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Monthly Underserved Grant Newsletter

June 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.

Happy Pride Month!



Image description: Ribbon of the Pride flag colors: red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and violet.

June is Pride Month and it celebrates those involved in the Stonewall Riots in 1969, which marked the shift of a huge change in treatment of the LGBTQ+ Community. Celebrating diversity and people's right to live how they choose without discrimination, this month promotes positivity and equal rights for all.

Resources for Pride Month can be found here:

- [FORGE Intimate Partner Violence Resources](#)
- [TheNetwork/LaRed Resources](#)
- [National Center for Transgender Equality Anti-Violence Resources](#)
- [Celebrate Pride Month With Us-Human Rights Campaign](#)
- [LGTBQ+ Pride Resources](#)

Grantee Spotlight for Pride Month

Checkout ways that fellow LGBTQ focused Underserved Grantees are celebrating Pride Month:

- [In Our Own Voices](#)
- [Mazzoni Center](#)
- [MKE LGBT Community Center](#)
- [Anti-Violence Project](#)
- [LA LGBT Center](#)
- [Pride Center of Vermont](#)
- [Equitas Health](#)



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](#)

Underserved TA Hosted Events



Open Forum For Underserved Grantees

Grantee Open Forums are online, interactive sessions provided to increase opportunities for Grantee connection, building community among Underserved Grantees, and time to cultivate mutual support in the current moment in time and culture. These meetings are not recorded, to allow for open and honest discussion between the TA Team and amongst the grantees.

Date: Tuesday, June 28

Time: 11:00 am PT/12:00 pm MT/1:00 pm CT/2:00 pm ET. This event will last up to 60 minutes.

[Register Here](#)

Virtual Summer Series/Institute



Registration for our Summer Institute is Now Open!

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. **Registration Links Below!**

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

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: ALSO Consultant Erin Tinnon

Date: Wednesday, July 20

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

Guest presenter: Dr. Keisha Farmer-Smith



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.

Upcoming Progress Reporting Assistance Webinars | VAWA:

Intro to Progress Reporting

Date: Wednesday, June 29

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

[Register Here](#)

Calculating FTEs

Date: Wednesday, July 6

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

[Register Here](#)

Report it Right: Victim Services

Date: Thursday, July 14

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

[Register Here](#)

Crafting Narratives Webinar: Tell the Stories Behind Your Data

Date: Thursday, June 30

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

[Register Here](#)

Check out: [OVW Open Solicitations](#)

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One-on-One Assistance with Progress Reports:

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

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](#).

[Webinars & Conferences from the Field](#)

Supporting Asian, Asian-American, and Pacific-Islander Victims

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

Dates: Wednesday, June 22nd, 2022

Times: 12PM PT/ 1PM MT/ 2PM CT/ 3PM 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. This series of three webcasts will use a question-and-answer format that will be moderated by Safe Havens staff. Participants will submit question in advance or pose them during the 60-minute webcast. This webcast series for OVW grantees will address three different intersections of faith and abuse: 1) supporting Asian, Asian-American, and Pacific-Islander (AAPI) victims; 2) the basics of conducting outreach to and building relationships with faith communities; and 3) Purity Culture and how it can affect faith-affiliated people experiencing domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, or stalking.

[Register Here](#)

The Intersection of Domestic Violence, Substance Use, & Trauma

Host: [Center for Court Innovation](#)

Dates: June 23rd, 2022

Times: 10AM PT/ 11AM MT/ 12PM CT/ 1PM ET

More and more communities are recognizing the correlation between domestic violence, substance use, and trauma. While it has long been recognized that domestic violence can have significant substance use-related effects, the lack of collaboration between systems often leave survivors and their families without ways to address both safety and recovery needs. This webinar will explore the way domestic violence and trauma can escalate substance use and dependency for survivors, and the impact of substance use on survivor safety and autonomy.

[Register Here](#)

Creating Community: Increasing Access to Services for LGBTQ Survivors Part II

Host: [Alliance for HOPE International](#)

Dates: June 23rd, 2022

Times: 10AM PT/ 11AM MT/ 12PM CT/ 1PM ET

Join the Family Justice Center Alliance and the Family Service of the Piedmont, onsite partners at the Guilford County Family Justice Center, for a two-part webinar series that will discuss the LGBTQ+ community and how to eliminate barriers to service in your organization/Family Justice Center. Part I will cover the importance of identity and labels, plus common abuse tactics and roadblocks that LGBTQ+ survivors may be experiencing. Part II will discuss the intersection of the LGBTQ+ community and sexual violence with strategies for how to be inclusive of all identities in your responses.

[Register Here](#)

Self-Reflection and Racial Justice in Your Work with People Who Cause Harm Through Intimate Partner Violence (Part 2)

Host: [Center for Court Innovation](#)

Dates: June 29th, 2022

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

Survivors and people who cause harm are deeply affected not only by sexism but other types of oppression, including structural and systemic racism. Building on the importance of self-reflection, this webinar will define racial socialization and describe the ways in which racial bias permeates the unconscious of program culture, facilitators, and individuals. Participants will explore the ways in which systems of oppression – particularly racism – unique social dynamics and personal histories, including histories of trauma complicate the transformation process. The webinar will offer strategies for AIPs to integrate ongoing reflection on racial socialization and bias into personal practices and program cultures to create truly holistic interventions.

[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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