



Oregon Coalition
Against Domestic & Sexual Violence

2022 Annual Conference Workshops and Descriptions

Cultivating a Season of Renewal

Workshop Descriptions

Please note, some sessions have multiple parts through the day, the descriptions for these will be under the first session they occur and will be noted as a 2-part session.

Monday session 1 (10:15- 11:45am)

Housing Innovations for Survivors in Oregon: The Intersection of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault with Homelessness and Housing Affordability

Facilitated by D.Fox (She/Her) Deputy Director, Policy and Practice at the National Network Against Domestic Violence

This presentation will highlight innovative programs and best practices to address the affordable housing crisis in Oregon.

We will discuss the power, agency and dignity that flexible funding and DV Housing First offers survivors as they heal from isolation and abuse; and how to effectively partner with affordable housing developers and engage landlords to offer survivor-specific longer-term housing options.

The workshop will explore program guidance and tools for transforming services; effective housing and victim service provider partnerships, highlighting innovative Oregon housing programs with affordable housing development; Emergency Housing Voucher implementation; rural and culturally specific racial equity focuses; and up to date information on federal and state resources available to support survivors.

We will make time to reflect and build upon the ways victim services and culturally specific programs, in responding to the crisis of the pandemic, have expanded their services, expedited access to housing resources, and become more racially equitable and survivor-centered.

Queering Consent: A Training for Advocates

Facilitated by Gracia Dodds (She/They)

Support Group and Education Coordinator at Sexual Assault Support Services (SASS)

Queering Consent will focus on how queerness can offer new perspectives of consent in sex and relationships, and how identity formation can be used as a tool for sexual liberation and consent consciousness. We will begin by building our understanding of consent and sex in the context of society at-large, and then we'll dive into specifics of how subverting heteronormativity can both improve and give new meaning to sexual interactions.

Assessing Tech abuse: Figuring Out What's Happening with Location Tracking, Stalkerware, and IoT Connected Devices

Facilitated by Toby Shulruff (She/Her)

Technology Safety Project Manager with the Safety Net Project at NNEDV

To effectively work with survivors on safety and privacy planning, we need to be able to identify what is happening with the technology in their lives. Too often, a survivor is only able to tell us that the abuser knows too much or is

constantly aware of where they are. But identifying how they know that is the challenge. In this session, we will discuss a range of scenarios and the important questions and steps that can help narrow in on what is happening, which can dramatically impact the direction of safety and privacy plans and help identify what options are available.

Advocacy at the Margins: Including Micronesian Pacific Islanders in Domestic and Sexual Violence Prevention and Intervention Services (Part 1 of 2)

Facilitated by Louvele “Bella” Borja (She/her/hers)

Advocacy and Development Program Director with Micronesian Islander Community

This interactive workshop is designed to provide service providers with an understanding of the MPI community, who have always only existed at the margins of services. Attendees will learn about different MPI communities and cultures, unique ways violence occurs in these communities, and the main barriers to accessing and receiving services. Attendees will walk away with a better understanding of how to engage and provide services for MPI survivors of violence.

Monday Session 2 (1:00- 2:30pm)

The Revolution (Must) be Funded: The need to expand general ops funding to better support community members (Part 1 of 2)

Facilitated by Lisa Hawash

Associate Professor of Practice & MSW Online Option Coordinator at PSU School of Social Work

This workshop will glean practical experiences from attendees and the current ways funding is secured. From this information, we will build on other ways of generating general operating revenue and the capacity needs to grow revenue. The workshop will utilize collaborative learning and engagement with the facilitator and all attendees - a recognition that in any given space there is immense practical experiences and wisdom of all involved. Strategies such as donor development and utilizing effective grants research will be discussed as well.

Advocacy at the Margins: Including Micronesian Pacific Islanders in Domestic and Sexual Violence Prevention and Intervention Services (Part 2 of 2, description above)

Principals of Coaching

Facilitated by Vanessa Timmons (She/Her), Executive Director AND; Keri Moran Kuhn (She/Her), Associate Director of the Oregon Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence

Description Pending

Uniting Community-Based Agencies and Local Colleges

Facilitated by Erin Ritchie (She/her)

Student Outreach and Advocacy Coordinator at Peace at Home

Advocacy Center, Co-Located at Umpqua Community College

This workshop is intended to be helpful for DV/SA agencies who currently do not have a working relationship or want to improve their relationship with a local college or university. This session would cover options for partnering with a college, (focusing on co-location), student survivors' common needs, information on why a student may not access DV/SA services from a community agency, and the outreach, prevention and education that advocates can do in higher education settings. Barriers students have gaining access to services, and common resources that advocates can connect student survivors to on a campus will also be covered. This workshop will also discuss the importance of having relationships with community colleges and potential programming for them. Additionally, this workshop will talk about creating meaningful relationships with campus departments and employees. Throughout the presentation, there will be poll questions to engage the audience, and towards the end, participants will break up into small groups to discuss next steps for them in improving campus partnerships.

Monday Session 3 (3:00pm-4:30pm)

¿Como Se Dice ___? An Intro Guide for the Bilingual Advocate

Facilitated by Evelin Damian Ramirez (She/Her) Latinx Connection

Coordinator at Sexual Assault Support Services AND;

Selina Portillo Jensen (She/Her) Training Coordinator at Sexual Assault Task Force

In this workshop participants will gain an understanding of common terminology used in advocacy, identify cultural root causes of violence, and discuss cultural considerations when working with Spanish-speaking survivors. This workshop will be facilitated in Spanish for bilingual advocates.

En este taller, les participantes obtendrán una comprensión de la terminología común para apoyantes, identificarán las causas culturales fundamentales de la violencia y conversarán sobre las consideraciones culturales de trabajar con sobrevivientes que hablan español. Este taller se facilitará en español para apoyantes bilingües.

Talking Story About Our Work for Justice, Freedom, and Healing

Facilitated by Valli Kalei Kanuha (She/her) Teaching Professor and

Director of the MSW Program at the University of Washington School of Social Work.

This workshop will provide more in-depth follow-up and “talking story” with Kalei Kanuha about alternative justice/s, culturally-based work, abolition feminisms, and

grounding our work in intersectional perspectives and practice.

The Intersection of Domestic Violence and Reproductive Health: Reproductive Coercion

Facilitated by Erin Fanshier (She/Her) Therapist at Integrative Trauma Treatment Center

With the recent, but not new, attacks on reproductive rights, it is more important than ever to understand the intersections of domestic violence, pregnancy, and reproductive health. Almost 3 million women in the United States experienced rape-related pregnancy in their lifetime, 30% of women who were sexually assaulted by an abusive partner experienced reproductive coercion, and 25% of adolescent females with abusive partner's reported that their partners tried to get them pregnant against their will. As advocates, therapists, providers, and hotline workers we are in the front lines of being able to identify and assist survivors with education, information, resources, and support. While we may be well informed of physical, emotional, and financial forms of abuse, reproductive abuse is an important and complicated form of abuse.

During this workshop I will share information on the definition of reproductive coercion and how it fits into the cycle of abuse, will share how this impacts survivors, and will give opportunities for attendees to identify resources in their area. Workshop will contain a brief introduction to reproductive health, and maternal/perinatal mental health.

Will share how reproductive coercion fits into the cycle of domestic violence, and the power and control wheel. Participants will have the opportunity to identify where they can intervene with their own particular role, as well as identify ways to educate and empower their communities on this important issue, and prevent the ongoing cycle of abuse.

The Revolution (Must) be Funded: the need to expand general ops funding to better support community members (part 2 of 2)
(Description above)

Tuesday Session 1 (10:15-11:45AM)

Real Talk

Facilitated by Nan Stoops

Description Pending

How We Center People Who Have Experienced Violence in Custodial Settings: Next Steps for Oregon

Facilitated by Brianna Ellingson (She/Her) Program Manager at Sexual Assault Resource Center AND;

Carol Schrader (She/Her) National Technical Assistance Senior Attorney at Victim Rights Law Center

The marginalization of those who have experienced domestic and/or sexual violence is disproportionately expressed and inherently oppressive in prisons, jails, and other detention facilities. The intersections of their gender, race, disability, sexuality, class, refugee status, and other identities are particularly relevant to how they end up being incarcerated or detained and their experience of living in a custodial setting. Are we serving them with the same intent and impact as other people who have experienced domestic and/or sexual violence in our communities? What if, instead of aspiring to serve them as well as others, we decided to serve them first and best? If our prevention and intervention work in custodial settings became the core of our work? How would that strengthen our advocacy with all people who have experienced domestic and/or sexual violence? This workshop will allow experienced advocates to renew their commitment and

strengthen their capacity to serve those in custodial settings. Workshop participants will strategize about how we support each other with this work and will identify action items for concrete growth of our statewide response to those in custodial settings, thereby shifting them a bit closer to the center of our practice.

But the Children! Organizing for Inclusive Rural Communities Past and Present (Part 1 of 2)

Facilitated by Emma Ronai-Durning (She/Her) at Rural Organizing Project

Many folks working in the OCADSVA network are experiencing renewed attacks against their work, particularly when it comes to supporting queer-inclusive sex education curriculum, and other prevention work across the community. In this workshop, participants will have a chance to get rooted in the history of anti-queer attacks in Oregon, and reflect on what we can learn from prior movements to apply to what we are seeing today. We will connect the dots across issues to unpack how Right-wing groups are weaponizing children's safety through so-called "Critical Race Theory" and anti-queer attacks to energize their base. And strategize around what we can do as anti-violence advocates and organizers to build people power for inclusive education, and communities that are truly safe and welcoming for everyone. This workshop will be led by the Rural Organizing Project, a multi-racial, multi-issue, statewide grassroots organization in Oregon.

Budgeting for Nonprofits (part 1)

Facilitated by Anthony Petchel (He/Him) AND;

Deborah Steinkopf (She/Her) with Nonprofit Financial Leadership Academy

Many nonprofit leaders are hired for their expertise related to an organization's mission. When it comes to budget planning and financial management, many nonprofit staff members don't have the knowledge they need to understand their organization's financial position and build realistic (and sustainable) budgets. This workshop will review budgeting basics and how to build budgets that reflect your organization's true costs. Knowing how to budget properly will help your organization make a better case to funders and help you prioritize which projects to prioritize for funding on top of your operating costs.

Tuesday Session 2 (1:00- 2:30pm)

Let's Talk about Mental health: Particularly with immigrant and refugee IPV survivors

Facilitated by Yekaterina Kozachuk (She/her) Domestic Violence Advocate at Russian Oregon Social Services (ROSS)

This workshop hopes to contextualize the different barriers that refugee and immigrant survivors face on top of being survivors of IPV. We explore on a deeper level why immigrant and refugee clients are hesitant in receiving mental health support. To offer services to survivors who are refugees or immigrants, we as service providers must be willing to understand the importance of the culture and community our clients come from. We will learn how to talk about mental health that is culturally welcoming to our clients.

Reproductive Advocacy: Supporting survivors post-roe

Facilitated by Gracia Dodds (She/They)

Support Group and Education Coordinator at Sexual Assault Support Services (SASS)

This session will have two parts: one will focus on survivor access to reproductive healthcare at-large, and the other will focus on what advocates ought to consider following the Supreme Court's recent Dobbs v. Jackson decision. We'll begin by thinking about what trauma-informed care looks like and how it can be implemented, then focus on

how medical practices might be able to shift to a more trauma-informed practice. We will focus on advocates' roles in survivor medical advocacy, and how they can encourage a survivor-centered and agency-focused visit. There will be a focus on both sexual assault response (like emergency medical advocacy), as well as other particularly high-activation risk appointments (like pelvic exams). Because advocates can't always accompany survivors in-person, much of this section will act as a "train the trainer" activity. We aim to provide an ample toolkit for advocates to take from, and consequently, provide to survivors. We'll end the section with a conversation regarding intersecting oppressions, especially regarding patients' minimization of pain. The second part will focus on how the Supreme Court's recent decision to overturn *Roe v. Wade* will impact survivors and the work that we do. We'll begin with understanding the relationship between pregnancy and sexual violence, and move into what sexual violence advocates can do to increase survivors' agency before, during, and after pregnancy. We will also discuss control over the body during and after pregnancy, and how to maximize agency when making decisions about their body, and coping with a lack of control over their body, too. Finally, we'll discuss values-neutral language and how to destigmatize abortion when discussing pregnancy with survivors.

Budgeting for Nonprofits (part 2) (Description under Tuesday Session 1)

**But the Children! Organizing for inclusive rural communities
past and present (Part 2) (Description under Tuesday Session
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Tuesday Session 3 (3:00-4:30pm)

A Minor Proposal: Discussing youth rights, power, and consent with prevention education

Facilitated by Nick Guerrero (He/Him) Community-based Programs Manager at Raphael House

There is a strong trend to frame sexual assault prevention, in particular, and parts of sexuality education, in general, around the concept of consent. This, of course, is crucial. However, adultist attitudes all too often inform how we approach our discussions about consent, sex, and sexuality when facilitating workshops for young people. This workshop encourages participants to examine the following: adultism as a general concept, examining historical trends, how an unchecked adultist worldview influences our ideas of youth as well as sex and consent, and how approaching consent from an empowerment and pleasure-positive perspective can serve as both preventative and protective factors within sexual assault prevention.

Paid Leave Oregon: Cultivating economic empowerment through paid family, medical, and safe leave

Facilitated by Michelle Roland Schwartz (She/Her) Outreach and Engagement Manager for Oregon's Paid Leave Program AND; Zaria Flores Marin (She/Her/Ella) Outreach Coordinator for Paid Leave Oregon

Paid leave policies have the potential to strengthen economic support, reduce various forms of abuse and violence, and provide opportunities to empower communities. In 2023, Oregon will implement its first-ever paid leave program. The new Paid Leave Oregon program will allow workers to take paid time off for some of life's most important moments affecting families, health, and safety. This workshop will offer an overview of the Paid Leave Oregon program, with a special highlight on Safe Leave for survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, stalking, and harassment. Join the Paid Leave Oregon team to learn how this program will offer a policy-based approach and resource to improve the response to survivors and prevent violence and abuse in our communities.

The workshop topics areas will cover: paid leave as a strategy to ensure economic empowerment for survivors, paid leave as a prevention strategy, universal and equitable access for historically excluded communities, and administrative technical assistance for executive directors, accountants, bookkeepers, and board members.

The workshop will utilize a mixture of lecture and interactive facilitation.

Reproductive Healthcare Advocacy: Supporting survivors post-Roe (Part 2) (Description available under Tuesday Session 2)

Oregon Advocates' Confidentiality Requirements: The Next Level

Facilitated by Debra Dority (She/Her) State Support Unit (SSU) attorney at Oregon Law Center AND;

Carol Schrader (She/Her) National Technical Assistance Senior Attorney at Victim Rights Law Center

Certified Oregon victim advocates learn the basics of confidentiality, privilege, and mandatory reporting as part of their certification process. However, that training is just the start of learning how to best protect survivors' privacy. This workshop will review key concepts and confidentiality requirements, and then will spend most of the workshop addressing such questions as: How must advocates protect survivor privacy in multidisciplinary settings? How might victim-advocate privilege be waived in the course of legal proceedings? What are the risks when advocates provide interpretation for their clients?