

GRANTS FOR OUTREACH
AND SERVICES TO
UNDERSERVED
POPULATIONS

Monthly Underserved Grant Newsletter
July 2022

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

This newsletter from the [ALSO Underserved TA Project](#) 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 [Underserved TA Tools and Resources page](#) on ALSO's website or through the [Online Private Portal](#) for OVW Underserved Grantees.

Happy Resource & Opportunity Finding!
-Your Underserved TA Team



Safe Homes, Safe Streets.

Underserved TA Hosted Events

Virtual Summer Institute Series



Don't Forget to Register for all 4 sessions of the Summer Institute!

The Underserved Institute is an annual convening of all stakeholders, to increase knowledge, skills, and connections between Grantees, the Underserved TA Team, and Office on Violence Against Women staff. This year, the annual Summer Institute will be replaced by a Virtual Summer Series that will span two days.

Please note that attendance is required for all Underserved grantee organizations at each session.

Registration Links Below!

Date: Tuesday, July 19

Time: Two 90 minutes sessions and one 60 minute lunch break

1st Session: 9am PT/ 10am MT/
11am CT/12 pm ET

[Register Here](#)

Lunch: 10:30 am PT/ 11:30 am MT/
12:30 pm CT/ 1:30 pm ET

2nd Session: 11:30 PT/ 12:30 pm
MT/ 1:30 pm CT/ 2:30 pm ET

[Register Here](#)

Topic: Tenets of survivor-informed planning and what it means in relation to conducting outreach, providing services, and facilitating training sessions, the three main areas of work for Underserved Grantees.

Guest presenter: Erin Tinnon, MSW, LCSW

Date: Wednesday, July 20

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Topic: Applying an equity-focused feedback loop for continuous program evaluation and improvement.

Guest presenter: Dr. Keisha Farmer-Smith, Ph.D.

Announcement

Registration for the National Sexual Assault Conference is now open!

The National Sexual Assault Conference® (NSAC) is an annual conference that brings together more than 1,500 people to share information, advance learning opportunities, and support professional growth to those who work to address the needs of survivors of sexual harassment, assault, and abuse, to raise awareness about these issues, and to prevent them from happening. With the issue of sexual assault garnering more attention than ever before in the last 40 years, this conference takes place at a time when it is necessary to highlight the solutions toward ending sexual violence.

This year's conference, through the theme, "Embracing Intersectionality," seeks to uplift the role we all have in creating safe and equitable communities. PCAR considers racial justice critical to the movement to address and end sexual violence. We will only be successful in ending sexual violence when we examine and dismantle all forms of oppression.

Our 3-day, all virtual event is sure to be a great way to join with peers and colleagues in learning about our roles as advocates and influencers in our communities. With 7 workshop sessions led by various social justice experts and leaders, several exhibits to explore, and opportunities for networking, this will certainly be a conference you don't want to miss. Furthermore, as a benefit to signing up as a participant for NSAC 2022, you will also have access to the recorded sessions! Do not miss out on these important trainings!

Dates: August 17th-August 19th

Time: 7AM- 4PM PT/ 8AM-5PM MT/9AM-6PM CT/10AM-7PM ET

[Register 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.

Reminder: Progress Reports Due July 30th!

If you need any assistance with completing your Progress Reports feel free to use this link below! Feel free to also reach out to us with any questions or concerns.

One-on-One Assistance with Progress Reports:

[Individualized TA for Progress Reports: Underserved Populations Program](#)

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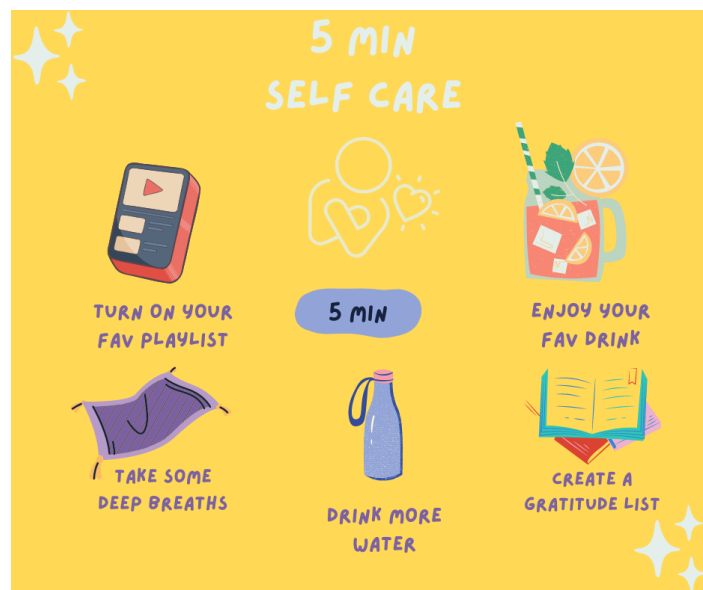
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As a reminder to all grantees, by grant special condition, you are required to be following the most recent version of the [DOJ Financial Guide](#). That means as of now, all grantees must be following this new version.

Check out the OVW Podcast [here](#).

Summer Self-Care!



We know that the summertime can be fun and stressful with events, reporting deadlines, and just maintaining a work-life balance. So, we

wanted to provide information on how to prioritize self-care this season!



Watch this quick video that gives examples on how to start a self-care routine!

Here are a few links to self-care tips to incorporate throughout the workday and outside of work:

- [Creating a Culture of Self-Care in the Workplace](#)
- [9 Simple Ways to Deal With Stress at Work](#)

[Webinars & Conferences from the Field](#)

Rape Crisis Clients Who Trade Sex: Social Context and Competent Services

Host: [New York State Coalition Against Sexual Assault](#)

Dates: July 19th, 2022

Times: 8AM PT/ 9AM MT/ 10AM CT/ 11AM ET

This presentation will provide historical and policy context that informs the way different nonprofits talk about and build services for sex-trading clients, and practical strategies for providing competent services to all sexual violence survivors in the sex trades whether trafficked or consensual.

[Register Here](#)

Culture as a Protective Factor: Centering Black Voices, Leadership, and Community to Support Black Girls Impacted by Sex Trafficking

Host: [Youth Collaboratory](#)

Dates: July 20th, 2022

Times: 9:30 AM PT/ 10:30 AM MT/ 11:30 AM CT/ 12:30 PM ET

In the final session of this Learning Series, "Culture as a Protective Factor: Centering Black Voices, Leadership, and Community to Support Black Girls Impacted by Sex Trafficking," presenters will discuss how organizations can begin combining cultural activities and values with evidence-based practices to promote better outcomes when serving Black girls. Through the elevation of culture in programs, youth are able to feel deep connections to themselves and their communities. Panelists will discuss fundamental principles and effective strategies for engaging mentors, how to conduct specialized outreach, and culturally-responsive approaches that center Black girls impacted by sex trafficking.

[Register Here](#)

Purity Culture and How It Can Affect Faith-Affiliated People Experiencing Abuse

Host: [Safe Havens Interfaith Partnership Against Domestic Violence \(Third Sector New England, Inc.\)](#)

Dates: July 21, 2022

Times: 12 PM PT/ 1 PM MT/ 2 PM CT/ 3 PM ET

The goal of this webcast series is to further strengthen advocates and service providers' knowledge of different aspects of faith and how they may affect clients. The webcasts will also help advocates better understand how to partner with diverse faith-based and cultural communities.

[Register Here](#)

Intermediate/Advanced U Visa Topics

Host: [ASISTA Immigration Assistance](#)

Dates: July 28th, 2022

Times: 11 AM PT / 12 PM MT / 1 PM CT / 2 PM ET

This intermediate/advanced webinar will cover some of the most common topics facing attorneys and advocates working on U visas. Topics will include extending U status and the definition of "victim" for U visa purposes.

[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 underservedta@also-chicago.org.
- For questions about grant administration: Contact your OVW Program Specialist Kara Moller at kara.moller@usdoj.gov.

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