



## Announcing Oregon's first annual bike ride to benefit survivors of domestic and sexual violence statewide

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The Oregon Coalition Against Domestic & Sexual Violence (OCADSV) is proud to announce the launch of **Cycle the WAVE Oregon (Women Against Violence Everywhere)**, a fully supported, non-competitive, all-women's cycling event. This bike event is for cisgender and transgender women and girls of all ages and fitness levels to experience camaraderie, increase public awareness about domestic and sexual violence, and raise funds for survivors of domestic and sexual violence across Oregon.

The event is scheduled for July 2017. Participant registration will open in spring 2017, and information about sponsorship opportunities will be available this fall. To receive updates on this groundbreaking event, visit:  
[ocadsv.org/cyclethewave](http://ocadsv.org/cyclethewave)

Proceeds from this event will contribute toward the establishment of **a flexible fund for survivors of abuse across the state**. Community-based non-profit advocacy programs across the state provide critical lifesaving services, empowering survivors to escape danger and abuse, reestablish their self-determination, and navigate the process of healing and seeking justice. This fund would provide a much-needed bridge to defray expenses survivors may incur while escaping abuse.

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### **About the Foundation**

The WAVE (Women Against Violence Everywhere) Foundation is a not-for-profit organization established in 2011 whose mission is to educate, empower and end domestic violence. Built on the idea that strengthening women helps to combat domestic violence, The WAVE Foundation (TWF) raises funds to give hope for those experiencing abuse and raises awareness to promote the social welfare for all individuals and their communities.

### **About the Oregon Coalition Against Domestic & Sexual Violence**

Founded in 1978, the Oregon Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to ending domestic and sexual violence through community awareness, specialized consultation, outreach and public policy efforts. These activities promote recognition of sexual and domestic violence, enhance statewide systemic responses to survivors and their families, and support innovative approaches to preventing domestic and sexual violence.

Our mission promotes equity and social change in order to end violence for all communities. We seek to transform society by engaging diverse voices, supporting the self-determination of survivors and providing leadership for advocacy efforts. Oregon Coalition staff, board members and member agencies serve on multiple statewide committees, task forces and alliances to further our organizational mission.

For more information on The Oregon Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, or to make a tax-deductible donation, visit [www.ocadsv.org](http://www.ocadsv.org).

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