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OFFICE FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME (OVC) NEWS

For a complete list of current funding solicitations from the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC), visit <http://ovc.ncjrs.gov/Solicitation.aspx>

2017 NCVRW Resource Guide is Now Available Online. The Office for Victims of Crime is pleased to announce the release of the 2017 National Crime Victims' Rights Week (NCVRW) Resource Guide. NCVRW will be commemorated April 2–8, 2017, and the resource guide promotes this year's theme—Strength. Resilience. Justice. The Guide provides all the materials necessary to promote public awareness campaigns for NCVRW and throughout the year. Campaign materials include planning tips, artwork, crime and victimization fact sheets, and more. A Spanish version of the resource guide will be coming soon. Please join OVC to help communities across the country in raising awareness of crime victims' rights and services.

<https://ovc.ncjrs.gov/ncvrw2017/?ed2f26df2d9c416fbddddd2330a778c6=gptssqjpke-gdqqsll>

Register Now to Attend the National Crime Victims' Service Awards Ceremony. This year's National Crime Victims' Service Awards Ceremony will be held April 7, 2017, at the National Archives in Washington, DC. Each year, the Office for Victims of Crime recognizes individuals, teams, programs, and organizations that have demonstrated outstanding service in supporting crime victims and victim services. Visit www.ncvrw.org to register today.

<http://www.ncvrw.org/>

Be Counted! Participate in the National Census of Victim Service Providers. The National Census of Victim Service Providers (NCVSP) is the first-ever national count of all programs responding to victims and survivors of crime and abuse, providing the most comprehensive picture of the victim services field to date. Funded by the Office for Victims of Crime and the Bureau of Justice Statistics, The United States Department of Justice, the NCVSP will capture basic information about the field, helping reveal gaps and opportunities. Your participation is an opportunity for the critical services you provide to be included in the "big picture" of victim response. If you have not completed your NCVSP, please do so today. Login and complete your survey. If you have not received an invitation to complete this survey but are serving victims, please contact Angela Herrmann at NORC by phone at 877–504–1086 or email today,

ncvsp@norc.org. <https://ccsurvey.norc.org/Survey/Start/VccCawi/NCVSP.html>.



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INFORMATIONAL RESOURCES

Check out TECHBeat from National Institute of Justice. This monthly publication describes advances in technology related to law enforcement, corrections, courts and the forensic sciences. The January 2017 issue features articles on an online multidisciplinary sexual assault glossary; a report on the needs and challenges of criminal justice agencies in small, rural, tribal and border areas; and an anti-drug and alcohol abuse program used in schools in Cranford, N.J. Technology shorts feature publications about the use of video in the justice community and a report on automated kiosk reporting systems. <https://justnet.org/gallery/techbeat.html>



"Racial Disproportionality and Disparity in Child Welfare." Research has consistently shown that certain racial and ethnic groups, including African-Americans and Native Americans, are overrepresented in the U.S. child welfare system. The child welfare field has moved from acknowledging the issue to formulating and implementing solutions. Child Welfare Information Gateway recently updated the issue brief Racial Disproportionality and Disparity in Child Welfare that delves into the prevalence of racial and ethnic disproportionality and disparity in child welfare, reviews the latest literature on the topic, and highlights current State and local initiatives to address disproportionality. <https://www.childwelfare.gov/pubs/issue-briefs/racial-disproportionality/>

The Peyton Tuthill Foundation "Hearts of Hope Scholarship" is accepting applications for college scholarships that will be awarded July 2017 to children who have lost a sibling or parent to homicide to help them reclaim their lives. Peyton believed "that we should all leave the world a little better place than we found it." Her legacy inspires the Foundation and the amazing work of her mother and my good friend Pat Tuthill. Please spread the word to young survivors and encourage them to apply for the scholarship. The deadline is May 15, 2017. Applications may be downloaded at www.peyontuthill.org or by going to the scholarship page: <http://www.peyontuthill.org/Scholarships.html>.

The National Child Traumatic Stress Network and the National Center for PTSD - U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs are pleased to make the Second Edition of Psychological First Aid Field Operations Guide and accompanying handouts available. Psychological First Aid is an evidence-informed approach for assisting children, adolescents, adults, and families in the aftermath of disaster and terrorism. <http://www.nctsn.org/content/psychological-first-aid>

Visit the National Human Trafficking Hotline website for resources that can assist mental health, VAWA and faith-based community professionals. A new feature to the Hotline includes national human trafficking statistics that can be searched by state for state-specific data. The Hotline can be accessed by phone at 888.373.7888, by emailing help@humantraffickinghotline.org, submitting a tip through the online tip reporting form, and visiting the web portal at www.humantraffickinghotline.org.

New Platform for Online Discussions with National Experts. OVC, through its Training and Technical Assistance Center (OVC TTAC), is excited to announce a new platform to share our best practices and standards for serving victims of crime. The OVC TTAC Expert Q&A Online Discussion will replace the OVC Web Forum. Within this new platform, participants will have an enhanced ability to communicate with national experts and colleagues about hot topics and other issues relating to crime victim services. Expert Q&A Online Discussions will be held each month and one or more subject matter experts will be available to answer your questions. There is no charge to attend the Expert Q&A sessions. If you can't attend one of these interactive trainings, each event will be recorded and made available to view on the OVC TTAC website. Although the Expert Q&A sessions replace the OVC Web Forum, you may still access transcripts from past Web Forum Guest Host sessions. <https://www.ovcttac.gov/expert-qa/>



TRAININGS AND EVENTS

The National Criminal Justice Training Center (NCJTC) has added two NEW online classes their catalog: "Investigative Strategies for Child Abduction Cases (ISCAC)" and "Tribal Oriented Policing Strategies." To register for one or both classes, use the link provided here.

<http://campaign.r20.constantcontact.com/render?m=1117082385151&ca=e40ff5a9-8515-4a9d-be27-4427a7f51527>

Register now for National Criminal Justice Training Center's "Crimes Against Children in Indian Country" Conference. Apr 25-27, 2017. Carlton, MN. Native American youth are impacted by unique and challenging threats that affect their physical and emotional development and well-being. Substance and physical abuse, families in crisis, and violence continue to threaten their communities. Join us at this year's conference to gather resources, strengthen relationships between agencies, and promote a multidisciplinary, multi-jurisdictional approach to serving Native young people. https://ncjtc.fvtc.edu/training/details/TR00003456/TRI0003457/crime-against-children-in-indian-country-1#.WK9dCphQE_k.facebook

Deadline for Missing Children's Day Poster Contest Is March 16. OJJDP invites fifth graders nationwide to participate in the 2017 National Missing Children's Day poster contest. The annual contest creates an opportunity for schools, law enforcement, and child advocates to discuss the issue of missing and/or exploited children with youth, parents, and guardians and to promote child safety. Submissions are due by March 16, 2017. OJJDP will invite the national winner and his or her parents or guardians and teacher to Washington, DC, to participate in the National Missing Children's Day commemoration in May 2017. The ceremony honors the heroic and exemplary efforts of agencies, organizations, and individuals to protect children. National Missing Children's Day has been commemorated in the United States since 1984, when it was first proclaimed by President Ronald Reagan.

<http://mecptraining.org/poster-contest-home/>



RAINN's 2017 Lace Up 5k! Registration for the fourth annual Lace Up for RAINN 5K race is live, and hundreds of runners and fundraisers across the country are planning to lace up their running shoes on May 20, 2017. The annual event raises funds for critical services, such as the National Sexual Assault Hotline, and activates communities to learn more about sexual violence.

Runners can participate in Lace Up for RAINN in two ways: attending the race in Washington, DC, or participating "virtually" in their own communities. <https://fundraise.rainn.org/washington/events/lace-up-4-rainn/e87401>

Training from the Native Wellness Institute: "Being Trauma Informed" with Jillene Joseph. Clearwater Casino Resort Suquamish, Washington. Registration Fee: \$395 .Historical and inter-generational trauma continues to impact tribal and urban communities. How this impacts our places of work, individuals and families is the behavior associated with trauma- chronic negativity, addictions, suicide, lateral oppression, violence and more. Where there has been trauma, healing is the answer. This three-day interactive training will focus on providing a profound understanding of trauma on the brain, on behavior, how it plays out in the workplace and community and how to address trauma in your community. The training will also include how programs in their policies and delivery of services can be trauma-informed. <http://www.nativewellness.com/events.html#TraumaInformed>.

New Polyvictimization in Later Life FREE Online Training Now Available from Office for Victims of Crime TTAC (OVC TTAC). This is a 6-hour web-based training presented in five modules. The purpose of the training is to strengthen awareness of polyvictimization in later life and to provide knowledge and skills of professionals to address the needs of victims. https://www.ovcttac.gov/views/TrainingMaterials/dspOnline_polyvictimization.cfm

New, upcoming webinars from the Tribal Forensic Healthcare Training Project. "Evidence Integrity: Keeping it SAFE." Kim Day RN, SANE-A, SANE-P. Tuesday, March 14, 2017. 3:00pm–4:30pm (Eastern)

In addition to defining "forensic evidence", this 90 minute webinar will discuss the policies necessary for transfer and storage of evidence. Proper storage of forensic exam documentation and record retention will be outlined, as well as Evidence Integrity from the National SAFE Protocol recommendations. <http://tribalforensichealthcare.site-ym.com/events/EventDetails.aspx?id=880937>



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