

Hafa Adai!

We are pleased to provide you with the August 2017 issue of our newsletter! We would like to welcome our new staff member Maya Wigglesworth. We would like to express our thanks to Brianne Santos, we wish her the best of luck as she returns to school. **August General Membership Meeting postponed to September 12, 2017 at 11:00AM.**

GCASAFV News:

Become a Community Advocate!

GCASAFV is planning a Community Advocate Training for September. We would like to focus on individuals who are fluent in a second language. Through this training GCASAFV hopes to increase its bank of Community Advocate Interpreter/Translators and expand the number of Community Advocates at large. The Community Advocate Training (CAT) provides the community with an understanding of sexual assault and family violence laws, victims' rights, and available services for victims and survivors. Participants will gain an understanding of civil and criminal laws dealing with sexual assault and family violence, and an understanding of the civil protective order process. This training will also include information on the dynamics of sexual assault and family violence, the intersection of HIV and sexual assault and family violence, and a presentation on Guam's services. If you know anyone who would be interested please have them email info@guamcoalition.org. More information will be made available and emailed at a later date.

TASI Project Listening Session

The Training and Advocacy Services Initiative (TASI) Project partners will be hosting a listening session to address a coordinated community response for victims/survivors 50 years and older. The TASI Project is led by the Department of Public Health and Social Services, Division of Senior Citizens, Bureau of Adult Protective Services in collaboration with GCASAFV, Guam Police Department, the Office of the Attorney General of Guam, the Judiciary of Guam, Catholic Social Service, and the Governor's Community Outreach – Federal Programs Office to enhance Guam's response to victims/survivors who are 50 years and older. GCASAFV invites you to the listening session in an effort to gather information to inform a coordinated community response to providing and/or enhancing services to victims who are 50 years or older on Guam. Please contact Charlene Bitlaol at Charlene@guamcoalition.org to RSVP.

**August 24, 2017
9:00am – 12:00pm
Cabinet Conference Room
Governor's Complex Adelup**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

To include announcements and events in our newsletters, email us at info@guamcoalition.org

TASI Project Listening Session

GCASAFV
August 24, 2017
9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Location: Cabinet Conference Room,
Governor's Complex Adelup.

Training on Disabilities: Disabilities Awareness & Sensitivity

Office of Accommodative Services in collaboration with SiNA and the Guam Developmental Disabilities Council
August 18, 2017
2:00pm – 5:00pm
Multi-Purpose Auditorium Building 400,
Guam Community College
**** Call 735-5597 to reserve a seat.**

18th Annual Creative Spirits Art Exhibit and Silent Auction: "Navigating the Tactile Realm"

Guma Mami, Inc.
August 25, 2017
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Nissan/Infiniti Gallery

Victim Advocate Training

Victim Advocates Reaching Out
August 19 & 26; 2017
September 9 & 16, 2017
8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Tamuning Senior Center
****call 477-5552 or email varog Guam1@yahoo.com if interested in becoming a VARO support volunteer (must attend all sessions)**

PacificRegionResources.org!



GCASAFV is happy to announce the launch of PacificRegionResources.org. This website is the enhanced version of GuamServices.org. This website now allows users to filter services by their location! This provides information on services on Guam, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Republic of Marshall Islands, Republic of Palau, American Samoa, Hawaii, as well as the U.S. Mainland/Alaska. Organizations can also upload their brochures and other collateral materials on the organizations listings. If you want to list your agency or you know of an organization that should be listed, please email info@guamcoalition.org or go to the following link: <http://www.pacificregionresources.org/register/> Funded in part by the Office of Minority Health Resource Center.

Pacific Partners Project Starts Its 2nd Year!

GCASAFV continues to work with postsecondary educational institutions on Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Republic of Palau, and American Samoa, through the Pacific Partners Project (PPP) to develop and implement campus sexual assault policy and prevention programming funded by the Office of Women's Health.

Year 2 of PPP brings in two new partners: Ohwa Theological College (OTC) and California Coalition Against Sexual Assault (CALCASA). OTC is located in Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia. The college offers a two-year program in Associate of Applied Arts in Theology and Liberal Arts, and will increase the project's reach to students in the Pacific. CALCASA, framing its work through a public health, feminist and movement-building lens, started PreventConnect to bridge the most current research, evaluation and practice with a community of prevention practitioners, researchers, evaluators, and funders. PreventConnect Campus provides resources for people committed to advancing prevention of sexual violence on college campuses. GCASAFV looks forward to another successful year with this project.

22nd International Summit Building Peace by Linking Policy, Practice, Research & Advocacy to End Violence

Institute on Violence, Abuse, & Trauma

September 24-27, 2017
San Diego, CA

WEBINARS

Shelter(ing)

https://events-na1.adobeconnect.com/content/connect/c1/2154191300/en/events/event/shared/default_template_simple/event_landing.html?scoid=2328660836

National LGBTQ Institute on IPV
August 16, 2017

5:00 am – 6:30 am ChST

Engagement and Accountability in Group

https://tcfv.webinato.com/register/59791495653844~1502996400?utm_source=Active+Constituents&utm_campaign=ce872f843d-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2017_06_15&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_172962e797-ce872f843d-191686725

Texas Council on Family Violence
August 18, 2017

5:00 am ChST

Domestic Violence Mentor Court Webinar Series ~ Creating a Holistic Response for Domestic Violence Litigants Through Civil Legal Services (part 1 of 3)

https://courttinnovation.ilinc.com/perl/ilinc/lms/register.pl?activity_id=fvcbhw&user_id=

Center for Court Innovation
August 18, 2017

4:00 am – 5:30 am ChST

GCASAFV Awarded Rape Prevention Education Grant

GCASAFV was awarded the Rape Prevention Education (RPE) Grant from the Guam Department of Public Health and Social Services, Bureau of Community Health Services. GCASAFV will be implementing Strengthening Teens Awareness and Resources (STAR) Youth Leadership Project. GCASAFV aims to educate Guam's youth on healthy relationships as well as empower youth as advocates to preventing sexual assault in our community.

GCASAFV at NNEDV's 5th Annual Technology Summit



GCASAFV staff attended the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV)'s 5th Annual Technology Summit on July 31 - August 2 in San Francisco, CA. The summit's purpose was to educate attendees on the intersection of technology and domestic & sexual violence, stalking, and human trafficking.

Information was shared on responding to technology abuse, enhancing services for survivors of abuse, and providing tools to aid service providers in holding perpetrators accountable.

GCASAFV at Resource Sharing Project Topical Meeting in Philadelphia

Representatives from GCASAFV attended the Resource Sharing Project Topical Meeting on August 8 and 9 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. This topical meeting focused on serving male survivors and provided the opportunity to engaging in critical conversations regarding the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA), working with the military and cultural considerations in addressing male survivors. Participants included representative from other state and territory sexual assault coalitions.

Resource Sharing Project



Safer Families, Safer Communities

http://www.bwjip.org/training/webinar-safer-families-safer-communities.html?utm_source=All+Subscribers&utm_campaign=376f8e055b-

[EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2017_03_10&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_347d47d8e9-376f8e055b-48079829](http://www.bwjip.org/training/webinar-safer-families-safer-communities.html?utm_source=All+Subscribers&utm_campaign=376f8e055b-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2017_03_10&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_347d47d8e9-376f8e055b-48079829)

Battered Women's Justice Project

August 22, 2017

5:00 am – 6:30 am ChST

Forging New Pathways to Safety: Housing Protections for Survivors of Gender-based Violence

https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/5717187070427308034?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_content=Register%20for%20the%20Forging%20New%20Pathways%20to%20Safety%20webinar%20here!&utm_campaign=August%202017%20eDigest

Colorado Coalition Against Sexual Assault

August 23, 2017

4:00 am – 5:00 am ChST

Supporting Women and Girls' Leadership in Sport to Prevent Sexual and Domestic Violence

<http://www.preventconnect.org/2017/08/supporting-women-and-girls-leadership-in-sport-to-prevent-sexual-and-domestic-violence/>

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August 23, 2017

4:00 am – 5:30 am ChST

GCASAFV wants you to...

Know Computer and Phone Safety

The internet allows its users to stay informed and connected to the world. With this connectivity come some risks. It's important to know about possible spyware and surveillance. It can be delivered through physical contact with the computer or cell phone or even through a file sent in an email. Yes, cell phones are vulnerable also. It is important for survivors to know if their computer or cell phone is, or could be monitored. For more information on spyware, surveillance and safety for survivors visit this NNEDV information sheet for info and tips:

http://nnedv.org/downloads/SafetyNet/NNEDV_SpywareAndSafety_2013.pdf



Trauma Informed Care and Historical Trauma Informed Care for All Staff Who are in a Supervisory Role (part 3 of 3)

https://events-na7.adobeconnect.com/content/connect/c1/1137116237/en/events/event/private/1302046856/1753102841/event_landing.html?sco-id=1762476220&charset=utf-8

Indian Health Service

August 23, 2017

2:30 am – 3:30 am ChST

Be Prepared

August is here! The time has come to help your college student prepare for the semester. Conversations about sexual assault can be difficult but are important to have. GCASAFV would like to take this time to help and encourage parents and students to have these difficult conversations. The link below will provide information on campus sexual assault, healthy relationship tips, information on consent, drugs and alcohol, and questions to ask your students' college. To view the tip sheet follow this link:

http://www.nsvrc.org/sites/default/files/publications_nsvrc_tip-sheet_going-to-college-what-families-need-know-sexual-assault-safety-campus.pdf



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