# Sexual Violence Prevention E-News

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## 1. SVPN Meeting/Videoconference/Live Webstream: A Significant Increase in Sex Trafficking in Minnesota? What's going on? What is Minnesota doing about it? Friday, November 5, 2010, St. Paul, MN

Topic:
A Significant Increase in Sex Trafficking in Minnesota?
What's going on? What is Minnesota doing about it?

Join us for our panel presentation/discussion and learn about

1) the recently released Schapiro Group research report on sex trafficking in Minnesota and state-wide efforts to address the problem - from Charlotte Flowers of the Women's Foundation of Minnesota;
2) the work of the Advocates for Human Rights, including the sex trafficking needs assessment and information about sex trafficking laws in Minnesota - from Beatriz Mananteau from the Advocates for Human Rights; and
3) more on the commercial sexual exploitation of women and children, how the environment in which we live contributes to this demand,
and what we can all do to prevent it - from Cordelia Anderson of Sensibilities, Inc.

This issue affects all Minnesotans!

Panelists:
Charlotte Flowers, Senior Program Officer, Women's Foundation of Minnesota http://www.wfmn.org/
Beatriz Mananteau, Staff Attorney, The Advocates for Human Rights
http://www.theadvocatesforhumanrights.org/
Cordelia Anderson, Prevention Consultant, Sensibilities, Inc., http://www.cordeliaanderson.com/

Panel Moderator:
Patty Wetterling, Sexual Violence Prevention Program Director, Minnesota Department of Health
http://www.health.state.mn.us/injury/index.cfm

Friday, November 5, 2010, 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Snelling Office Park, 1645 Energy Park Drive, St. Paul, MN
Directions: http://www.health.state.mn.us/about/sop.html#location

Videoconference sites include St. Paul and the MDH District Offices:
Bemidji, Marshall, Duluth, Rochester, Fergus Falls, St. Cloud, and Mankato.
Additional locations available...link to: https://survey.vovici.com/se.ashx?s=56206EE354A18ECD

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED for all locations and for live webstream
~~~Link to: https://survey.vovici.com/se.ashx?s=56206EE354A18ECD to register~~~
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Friday, October 22, 2010

(If you have registration questions, contact doug.palmer@state.mn.us
If a special accommodation is needed, please e-mail Doug by October 22.)

This is a brown bag/bring your own lunch event

AGENDA:
10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – Registration and Networking
11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. – Presentation (videoconferenced portion of meeting)

Anyone interested in or working in the field of sexual violence prevention is WELCOME TO ATTEND.

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## 2. Date Correction: Breaking Free's 1st Annual Benefit Breakfast, November 6, 2010,
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## St. Paul, MN

Breaking Free is hosting a complimentary breakfast at The Great Hall in St. Paul to share past successes, plans for the future, and testimonials from survivors who have been helped by the program. RSVP is required. The program will begin at 10:00 a.m.

We are also looking for Table Captains who would be willing to invite 9 others to join them at this event. Please contact us if you are able to be a Table Captain.  See event info below for details.

Breaking Free's 1st Annual Benefit Breakfast
Saturday, November 6, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.
This is a free event and a great way to learn more about Breaking Free's work

Event Info:
RSVP required to events@breakingfree.net
The Great Hall in St. Paul
180 East Fifth Street Suite 160, St. Paul, MN 55101
10:00-11:30 a.m.
(parking in the Lowertown and Galtier garages)

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## 3. Building Healthy Communities: Serving Immigrant and Refugee Survivors of Domestic Violence, October 25, 2010, Minneapolis, MN

Monday October 25, 2010
1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Intermedia Arts, 2822 Lyndale Ave S., Minneapolis, MN 55408

Schedule of Events:
- 1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.: Resource Fair
- 2:00 p.m.: Breaking the Silence Performance by Pangea World Theater
- 3: 30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.: Know Your Resources / Rights Training

FREE and Open to the Public. For information and registration regarding this event, please contact Betty Balan at (763) 780-2332 or bbalan@alexandrahouse.org

Performance funded by:  Women's Foundation of Minnesota and the Minnesota State Arts Board Partners in Art Participation

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## 4. Healthy Schools Conference: Creating a Strong Foundation for Student Success, November 15, 2010, St. Paul, MN

Registration is now open for the Healthy Schools Conference: Creating a Strong Foundation for Student

Success. School health policies and practices can have a direct affect on student academic and behavioral outcomes.

Join us to learn how effective and practical strategies help to create a healthier school where students and staff thrive. Come with your school team to examine how health policies and practices link to school reform, Response To Intervention (RTI), and improved attendance.

For more information about the conference and how to register, link to:
http://take.actionforhealthykids.org/site/Clubs?club_id=1151&sid=2820&pg=event

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## 5. Upper Midwest 28th Annual Conference on Adolescents & Children in Need, November 18-19, 2010, Minneapolis, MN

This is the 28th Annual Conference on Adolescents & Children in Need. Continuing Education Hours have been approved for through the following:
MN Board of Social Work
MN Board of Psychology
MN Board of Marriage & Family Therapy
MN Board of Behavioral Health & Therapy
MN Board of School Administrators

November 18-19, 2010
Ramada Plaza, Minneapolis, MN
For more information link to: www.cedconference.com

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## 6. Message on sexual violence prevention to be broadcast in three languages

With the help of advocates from three cultural communities, translations of the following message are currently being broadcast in Spanish, Somali, and Hmong:

The following public service announcement is brought to you by the Minnesota Department of Health Sexual Violence Prevention Program. Picture the new Minnesota Twins stadium filled with people, standing room only. That's how many Minnesotans are affected by sexual harm each year. You can help change this picture. Pay attention to sexually demeaning messages on TV, internet, and advertising and discuss them with family and friends. Speak up when you see disrespect. One person can make a difference in preventing sexual harm.

The announcement will be broadcast on KFAI Radio -- http://www.kfai.org/ -- through the first week in November, on the following programs:

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| Friday 6:00-7:00 p.m. | CHAT Radio Hmong Arts and Culture |
| Sunday 1:00-2:00 p.m. | Hmong American Reachout |

Spanish

Saturday 2:00-3:00 p.m. Sabados Alegres
Tuesday 12:00-2:00 p.m. Corazon Latino
Thursday 8:00-9:30 p.m. Encuentro

Somali
Sunday 2:00-3:00 p.m. Somali Community Link
Sunday 7:00-8:00 p.m. Somali Voices

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## 7. New Resource: Healthcare Issues and Survivors of Sexual Violence

Healthcare Issues and Survivors of Sexual Violence (Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape, 2010).

This bulletin provides an overview of recommendations from survivors and reseachers about how to improve survivors' experiences when interacting with the healthcare system. Specific roles for advocates are discussed.

Link to:
http://www.nsvrc.org/publications/technical-assistance-bulletins/healthcare-issues-and-survivors-sexual-violenc

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## 8. New Resources: Disaster and Emergency Preparedness and Response

Disaster and Emergency Preparedness and Response.

This collection highlights the disproportionate vulnerability of women and children to domestic and sexual violence in disaster and emergency situations, and organizes information to help increase the safety and well being of those at higher risk for violence (or re-traumatization) during and after a major disaster or crisis.

(Note that the terms “disaster” and “emergency” are being used broadly to refer to major traumatic events and crisis situations that are either natural [e.g., hurricanes, earthquakes, tornados, etc.] or man-made [e.g., massacres, terrorist attacks, etc.]).

Link to: http://new.vawnet.org/category/index_pages.php?category_id=1134

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## 9. New Resource: Training Professionals in the Primary Prevention of Sexual and Intimate Partner Violence: A Planning Guide

Sexual violence and intimate partner violence are complex, multifaceted issues that affect all sectors of our communities. Preventing sexual violence and/or intimate partner violence requires a comprehensive approach involving many individuals, organizations, and sectors. We know from our experience with other public health issues that primary prevention strategies that take place before violence occurs can work. An effective,

comprehensive program to prevent sexual violence and/or intimate partner violence takes a multitude of approaches, one of which is training professionals to engage in sexual violence prevention and/or intimate partner prevention.

CDC's Injury Center is pleased to announce the release of Training Professionals in the Primary Prevention of Sexual and Intimate Partner Violence: A Planning Guide.

This publication describes how to develop, implement, and evaluate a process for training professionals to engage in sexual violence and intimate partner violence prevention. The Guide is designed to help practitioners tailor individual trainings to different groups of professionals. It includes real-life examples to illustrate theory put into practice. In addition to step-by-step guidance on all the tasks necessary for planning training, the Guide includes tip sheets, worksheets, checklists, and an extensive resource list. The Guide is available on-line:
http://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/pub/training_guide.html

To learn more about sexual and intimate partner violence and how you can prevent it in your community, visit the CDC website:
http://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/

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## 10. Toolkit: Gateway to Health Communication & Social Marketing Practice

This toolkit will guide you in developing governance for social media, determine which channels will best meet your communication objectives, and help you create a social media strategy. You will also learn about popular channels you can incorporate into your plan – like blogs, video-sharing sites, RSS feeds, and mobile applications.

Link to: http://www.cdc.gov/healthcommunication/ToolsTemplates/SocialMediaToolkit_BM.pdf

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## 11. Archived webinar: "No Place Like Home: The Impact of Sexual Violence on Housing" is now available online

This NSVRC recorded webinar draws from available research and discusses the interconnectedness of sexual violence and housing, especially in rural areas. The Spectrum of Prevention is applied as a blueprint for community-based housing advocacy strategies.

Webinar leaders are Kristin Weschler of the U.S. Office on Violence Against Women and Donna Greco of the National Sexual Violence Resource Center. This webinar provides useful information and strategies for those involved in advocacy, direct service and/or policymaking related to housing or sexual violence.

Link to: http://www.nsvrc.org/projects/housing-and-sexual-violence

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## 12. Commentary: How many women have endured a rape, and said nothing?

Commentary: How many women have endured a rape, and said nothing? by Nancy Donoval, 10/8/10

In all the coverage of the recent sexual assaults at the University of Minnesota, there's one line I just can't get out of my head.

In the St. Paul Pioneer Press, a campus police spokesman noted how unusual it is to have so many incidents reported in just two weeks.

The key word here is "reported." What's unusual is that this many assaults got reported so close together -- not that they happened.

For full article link to: http://minnesota.publicradio.org/display/web/2010/10/08/donoval/

Note: for more information about Nancy Donoval, Speaker-Survivor-Storyteller, link to www.Stories2StopRape.com

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## 13. Article: Sex Trafficking at Home

American Indian, Native Alaskan and Native Canadian women and girls from rural areas are prime targets for sex traffickers
By Mary Annette Pember
10/14/2010

“Joker waited until I had brought myself down really low. That’s when he pushed me to work for the gang,” Maggie told me.

Maggie, 41, is from the Rosebud Reservation in South Dakota; She is describing how her boyfriend, Joker, began trafficking her into the sex trade.

Fleeing a violent husband, she left the reservation for a new life in Minneapolis She became addicted to drugs and came to rely on her boyfriend, a member of a local street gang, for drugs and companionship. Soon, however, he insisted that she be initiated into his gang, a process involving gang rape by several members. He also insisted that she must contribute to the gang by trading sex for drugs and money. He routinely drives her to meet “dates,” men with whom she will trade sex for money or drugs.

“He told me he loves me and that all his friends did the same thing with their girlfriends,” she said. Sometimes, Maggie admits, she helps coerce other Indian girls into prostitution for the gang. “He said if I really loved him, I would do anything for him,” she said.

For full article link to:
http://www.dailyyonder.com/sex-trafficking-home/2010/10/13/2989

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## 14. Article: Child porn cases take toll on investigators

Article: Child porn cases take toll on investigators
By Del Quentin Wilber
12/01/09

D.C. police detective Timothy Palchak spends his days trawling the Internet for people willing to send him child pornography. It isn't easy work, pretending to be a pedophile. In online chats, instant messages and telephone calls, Palchak must enter the psyche of men he describes as "the scum of the Earth."

For full article link to:
http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2009/11/30/AR2009113004032.html?hpid=moreheadlin

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## 15. Funding Opportunities

NSVRC Funding Opportunities: http://www.nsvrc.org/opportunities/funding

Funding Alert Volume 6, Issue 1: October 15, 2010
http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=2541&category_id=417

The FUNDING ALERT, by the National Resource Center on Domestic Violence & National Sexual Violence Resource Center, provides a synopsis of the available funding that can be used by individuals and/or agencies working to end domestic violence and sexual assault. Included in this issue:

GOVERNMENT FUNDING
OVW FY 2010 Sexual Assault Demonstration Initiative(SADI)
HOPE VI Revitalization Grant Program
FY 2010 NOFA: Choice Neighborhoods Initiative
Family Unification Program (FUP)
Continuum of Care (CoC) Homeless Assistance Program
Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI)
YouthBuild Grants
Sexually Transmitted Diseases/Human ImmunodeficiencyVirus
Prevention Training Centers Grant
2011 NCVRW Community Awareness Project (CAP)

PRIVATE FUNDING
Celebrating Solutions Awards
2011 Achieve Grants
Social Innovation Fund
Disaster Relief Grants
Pepsi's Refresh Everything

FELLOWSHIPS

The Human Rights Advocates Program (HRAP)
Soros Justice Advocacy Fellowships
Soros Justice Media Fellowships

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## 16. Calendar

October 25, 2010, Building Healthy Communities, Serving Immigrant and Refugee Survivors of Domestic Violence, October 25, 2010, Minneapolis, MN. For information and registration regarding this event, please contact Betty Balan at (763) 780-2332 or bbalan@alexandrahouse.org

October 30, 2010, Breaking the Bonds of Injustice, October 30, 2010, Minneapolis, MN. To register go to www.breakingbonds2010.eventbrite.com

November 6, 2010 (note date correction), Breaking Free's 1st Annual Benefit Breakfast, St. Paul, MN. For More information contact events@breakingfree.net

November 15, 2010, Health Schools Conference. For more information link to http://take.actionforhealthykids.org/site/Clubs?club_id=1151&sid=2820&pg=event

November 18-19, 2010, Annual Conference on Adolescents & Children in Need. For more information link to www.cedconference.com

November 5, 2010, Sexual Violence Prevention Network (SVPN). For information contact: Amy.Kenzie@state.mn.us

Mark your calendar for 2011 SVPN meetings:
February 4, 2011, Sexual Violence Prevention Network (SVPN). For information contact: Amy.Kenzie@state.mn.us
May 13, 2011, Sexual Violence Prevention Network (SVPN). For information contact: Amy.Kenzie@state.mn.us
August 12, 2011, Sexual Violence Prevention Network (SVPN). For information contact: Amy.Kenzie@state.mn.us
November 4, 2011, Sexual Violence Prevention Network (SVPN). For information contact: Amy.Kenzie@state.mn.us

Note…For additional events (to attend or promote) link to the MN Center Against Violence and Abuse (MINCAVA) electronic clearinghouse (a great resource for MN events, articles, and more!): http://www.mincava.umn.edu/types/11

For another excellent resource, link to the Advocates for Human Rights Calendar: http://www.theadvocatesforhumanrights.org/the_advocates_events.html

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