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HAWAII STATE COALITION AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE



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DVAM EVENTS STATEWIDE

by Carmen Golay

During the month of October all across the US continent, Hawaii, Alaska, Guam, American Samoa and Puerto Rico, domestic violence coalitions and programs worked to raised awareness of intimate partner violence through events, social media campaigns and candlelight vigils honoring those who lost their lives. Throughout this issue of HSCADV newsletter you will find photos that were submitted to us by our Coalition members of the events held across the Hawaiian Islands. Event organizing is time consuming and difficult; we send a warm mahalo out to all those folks who made the effort to organize the dozens of events on top of your already full and busy schedules. Breaking the heavy silence around intimate partner violence is saving lives and helping people find a way to safety.



Vigil signs from event hosted by YWCA Kauai

Hurricane Lane

by Carmen Golay

Hurricane Lane was the wettest tropical cyclone on record in Hawaii, with rainfall accumulations of 52.02 inches in Mountain View, also ranking as the second-wettest tropical cyclone in the United States, after Hurricane Harvey of 2017. On August 23 & 24th as our state prepared for what seemed like would be a major hurricane, HSCADV checked in with our shelters around the state. Everyone was prepared and ready. Staff had prepared generators and water. Windows had been boarded, they had extra batteries, lanterns, and had cleaned up trees and yard debris. Most importantly, leadership was having conversations about staffing, what to do if roads became impassable and creating back up plans for clients if shelter neighborhoods were evacuated. Several shelters mentioned having cash on hand for emergencies and if power was out at stores. Though the storm did not have the wind we thought, the rain impact was felt and is still being dealt with in some locations throughout Hawaii.



Calendar

Nov 2 YWCA Kauai Na Wahine Alaka'i O Kaua'i

Nov 8 Maui 25 Hour Training

Nov 9 Maui 25 Hour Training

Nov 14 NNEDV Policy Info Call

Nov 16 DV/SA Collaborative Meeting

Nov 22 Thanksgiving Holiday

Nov 23 HSCADV closed

Nov 30 Membership Meeting

Dec 5 NNEDV Policy Info Call

Dec 25 Christmas

Dec 31 New Years Eve

Toolkits to Know



The information provided here addresses frequently asked questions, common challenges, best practices, templates for adaptation, and resources for additional information and assistance.

https://nnedv.org/dv-hivaids-toolkit/

Respect Effect: The app for teens

Digital tools to help teens learn and understand respect and health relationships.

https://www.futureswithoutviolen ce.org/respect-effect-app/

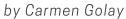
Tech Safety Toolkits: Survivors, Agencies & Legal

The Safety Net Project develops resources and information on the use of technology for agencies and survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and trafficking.

https://www.techsafety.org/resour ces/ PAGE 2

CONFERENCE HELD SEPTEMBER 5TH AT KO'OLAU BALLROOMS





Each year the HSCADV hosts advocates and allies for a day of learning, networking and refocusing. This year was a great success- thank you all who attended and hope to see you again next year. More photos on our website: https://www.hscadv.org/2018-annual-conference





HSCADV Staff Members











YWCA Kauai: DVAM Events

We held our annual Candlelight Vigil on Wednesday, October 17th during Week Without Violence. It was well attended by our community, including local government officials and candidates, community partners, and survivors. Steven Dick, YWCA DV and Sexual Assault Services Therapist and HSCADV Board Member, was our Master of Ceremonies. Speakers included Executive Director Renae Hamilton, County of Kaua'i Prosecuting Attorney Justin Kollar, Brian Kohatsu, LSCAW, CSAC, and Desiree, Domestic Violence Survivor. We also featured performances by Hālau Ka Waikahe Lani Mālie and musicians Olivia Gegen, Celeste Galloway and TJ Mullen. We had great volunteer turnout, including 24 nursing students from the Kaua'i Community College Nursing Program!













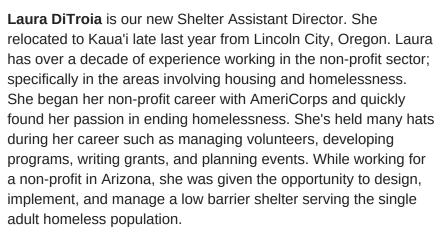






Welcome YWCA Kauai New Staff







Betsey Ashley is the new shelter therapist. Betsey recently held the position of Clinical Manager for Head Start, working with low-income families on island. Betsey has been driven throughout her career by a passion for social justice, particularly in regards to women and children. Her first internship as an undergraduate in 1999 was at a domestic violence shelter in Oregon and since that time she has worked with diverse populations in various residential treatment centers serving survivors of domestic violence, children survivors of abuse and neglect, and recovering addicts of drug and alcohol abuse. She is excited to begin growing our program in its clinical support of clients.

West Hawaii DVAM Events







Thursday Oct 18 the Hawaii
County Family Violence
Interagency Committee hosted a
walk and vigil attended by dozens
in Kailua-Kona. The Purple Ribbon
Award was given to Charlene
Edayan. Edayan, known as "the
beacon of light," has served as
the domestic violence specialist
at the West Hawaii Shelter since
2005.

Honolulu- The Taiwanese Women's Association held their monthly meeting on October 16 and invited HSCADV to present DV 101 in honor of domestic violence awareness month.





Advocate Spotlight

Joanne Loeak Hawaii Immigrant Justice Center











Joanne was nominated by her colleagues for her outstanding work and outreach to the community.

We asked her to tell us a little about herself:

"I was born and raised in the Marshall Islands. I came to Hawaii 20 years ago for schooling and to find a better life for my family. I started working with the **Hawaii Immigrant Justice**Center at the Legal Aid Society of Hawaii as an Outreach Specialist since 2014."

"I am also a community navigator, advocate, and organizer for my Marshallese community here in Hawaii. My spare time is spent on reading and listening to hymns on the piano."

Tell us something you do to take care of yourself:

"As an island girl, something I love doing whenever I'm feeling overwhelmed and stressed is finding that connection with nature again. It could be a walk on the beach, inhaling the salty refreshing smell of the ocean or just feeling the breeze on my face. It always brings back fond and care-free memories of days on the beach as a child. Even just closing my eyes and listening to the rain on rainy days or feel the sun on my face is so therapeutic for me."

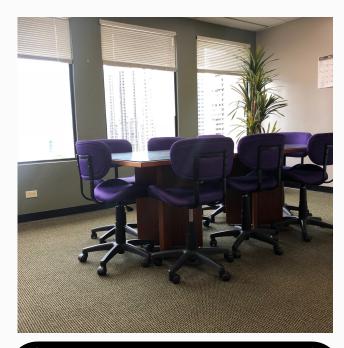
Thank you for your incredible work, Joanne! We are so happy to honor you.

If you'd like to nominate a rockstar advocate, please email cgolay@hscadv.org Thank you!

Serving on the Board of HSCADV

We are looking for new board members! HSCADV is governed by volunteer board that meets regularly to set the strategic goals for the coalition and makes key decisions such as the selection of the permanent executive director. Board members often come from member programs, but not exclusively. If you are committed to HSCADV's mission to end domestic violence and are interested in serving on the board, you can reach out to Suzanne Brown-McBride. executivedirector@hscadv.org





Mission of the Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence

HSCADV engages communities and organizations to end domestic violence through education, advocacy and action for social justice.

HSCADV Staff Updates



At the Coalition we continue to have transitions of staff. During September and October we said good-bye and thank you to **Kendrick Morikawa** and **Jina Rabago**, who had served as our finance manager and program manager respectively. We also welcomed **Nana Gigolaeva** as our temporary finance manager. Nana has a background in finance, is a graduate of Hawaii Pacific University and is originally from Russia. She enjoys the beach, hiking and playing piano.

Our Board of Directors is still working on an Executive Director search.