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Gender-Based Violence Consortium highlights how to prevent domestic violence and raise community awareness during Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

SURVEY

Marketing for the Gender-Based violence Consortium



We invite you to take this survey that will tell us more about the GBVC's communities communication and social media needs. It should take you 4 - 5 minutes to complete.

Thank you for your response!

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RESEARCH

Challenges to Reintegration: **A Qualitative Intrinsic Case-Study of Convicted** **Female Sex Traffickers**

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Limited research focuses on the nature of the lived experiences of women engaged in sex trafficking. This study employed qualitative methods of in-depth structured interviews with 10 convicted sex traffickers (ages 24–56; 100% identifying as female). Participants' lived experiences revealed circumstances that led them to trafficking, specific needs, and the stigmatization they faced after exiting economies tied to trafficking. Inductive analysis yielded three key barriers to reintegration success: limited choice; negative labeling; and unmet physical, emotional, and social needs. These findings enhance understanding of the factors influencing the successful reintegration of convicted female sex traffickers into mainstream society.

Identifying and Responding to the Complex Needs of Domestic Violence Housing Practitioners at the Onset of the COVID-19 Pandemic

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Abstract

The social, financial, and emotional repercussions of the COVID-19 pandemic has left many organizations that support survivors of intimate partner violence questioning how to maintain core services while addressing compounding individual, organizational, and public health issues. Stay-at-home orders and other COVID-19 mitigation strategies have resulted in reduced shelter availability and increased intimate partner violence rates. Coupled with the economic impact of the pandemic, these factors have threatened financial and housing stability. To better understand these challenges and provide immediate support, The National Alliance for Safe Housing (NASH) co-hosted a peer support call to provide a virtual platform for practitioners to ask questions, discuss challenges, and share strategies for quality service provision during the COVID-19 pandemic. Over 800 practitioners from across the United States participated in the NASH call, most of whom were advocates, program directors, and managers. NASH gathered data on practitioners' needs from a brief survey from the registration form analyzed using conventional inductive content analysis. Practitioners' primary concerns were situated within eight questions, which we categorized into four meta-categories: (1) managing residential housing programs; (2) getting survivors materials resources; (3) keeping staff safe; and (4) maintaining organizational operations. The paper concludes with community-grounded and empirically supported practice recommendations aligned with practitioners' expressed needs.

Keywords COVID-19 · Intimate partner violence · Housing · Advocacy · Domestic violence

The rapid spread of SARS-CoV-2 (Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus 2), the etiological agent of the illness known as COVID-19, is one of the most significant public health issues in the twenty-first century (Hartley and Perencevich 2020). Stay-at-home orders and social distancing requirements developed by state and city government officials promote public safety and prevent virus spread by reducing contact among residents. Stay-at-home orders mandate that people across the United States only leave their homes to complete essential activities, such as going to work, receiving crucial medical care, or shopping for food. Social distancing require that citizens stay at least 6 ft away from another person in

outdoor and indoor spaces. At the onset of the implementation of these public health mandates, domestic violence practitioners, scholars, and activists expressed concern that stay-at-home policies would further exacerbate harm for survivors, or those living with intimate partners who sought to maintain power and control through the perpetration of violent tactics (Sharma and Borah 2020). Stay-at-home policies requiring survivors to remain confined in a home with their partners increase the risk of multiple types of abuse. Home confinement also compromises survivors' ability to obtain help from supportive informal social networks, such as family and friends, or formal organizations, such as domestic violence shelters (Hall and Tucker 2020). The policies created to keep the general population safe also exacerbate harm in certain groups, spurring numerous practitioners and researchers to name this interaction between public health mandates and risk for increased violence as a safety paradox (Bradbury-Jones and Isham 2020). Our goals in this paper are to identify the specific needs of domestic violence practitioners negotiating this safety paradox, increasing the understanding of these needs, as well as providing

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2020 Policy and Research Briefing: Field's Needs Heading Into the Pandemic

On the Front Lines of the COVID-19 Pandemic: Occupational Experiences of the Intimate Partner Violence and Sexual Assault Workforce

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Abstract

In the face of increasing risk for intimate partner violence (IPV) and sexual assault during the COVID-19 pandemic, there is an urgent need to understand the experiences of the workforce providing support to survivors, as well as the evolving service delivery methods, shifting safety planning approaches, and occupational stress of frontline workers. We addressed this gap by conducting an online survey of members of IPV and sexual assault workforce using a broad, web-based recruitment strategy. In total, 352 staff from 24 states participated. We collaborated with practitioner networks and anti-violence coalitions to develop the brief survey, which included questions about work and health, safety planning, and stress. We used chi-square, t-test, and ANOVA analysis techniques to analyze differences within position and demographic variables. For qualitative data, we used thematic analysis to

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2020 Policy and Research Briefing: Field's Experiences During the Pandemic

2020 Policy and Research Briefing: CARES & VAWA Implementation Issues

What Advocates Reported

- Some housing providers are not providing language access to survivors who are limited English proficient or speaking in sign language
- Many landlords think that VAWA's housing protections are no longer in effect because VAWA has not been reauthorized
- Many problems with emergency transfers
 - Landlords are unresponsive or there are massive delays in responding to requests
 - Several advocates did not pursue requests for clients because the process was too long and difficult due to lack of safe, alternative housing options

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[Youtube video](#)

COMMUNITY EVENT

Film Screening: Call her Ganda



Film screening and discussion:

CALL HER GANDA
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Date: October 28, 2021 Time: 7-9PM Location:

When Jennifer Laude, a Filipina trans woman, is brutally murdered by a U.S. Marine, three women intimately invested in the case—an activist attorney, a transgender journalist and Jennifer's mother—galvanize a political uprising, pursuing justice and taking on hardened histories of US imperialism.

All are welcome to participate in this documentary screening and conversation exploring gender and justice, gender-based violence, and the experiences of transgender people in the context of U.S. militarism and imperialism in the Philippines.

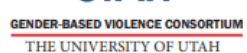
PANELISTS:

Victoria Reyes, Assistant Professor, Department of Gender & Sexuality Studies, University of California, Riverside

Judith Mirkinson, President of the "Comfort Women" Justice Coalition and Cofounder, Gabriela Network

This film will have live commentary followed by a short post film discussion.

SPONSORS:



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Workshop: Health Relationships



HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS

WORKSHOP SERIES

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IT'S A MATCH!

OCTOBER 19TH @ 4:00PM
NOVEMBER 17TH @ 11:00AM

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K.A.V.A. Talks 7th Annual Heels 2 Heal Walk for Domestic Violence Awareness



**SATURDAY
OCTOBER 30, 2021
1PM - 4PM**

K.A.V.A. Talks presents

7TH ANNUAL HEELS 2 HEAL

1 MILE WALK IN HEELS FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

In recognition of Domestic Violence Awareness Month please join us to raise funds for this critical cause. This is a family friendly event that is focused on community education and resources. Registered participants will receive a t-shirt and medal. Special prizes will be awarded. Remember to wear purple!

[Register here](#)

The 5th Annual K.A.V.A. Talks Dinner and Silent Auction



5TH ANNUAL

K.A.V.A. TALKS DINNER & SILENT AUCTION

AN EVENING CELEBRATING SURVIVORS AND
COMMUNITY LEADERS WHO MAKE A
DIFFERENCE IN THE ONGOING FIGHT TO
ELIMINATE VIOLENCE

**OCTOBER 29, 2021
6PM - 10PM**

**GALA EVENT VENUE
7355 S. 900 E. #6
MIDVALE, UT 84047-2305**



[Register here](#)

Webinar: Cultural Responsivity in Domestic Violence Intervention

Center for Victim Research Webinar
October 27 at 2-3 pm EDT

Cultural Responsivity
in Domestic Violence
Intervention
Approaches for
Immigrants in the U.S.

THE EVIDENCE HOUR

Monthly Webinars
on Systematic Reviews

[Register here](#)

OCTOBER IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Campus Resource Panel



Learn about campus resources who supports students who are victims, survivors, and/or secondary survivors



OCTOBER IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

VICTIM SURVIVOR ADVOCATES & ANIMAL THERAPY SAFE SPACE

Friday
October 29th
2 - 4 PM
GC 2950



[Register here](#)

RESOURCE

BRICS Feminist Watch Statement for G20 - 2021



BRICS Feminist Watch Statement for G20 2021

The BRICS Feminist Watch (BFW),¹ a global-South feminist alliance, undertakes critical feminist analyses and advocacy to promote ecologically, economically, and socially sustainable development. We are committed to bringing the voice of women from the global South into policy making spaces, upholding the economic, social, and cultural rights of women, and ensuring gender and social equality. The 2021 G20 comes during an extraordinary moment in history. The COVID-19 pandemic has sparked the deepest economic recession in nearly a century, disrupting economic activity and livelihoods, and has resulted in more than 4.57 million deaths globally.² We believe that southern voices, especially the voices of women who are the worst affected by the COVID-19 pandemic but are not heard, nor are taken into account in G20 global development decision-making. With the formation of G20, the G7 group was expanded to include developing countries from the global South. However, the G20 continues to operate as a G7 group with a Eurocentric approach and limited global South engagement. It is as if 'the club' belongs to them (G7) and they are now going to allow us (the developing countries) to participate, but we will have to follow their terms'. BFW, and several global South-based organisations, networks and movements find this aspect of G20 greatly problematic.

We recognise that:

- **Women, including gender non-conforming and trans-women, constitute a majority of the world's poor.** Women in all G20 economies are the hardest hit by the Covid-19 pandemic as they were the first to lose employment, had little or no social security, became food insecure and do not have proper access to healthcare.
- **Women face multiple oppressions, exclusions and discriminations** on the grounds of gender identity, caste, race, class, religion, nationality, sexual orientation, ethnicity, language, disability, literacy and age. The current pandemic has further perpetuated inequalities pre-existing in our society, structure and system. However, despite discrimination and socio-economic inequalities, women are moving forward and developing their capabilities and agency.
- **Women are on the front lines of the COVID-19 crisis**, as they make up the bulk of essential workers, including 70% of health-care workers. Yet, worldwide and across all regions and income groups, the pandemic has hit women's labour market opportunities

¹ Comprised of women's rights organizations and feminist activists from Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa

² As on 04 September 2021, Worldometer



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