

# Sexual Violence Prevention E-News

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## **1. *The Devastating Effects of Minnesota Human Trafficking, April 18, 2006***

*The Devastating Effects of Minnesota Human Trafficking* is a workshop tailored for a wide range of community stakeholders, including health professionals, domestic and sexual violence advocates, attorneys, adult protection personnel, law enforcement, social services personnel, and other interested community members to help trafficked or abused immigrant clients obtain relief by putting together evidence for attorneys. Hosted by: Civil Society; Migrant Health Service Inc, Hispanic Battered Women/Children's Program; and the Sexual Assault Intervention Project.

*The Devastating Effects of Minnesota Human Trafficking*

Tuesday, April 18, 2006

8:00 am 3:00 pm

- ▶ What is an International Trafficking Victim?
- ▶ Why is it hard for victims to escape their traffickers?
- ▶ How can Trafficking victims be identified?
- ▶ How can you help International and domestic victims of trafficking?
- ▶ What is Minnesota Human Trafficking Watch?

*Registration fee:* Free Will Donation (includes continental breakfast, snacks, lunch & materials)

*Registration deadline:* April 17, 2006.

*Continuing Education Credits:* A certificate of Attendance will be provided to all conference participants to submit to their licensing boards.

To register send name and contact information to:

Migrant Health Service Inc.

P.O. Box 364

Crookston, MN 56716

[E-mail](#)

Phone: (218) 281-3552

Lodging cost are on your own. A block of rooms have been reserved at:

The Northland Inn Conference Center

2200 University Ave, Hwy 2

P.O. BOX 117

Crookston, MN 56716

(218) 281-5210.

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## **2. Third Annual Art of Recovery show opening, April 22-23, 2006**

The Office of Justice Programs and the Minnesota State Arts Board invite you to attend the third annual Art of Recovery, displaying work by Minnesotans who have been victims of crime, and commemorating National Crime Victims' Rights Week. The show will be open the weekend of April 22-23 as part of the Saint Paul Art Crawl, and the work will be on display until June 30.

In addition to the visual arts, authors who submitted poetry, essays and short stories will be reading

their work on Sunday, April 23 at 1 p.m.

All activities will take place at:

Minnesota State Arts Board

Park Square Court, Suite 200, 400 Sibley Street

Saint Paul, MN 55101

(651) 215-1600

[View the invitation](#)

If you are unable to attend, [view it at the Minnesota State Arts Board](#).

Any questions may be directed to:

[Maia Hendel-Paterson](#)

[Office of Justice Programs](#)

(651) 205-4809

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### **3. Involving Youth in Violence Prevention: A National Web Conference, May 4, 2006**

Preventing Violence through Education, Networking and Technical Assistance ( PREVENT), a component of the National Training Initiative for Injury and Violence, will host a web conference on involving youth in violence prevention. The web conference is free and will include presentations on projects working to prevent violence at the community level and describe the benefits of working with youth.

*Involving Youth in Violence Prevention: A National Web Conference* is Thursday, May 4, 2006 from 2:00 to 3:30 PM EDT.

More information and registration is available from [PREVENT](#) or contact [Jenny Cook](#).

Speakers include:

- ▶ Andres Villaveces, MD, PhD, Epidemiologist, UNC Injury Prevention Research Center
- ▶ Sarah Raskin, MPH, Division of Violence Prevention, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- ▶ Susan Morrel-Samuels, MA, MPH, Managing Director, Youth Empowerment Solutions for Peaceful Communities (YES)

- ▶ Everett Roberts, MS, Project Manager, Youth Empowerment Solutions for Peaceful Communities (YES)
- ▶ Pamela Riley, EdD, Executive Director, National Association of Students Against Violence Everywhere (SAVE)
- ▶ The YES Council President (youth presenter)
- ▶ The Chair of the Youth Advisory Board (youth presenter)

[PREVENT](#) is a component of the National Training Initiative for Injury and Violence Prevention, a joint effort of the State and Territorial Injury Prevention Directors Association and the Society for the Advancement of Violence and Injury Research. It is operated by the University of North Carolina Injury Prevention Research Center through a cooperative agreement from the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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## **4. Civility and Families: Pathways to Violence Prevention, May 5, 2006**

The Minnesota Council on Family Relations presents, *Civility and Families: Pathways to Violence Prevention*.

### **Theme**

Violence — verbal violence, media violence, bullying, domestic violence, community violence, wars, lack of civility — has a profound effect on families. This conference will explore a variety of topics related to violence and violence prevention using many lenses such as gender, race, culture, family history and experience. Practical strategies for family professionals will be explored through speakers, panels and training opportunities.

### ***Civility and Families: Pathways to Violence Prevention***

Friday, May 5, 2006

Black Bear Crossing on the Lake

1360 Lexington Parkway North, Saint Paul, Minnesota

### **[Conference agenda](#)**

#### ***Keynote Presenter***

Anthony D. Pellegrini, PhD

*Power, Dominance and Bullying During Childhood and Early Adolescence*

Registration question: [Linda Vukelich](#), (651) 407-0950.

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## **5. The Institute of Evidence-Based and Best Practices presents: *Offender Treatment, Victim Services and Best Practices*, June 10-14, 2006**

[\*Offender Treatment, Victim Services and Best Practices\*](#) is co-sponsored by the Victim Offender Mediation Association (VOMA) and the American Association of Community Justice Professionals (AACJP). The conference will be held in Miami, Florida, June 10-14, 2006.

The 2006 Institute will feature a tri-conference format with three distinct conference three workshop themes running concurrently.

1. treatment and assessment strategies that can be used by professionals in human services, community corrections, juvenile justice or other settings when the desired result is changing behaviors or policies supportive of behavioral change.
2. best practices for victims of crime. These workshops will look at practices that range from understanding how to work with an individual victim to implementing systemic change in communities.
3. gain an understanding of the diversity of restorative justice practices and how these practices intertwine with treatment and services for victims of crime.

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## **6. Funding Alert: Runaway and Homeless Youth Street Outreach Program**

### **What:**

The purpose of the [Street Outreach Program](#) is to conduct outreach services designed to build relationships between grantee staff and street youth. A range of education, intervention, and prevention services are offered to youth who are at risk of being subjected to sexual abuse or exploitation. The goal of these efforts is to help young people leave the streets and assist in moving

and adjusting to a safe and appropriate living arrangement.

**Who:**

Non-profit organizations, including faith-based and community organizations.

**When:**

Applications are due by May 18, 2006.

**Award amount:**

An anticipated 25 to 50 awards totaling \$5,000,000.

**Contact:**

[Kelli Matson-Geist](#), (866) 796-1591

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## **7. Financial and Internet Industries to Combat Internet Child Pornography**

[Read the full press release from the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children](#)

Eighteen of the worlds most prominent financial institutions and Internet industry leaders have joined with the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children, and its sister organization, the International Centre for Missing & Exploited Children in the fight against Internet child pornography. The goal is to eradicate commercial child pornography by 2008.

[Child Pornography Fact Sheet.](#)

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## **8. Choose Respect: New National Dating Violence Prevention Campaign**

According to recent research from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), one out of four 8th and 9th graders reports being a victim of dating violence. Even more startling, many

adolescents do not grasp the seriousness of dating abuse. CDC research shows that a majority of young people think that emotional and verbal abuse are "normal" parts of relationships. To increase positive relationship behaviors and healthy relationships among young people ages 11-14, CDC's Division of Violence Prevention is launching the nationwide [Choose Respect campaign](#).

You can help launch the [Choose Respect campaign](#) in your community at no cost. Materials include:

- ▶ a Teacher's Guide
- ▶ a Community Action Kit including a section for schools
- ▶ a downloadable 13 minute video
- ▶ sample radio and TV PSAs
- ▶ and fact sheets

### **Minnesotans, please note!**

The [Minnesota Coalition Against Sexual Assault](#) (MNCASA) and the [Minnesota Coalition for Battered Women](#) are developing plans for a Minnesota launch of this campaign later this spring or summer. More information to follow soon.

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## **9. Take Back The News Community Print Project**

Do you want to **break the silence** of rape in your community?

Take Back The News confronts the misrepresentation of rape in the media. Activists across the country are Taking Back The News in their own communities and on their campuses. How? By providing a print forum for rape survivors to publish their stories in their own words. Be a part of the movement.

To create a public space for survivors to print their stories, you can organize a Take Back The News Community Print Project. Find out how to get started by visiting [Take Back The News](#).

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## **10. 10 Things Men can do to Prevent Gender Violence....Plus, What Minnesota Men can do to Prevent Sexual Violence**

- ▶ [10 Things Men can do to Prevent Gender Violence](#)
- ▶ What Minnesota Men can do to Prevent Sexual Violence....Join the Minnesota Men's Action Network (MN MAN)!

Men are in a particularly unique position to help change the social norms that create the environment in which sexual violence occurs. There needs to be a broader network of male voices to add to the voices and historical activities of women surrounding this vital issue. We need the strength, concern, and commitment of men to prevent this violence. We need men who will promote fair and safe relationships; men who create and support healthy sexuality; and men who will promote organizational practices and institutional policies that respect the dignity of every human being, not as sexualized objects to use, exploit, and discard, but as persons with inalienable rights and opportunities to choose the circumstances of their lives.

Sign up (it's free) to be part of the [Minnesota Men's Action Network: Alliance for the Prevention of Sexual Assault](#), from [Men As Peacemakers](#).

#### **Contact information**

[Frank Jewell](#), (218) 727-1939

[Chuck Derry](#), (320) 558-4510).

#### **Other Resources**

- ▶ [Anti-rape Activism](#)
- ▶ [Men Against Rape](#)
- ▶ [Men Against Sexual Violence - Take the Pledge](#)
- ▶ [Men Can Stop Rape](#)
- ▶ [Men in the Movement to End Violence Against Women: Organizations and Programs](#)

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## **11. Calendar**

*April*

- ▶ April 2006, Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM)! More information is available from the [National Sexual Violence Resource Center](#). For information on upcoming Minnesota activities and events link to the [MN Coalition Against Sexual Assault](#) and the [MN Coalition for Battered Women](#).



- ▶ April 17, 2006, Programs for Batterers: Are they Effective? St. Paul, MN. For more information [e-mail MINCAVA](#) or call (612) 624-6674.
- ▶ April 18, 2006, *The Devastating Effects of Minnesota Human Trafficking*. [E-mail](#), (218) 281-3552.
- ▶ April 20, 2006, *The Drunk or Drugged Victim of Sexual Assault - Trial Skills for Prosecutors*. For more information is available from [MN Coalition Against Sexual Assault](#) or contact [Kaarin Long](#), Staff Attorney, (651) 209-9993 x 214,
- ▶ April 21, 2006, [United Front for Children Conference: Global Efforts to Combat Sexual Trafficking of Children in Travel and Tourism](#), Minneapolis, MN. [E-mail](#) or call, (612) 624-8384, for more information.
- ▶ April 22-23, 2006, [Third Annual Art of Recovery](#) show opening. Contact the [Minnesota State Arts Board](#) for more information.
- ▶ April 25, 2006, *The Devastating Effects of Sex-Related Crime*, Mahnomon, MN. For more information contact: Loretta, (218) 935-5554 ext. 3232 or Michael, (218) 847-8572.
- ▶ April 26, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: *Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life* - Mankato, MN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).
- ▶ April 27, 2006, [Annual Child Abuse Prevention Conference, The Power of Prevention: Joining Forces to Promote Healthy Families](#) - St. Paul, MN.

#### May

- ▶ May 4-5, 2006, [Minnesota Organization on Adolescent Pregnancy, Prevention and Parenting \(MOAPPP\) Conference](#), Brooklyn Center, MN. Contact [MOAPPP](#) for more information ([e-mail](#)).
- ▶ May 5, 2006, [Civility and Families: Pathways to Violence Prevention](#). For more information contact [Linda Vukelich](#), (651) 407-0950.
- ▶ May 9, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: *Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life* - Crookston, MN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).
- ▶ May 11, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: *Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life* - Grand Rapids, MN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).
- ▶ May 12, 2006, Prevent Connect Web Conference. Get more information from [Prevention Connect](#).
- ▶ May 12, 2006 (changed from May 5), [Sexual Violence Prevention Network \(SVPN\)](#) - location TBN. For more information watch for future SVPN mailings.
- ▶ May 31-June 2, 2006, [19th Annual Conference on Crime Victims: Protecting our Future](#), Brainerd, MN.

#### June

- ▶ June 10-14, 2006, The Institute of Evidence-Based and Best Practices presents: [Offender Treatment, Victim Services and Best Practices](#).

- ▶ June 14, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: *Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life* - Winona, MN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).
- ▶ July 12, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: *Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life* - location TBN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).

#### August

- ▶ August 4, 2006, [Sexual Violence Prevention Network](#) (SVPN) - location TBN. For more information watch for future SVPN mailings.
- ▶ August 9, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: *Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life* - location TBN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).

#### September

- ▶ September 13, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: *Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life* - Marshall, MN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).

#### October

- ▶ October, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: *Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life* - Metro area location TBN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).

#### November

- ▶ November 3, 2006, [Sexual Violence Prevention Network](#) (SVPN) - location TBN. For more information watch for future SVPN mailings.
- ▶ November 8, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: *Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life* - St. Cloud, MN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).

#### December

- ▶ December 13, 2006, [MNALL](#) Workshop: *Building Community Partnerships: Promoting Health and Safety in Later Life* - location TBN. For more information [e-mail MNALL](#).

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