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GCASAFV ANNOUNCEMENTS

GCASAFV's Call for Nominations - Due Friday, February 15th

GCASAFV emailed to Coalition members a call for nominations to fill three positions on our Board. Positions include:

- Chairperson
- Treasurer
- Director-at-large

Deadline to submit your nominations to GCASAFV is on Friday, February 15, 2019.

We expect to have ballots distributed on April 8th. Results of the election will be announced at the upcoming Annual Meeting on Tuesday May 14, 2019. For more information, please contact the GCASAFV office at 479-2277 or via email at info@guamcoalition.org.

Consolidated Grant Program to Address Children and Youth Experiencing Domestic and Sexual Assault and Engage Men and Boys as Allies

The Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) is accepting proposals for the Consolidated Grant Program to Address Children and Youth Experiencing Domestic and Sexual Assault and Engage Men and Boys as Allies. If you are interested in finding out more about this grant opportunity, please join us at the **GCASAFV Conference Room on Friday, February 15th @ 2:30pm**, call us at 479-2277, or email us at info@guamcoalition.org.

Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) Program Funding Availability:

- Improving Criminal Justice Responses to Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Grant Program **(due February 26th)**
- Grants to Reduce Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence and Stalking on Campus Program **(due March 14th)**
- Research and Evaluation Solicitation **(due March 25th)**



United States Department of Justice

Office on Violence Against Women

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Please call our office at 479-2277 or email us at info@guamcoalition.org for more information. Thank you!



Have a happy and safe Valentine's Day from GCASAFV!

Technical Assistance (TA) Training & Services - GCASAFV has posted:

- Addendum #1 for **RFQ 2018-001**, which requests for the services of agency(ies) or consultant(s) that have expertise on sexual assault and domestic violence in providing training and technical assistance to GCASAFV members and partners, has been extended to February 28, 2019.
- Addendum #1 for **RFQ 2018-002**, which requests for the services of agency(ies) or consultant(s) to provide technical assistance services that will assist GCASAFV in maintaining its resources through their Information Clearinghouse library, the GuamCoalition.org website, and their PacificRegionResources.org, will remain open until April 30, 2019.

Addenda and RFQs can be accessed through this link:

<http://www.guamcoalition.org/happenings/news-announcements/rfp%E2%80%99s-bids>

UPCOMING WEBINARS

Perceiving Credibility: Judicial Decision-Making in Domestic Violence Protective Order Cases
Hosted by: Battered Women's Justice Project

Wednesday, February 13, 2019
6:00 am – 7:00 am ChST

Link to join: <https://tinyurl.com/y82k4st6>

Learning to Love Ourselves: Incorporating Compassion Care in our Work

Hosted by: National Indigenous Women's Resource Center

Thursday, February 14, 2019
6:00 am – 7:00 am ChST

<https://tinyurl.com/ycejz2n9>

Sport is Part of the Solution to End Sexual and Domestic Violence

Hosted by PreventConnect; RALIANCE

Thursday, February 14, 2019 6:30:00 AM ChST - 8:00:00 AM ChST

<https://tinyurl.com/yddod45p>

Introduction and Overview of the National Domestic Violence and Firearms Resource Center for OVV Grantees

Hosted by: Battered Women's Justice Project

Wednesday, February 20, 2019
6:00 am – 7:00 am ChST

Link to join: <https://tinyurl.com/ybrfozp9>

Beyond Shelter: What Do Domestic Violence Survivors Need?

Hosted by: National Coalition Against Domestic Violence

Thursday, March 21, 2019
4:00 am ChST

Link to join: <https://tinyurl.com/y8weu256>

Please visit our website at GuamCoalition.org for more information and to register for these webinars.

Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) is coming soon!

We will be starting our April Planning Committee Meetings this month in our Conference Room:

- Wed Feb 20th @ 9:30am

- Tues Feb 26th @ 1:30pm

The Planning Committee will coordinate and discuss logistics for SAAM events. Be a committee member!

Contact GCASAFV at #479-2277 or info@guamcoalition.org.



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Project Catalyst - Pacific Region

GCASAFV was awarded funding for Project Catalyst from Futures Without Violence. The January Kick-Off Meeting was held in San Francisco, CA with the rest of the Guam Leadership Team (Department of Public Health & Social Services-Community Health Center (DPHSS-CHC) and Pacific Islands Primary Care Association). In addition to Guam, the Guam Leadership team will also be working with domestic violence (DV) programs and community health centers (CHC) in Saipan (Kagman Community Health Center, Karidat, Northern Marianas Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence) and Pohnpei (Pohnpei Community Health Center, Pohnpei Women's Council). The key agencies on Guam for this project are DPHSS-CHC, GALA, Guam Legal Services Corporation – Disability Law Center, Guma Mami', AOA-St. Anthony's Church, and Victim Advocates Reaching Out.

The leadership team will help facilitate training and collaboration between the DV programs and CHCs to enhance the response to individuals and families experiencing intimate partner violence and human trafficking by improving referral and assessment policies. As part of the Project, a Training of Trainers with Futures Without Violence is slated for April. Any updates regarding Project Catalyst will be provided on GCASAFV's website: www.GuamCoalition.org.



Pacific Partners Project: In-Person TAG Meeting

The Pacific Partners Project (PPP) aims to ensure that post-secondary educational institutions across the Pacific region are safe, violence-free, and conducive to learning. The Technical Advisory Group (TAG), comprised of key representatives from each of the 10 partner institutions, works with GCASAFV to build the capacity to identify and address issues regarding sexual assault at their respective campuses. Our partners include institutions from Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, Palau, American Samoa, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Marshall Islands.

The TAG held a meeting on January 23rd at the Hilton Hotel to preview the results of the PPP ARC3 Campus Climate Survey with those participating in the survey. The survey was conducted at 7 of our 10 partner campuses to measure knowledge and attitudes towards Sexual Assault.

Dr. Lisa Natividad, the PPP Evaluator, presented the findings of the survey and was happy to announce that over 900 students participated. We would like to congratulate each participating campus for reaching their target number of completed surveys!



In addition to the ARC3, Dr. Natividad presented the project of her SW480 Class at the University of Guam to develop a regional toolkit that includes guides for developing culturally-specific media focused on addressing campus sexual misconduct. PPP recognizes the importance of cultural sensitivity and we look forward to assisting our partners as they incorporate these messages in their aim to end campus sexual violence.



2019 GCASAFV Strategic Planning Meeting

GCASAFV would like to thank all of our members and partners for participating in our Strategic Planning Meeting on Thursday January 24th and Friday January 25th at the Guam Museum! During the meeting, one of the key discussions was what GCASAFV's priorities and opportunities should be.

Here at the Coalition we reflect on our priorities to expand our target audiences, streamline our network of services, modernize our awareness and prevention efforts, and advocate for legislative change. Together with our members and partners, we look forward to exploring new opportunities through increased connections to the private sector, strengthening our relationships with our military partners, and utilizing innovative sources of funding.

We would also like to thank Bev Baligad and Nina Jusuf for presenting information on Title IX and addressing sexual assault specific services. As we approach our 20th anniversary in the coming years, we will continue to find ways to better serve our island and keep our people safe. Biba GCASAFV!

January: National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month (NSHTPM) & National Stalking Awareness Month (NSAM)

GCASAFV was proud to be a part of a historic event as Governor Lou Leon Guerrero declared January as NSHTPM and NSAM during the Outreach Fair on Saturday January 19th at the Agana Shopping Center! Senator Therese Terlaje and her fellow senators of the 35th Guam Legislature introduced the 2019 NSHTPM and NSAM resolutions. We thank everyone for your support!



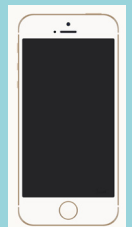
On January 16th, GCASAFV joined the Guam Police Department Domestic Abuse Response Team and the Governor's Community Outreach Federal Programs Office at the human trafficking awareness and stalking awareness wave along Marine Corps Drive!

Thank you to all who have helped us raise awareness and prevention for human trafficking and stalking by joining us and making our events a success! Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram for more photos!

Pacific Region Resources: Get Listed and Download Our App!

Pacific Region Resources is GCASAFV's online directory for community resources! Visit www.PacificRegionResource.org or download the app on the iTunes App store or Google Play.

Are you ready to let others know of your organization's services? Get listed today! Visit www.PacificRegionResources.org to get started. For more information or further assistance, contact info@guamcoalition.org





Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month (TDVAM)

Teen DV Month is a national effort to raise awareness. Dating violence is more common than many people think. One in three teens in the U.S. will experience physical, sexual or emotional abuse by someone they are in a relationship with before they become adults. And nearly half (43%) of dating college women report experiencing violent and abusive dating behaviors. This year's theme is: "Huddle Up for Healthy Relationships!"

Join GCASAFV and wear orange to help spread awareness and stop dating abuse before it starts on Tuesday, Feb 12th!



Why It's Time to Talk

talking to young people about dating violence is the first step in ending abuse

To break down barriers to allow **open, honest, and nonjudgmental** discussions about dating, healthy relationships, and abuse

To shift the approach from talking **to** young people to talking **with** young people

Creating safer communities starts with relationships, and to start relationships, **we've got to start talking!**



Random Acts of Kindness Day is February 17th!



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