 pm ET

With high rates of victimization and incarceration, people with disabilities have an elevated likelihood of having contact with the criminal legal system in their lifetime. However, due to lack of accessibility, unexamined biases - conscious and unconscious - that exist in the criminal legal system, and an overall fear of system involvement, people with disabilities, specifically Black, Indigenous, people with disabilities, are seeking alternatives to healing and accountability.

Register Here

Building and Managing Volunteer Programs

Host: Office for Victims of Crime

Date: Monday, November 29 – Thursday, December 16 Time: 8:30 am PT / 9:30 am MT / 10:30 am CT / 11:30 am ET

Volunteers bring a passion to victim service organizations, and their mindful management can be a key strategy in extending an organization's mission and scope of services. This 3-week course will focus on the importance of volunteers; how to recruit, screen, onboard, and retain them; and how to determine the costs associated with managing volunteers. The training is designed for current or aspiring volunteer managers.

Register Here

Thank U For Coming Out - Engaging LGBTQ+ Communities in Creative Primary Violence Prevention Projects

Host: Washington Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs

Previously Recorded

Utilizing creative and concrete tools in this fun and interactive workshop by Queery, participants can enhance their school-based and organizational primary violence prevention projects. Although Queery's art-based education programs are designed by and for the LGBTQ+ BIPOC communities, the underlying concepts can be used across a variety of violence prevention platforms.

Watch the Recording Here

International Conference on Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, and Reimagining Justice

Host: End Violence Against Women International

Dates: April 19 - 21 2022 Location: San Francisco, CA

This annual conference focuses on sexual assault, intimate partner violence, stalking, human trafficking and elder abuse. EVAWI consistently brings together law enforcement personnel, prosecutors, victim advocates, judges, parole and probation officers, rape crisis workers, health care professionals, faith community members, educators,

researchers and others in this 3-day conference highlighting promising practices and emerging issues to effectively respond to these crimes in all of our communities.

Register Here

Your ALSO TA Team



Image Description: Headshots of Underserved TA Team members arranged over pastel circles and ovals colored orange, blue, purple, pink, and green

From top to bottom: (L-R) Cristina Damiani, Rachel Hastings, (L-R) Topher Williamson, Zarena Leblanc, Lisa Gilmore, (L-R) Quenette Walton, Lori Crowder

Have Questions? We are here to help!

- For technical assistance support related to substantive and programmatic issues: Contact your ALSO Underserved TA point of contact at their individual email or the team at underservedtaproject@also-chicago.org.
- For questions about grant administration: Contact your OVW Program Manager Kara Moller at kara.moller@usdoj.gov.

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