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## NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

### January is Stalking Awareness

**Month:** January 2011 marks the 8 observance of National Stalking Awareness Month (NSAM). Stalking is a devastating form of sexual violence that affects 3.4 million people over the age of 18 each year. Stalking is defined as a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to feel fear. It can include following or spying on someone, showing up at places without a legitimate reason, sending unsolicited emails, making unwanted phone calls, posting information or spreading rumors about the victim on the internet, in a public place or by word of mouth, among other frightening acts.

Because stalking is so common and can be life threatening to victims, the Ohio Alliance to End Sexual Violence encourages you to take part in National Stalking Awareness Month. Fortunately, there are many resources available to you and your organization to educate your community about stalking. Our hope is that through advocacy, awareness and prevention efforts, we can end stalking and sexual violence in all its forms.

Please visit the Ohio Alliance to End Sexual Violence for more information:  
<http://www.oaesv.org>

### Sex Trafficking Prevention Bill Passes

**Congress:** A bill designed to help law enforcement crack down on sex traffickers, sponsored by Senators Ron Wyden (D-OR) and John Cornyn (R-TX) passed both chambers of Congress just before Congress adjourned for the year. The new law creates a six-state pilot program and includes funding for shelters, treatment, counseling, legal aid and education for the victims as well as specialized training, salaries and expenses for law enforcement, prosecutors and social services providers.

Source: <http://www.ncja.org/>

### Northern Border Drug Bill Passes

**Congress:** A bill requiring the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) to develop a counternarcotics strategy for the Northern border passed Congress right before Congress adjourned for 2010. The bill, H.R. 4748, requires ONDCP to clarify federal agency roles for reducing drug trafficking along the Northern border, including through Indian reservations on and near the border.

Source: <http://ncja.informz.net/z/cjUucD9taT0xMDI5NDIxJnA9MSZ1PTc1OTk4NzY1MiZsaT00MzlwNTcx/index.html>

### Holder Holds First Meeting of

**Reentry Council:** Attorney General Holder convened the first meeting of the cabinet-level Reentry Council last week. The group, which includes the secretaries of the Departments of Education, HHS, Agriculture, Interior, HUD, Labor and Veterans Affairs and other senior administration officials, is tasked with finding ways to work across federal agencies in support of reentering offenders and the communities to which they return. In addition to leveraging resources across agencies, the Council seeks to identify evidence-based practices and push through barriers to improve outcomes.

Source: <http://ncja.informz.net/z/cjUucD9taT0xMDI5NDIxJnA9MSZ1PTc1OTk4NzY1MiZsaT00MzlwNTcw/index.html>

## TRAINING/RESOURCES

### Free Grant Writing Seminars:

OCJS is hosting free Grant Writing seminars in 2011. OCJS's grant trainings provide an overview of identifying grant sources, analyzing program objectives, creating a budget, seeking letters of support, and writing proposals. Federal and state grants available

to criminal justice professionals are discussed. Attendees also receive the OCJS publication, *Grant Writing: Identifying and Applying for Funding in a Competitive Market*. Trainings take place on the following dates: Thursday, February 10 and Tuesday, March 22, 2011. All trainings are held from 9 a.m.

to 3:30 p.m. in the Ohio Department of Public Safety's Motorcycle Classroom, located at 1970 W. Broad St., Columbus, on the first floor. To download and print a training registration form, visit: [http://publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/ocjs\\_TrainingForm.pdf](http://publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/ocjs_TrainingForm.pdf)

## TRAINING/RESOURCES CONT.

**Understanding Vicarious Trauma and its Impact on Service Providers Who Work With Traumatized Clients:** Join the Cleveland Rape Crisis Center staff for a yearly in-service to enhance our awareness of how stress and burnout can lead to vicarious trauma when working with traumatized clients. Learn, laugh and breathe with the staff as they open up this training to other mental health and substance abuse professionals in the community.

Presented by L. Claire Campbell MA,AT,PC, NCC. CEUs = 3.0 and the cost is \$25.

**When:** February 17 from 9am - noon.

**Where:** CRCC's new training room - 526 Superior Ave., Suite 1460, Cleveland.

### **Gaining Skills and Competence in Your Group Work with Traumatized Clients:**

This training is designed for mental health and substance abuse professionals who want to feel better equipped when working with survivors of sexual or other traumas in any group setting. The training will provide an overview of evidence-based group trauma models and how to use them in different stages of recovery.

Presented by Kirsti Mouncey, LISW-S, LCDCIII and L. Claire Campbell MA, AT, PC, NCC. CEUs = 12.0 and the cost is \$129.

**When:** February 24 and 25 from 9am - 4:30pm.

**Where:** CRCC's new training room - 526 Superior Ave., Suite 1460, Cleveland.

For more information or to register visit [www.clevelandrapecrisis.org](http://www.clevelandrapecrisis.org) or call our Professional Training Office at 216.619.6194 ext. 104

## GRANTS/FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

### **Legal Assistance for Victims (LAV)**

**Grant Program:** The Legal Assistance for Victims (LAV) Grant Program is intended to increase the availability of civil and criminal legal assistance needed to effectively aid adult and youth victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking who are seeking relief in legal matters arising as a consequence of that abuse or violence.

Criminal legal assistance is limited to criminal matters relating to sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. LAV Grant Program funds may not be used to provide criminal defense services. The LAV Grant Program makes awards to law school clinics, domestic violence victims' programs and shelters, bar associations, rape crisis centers and other sexual assault services programs, private nonprofit entities, Indian Tribal governments and Tribal organizations, Territorial organizations, legal aid or Statewide legal services, and faith and/or community-based legal service providers.

Grant funds may be used to provide direct legal services to victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking in matters arising from abuse or violence and to provide enhanced training for lawyers representing these victims as well as advocates. The objective of the LAV Grant Program is to develop innovative, collaborative projects that provide quality representation to victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

Link to full announcement: <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/docs/lav.pdf>

### **Office of Juvenile Justice and**

**Delinquency Prevention:** The purpose of OJJDP's FY 2011 Field Initiated Research and Evaluation (FIRE) Program is to support methodologically rigorous research and evaluation studies that inform policy and practice consistent with the Department of Justice's mission.

With this solicitation, OJJDP encourages applicants to propose research and evaluation projects related to delinquency prevention; the reduction and control of juvenile delinquency and serious crime committed by juveniles; efforts to prevent recidivism through positive youth development; links between child neglect, victimization, and crime; and juvenile justice system response to issues such as sex crimes committed by juveniles, females in the juvenile justice system, and disproportionate minority contact at points along the juvenile justice system.

**Eligibility:** Applicants are limited to states (including territories), units of local government (including federally-recognized tribal governments, as determined by the Secretary of the Interior and published in the Federal Register), nonprofit and for-profit organizations (including tribal nonprofit and for-profit organizations), and institutions of higher education (including tribal institutions of higher education). For-profit organizations must agree to forgo any profit or management fee.

OJJDP welcomes joint applications from two or more eligible applicants; however, one applicant must be clearly indicated as the primary applicant (for correspondence, award, and financial management purposes) and the others listed as co-applicants.

OJJDP encourages researchers and evaluators in all relevant disciplines to submit applications.

**Deadline:** Registration with Grants.gov is required prior to application submission. **All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on March 7, 2011.**

**Contact Information:** For technical assistance with submitting an application, call the Grants.gov Customer Support Hotline at 1-800-518-4726 or e-mail [support@grants.gov](mailto:support@grants.gov). Grants.gov Support Hotline hours of operation are 24 hours, 7 days a week, except federal holidays.

For assistance with any other requirements of this solicitation, call Karen Bachar, Program Manager, at 202-514-4403 or email her at [karen.bachar@usdoj.gov](mailto:karen.bachar@usdoj.gov) or call Patrick Dunckhorst, Program Manager, at 202-514-4158 or email him at [patrick.dunckhorst@usdoj.gov](mailto:patrick.dunckhorst@usdoj.gov).

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