

GCASAFV News:

Community Advocate Training



GCASAFV held their Community Advocate Training (CAT) on September 15, 2017 at the Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHOM) Catholic Church Social Hall. The topics of discussion at this training included Dynamics of Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence presented by GCASAFV's Taylor Amdal-Barela, and the Intersection of HIV/AIDS/STIs/STDs presented by Evan San Nicolas of Guam's

Alternative Lifestyle Association. Attorney Harold Parker, Executive Director of Guam Legal Service Corporation – Disability Law Center, presented on the Criminal and Civil Law's in regards to sexual assault and family violence. A panel of representatives from the Guam Police Department - Domestic Assault Response Team, Healing Hearts Crisis Center, Public Defender Service Corporation, Sanctuary Inc., and Victim Advocates Reaching Out provided an overview of their services and responded to questions from the audience.

Save the Date!

Coming Soon: GCASAFV's "kNOw MORE Roundtable"

GCASAFV will be holding the "kNOw MORE Roundtable" in conjunction with "kNOw MORE: Abuse Across the Lifespan Series I: Abuse In Later Life" in conjunction with the TASI Project Coordinated Community Resource Kick Off Event on October 25 and 26, 2017, at the Pacific Star Chamorro Ballroom.

Featured trainers include Bonnie Brandl and Taunuu Vee from the National Clearinghouse on Abuse in Later Life (NCALL). The two-day training will assist individuals and agencies in recognizing each other's part in responding to abuse in later life. The training will facilitate discussion among professionals to enhance the current response to elder abuse victims. Seating is limited. Deadline to register is on October 16, 2017 at 5:00 pm.

Please follow the link to register:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/kNOwMORE-ALL>

For more information, call GCASAFV office, or send an email to info@guamcoalition.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Silent Witness Ceremony

GCASAFV and Governor's Community Outreach – Federal Programs Office
October 5, 2017

4:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Latte of Freedom, Adelup

Family Violence Awareness Outreach

GCASAFV
October 7, 2017
Agana Shopping Center, Hagatna

FVAM March/Wave

GCASAFV in collaboration with Governor's Community Outreach – Federal Programs Office, Andersen Air Force Base and Naval Base Guam Fleet and Family
October 25, 2017
4:00 pm
Guam Museum, Hagatna

"kNOw MORE: Abuse Across the Lifespan Series I: Abuse In later Life"

GCASAFV and Department of Public Health & Social Services, Division of Senior Citizens, Bureau of Adult Protective Services
October 25 – 26, 2017
8:00 am – 3:00 pm
Pacific Star Resort & Spa Chamorro Ballroom, Tumon

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Training

Guam Team in San Diego for IVAT



Representatives from GCASAFV, Sanctuary Inc., Victim Advocates Reaching Out, Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, Guam Police Department, Governor’s Community Outreach-Federal Programs Office, Guma Mami’, Inc., and the Judiciary of Guam participated in the 22nd International Summit on Violence, Abuse & Trauma Summit in San Diego, California. Pictured above is plenary speaker Wendy Walsh, PhD of the Dr. Wendy Walsh Show who spoke on “How a Survivor of Domestic Violence became the Dragon Slayer of Fox News’ Bill O’Reilly.”

Researchers, practitioners, advocates, consumer-survivors, and front-line workers gathered at this event to learn and discuss the most current information on violence, abuse and trauma prevention, intervention and research in their respective fields. GCASAFV also featured the Pacific Partners Project in the Summit’s poster board session. The poster board presentation highlighted project partners, challenges, barriers, strategies, and accomplishments, and provided an opportunity for GCASAFV to raise awareness on campus sexual misconduct in the Pacific region and our unique experiences.

National Conference on Health & Domestic Violence



The Guam team attended the 8th Biennial National Conference on Health & Domestic Violence in San Francisco, California. Conference attendees consisted of service providers in the medical,

public health, and domestic violence fields. Attendees learned about the latest research and practices on how the healthcare system can better serve victims of sexual and domestic violence. The Guam team consisted of representatives from GCASAFV and VARO.

#PurpleThursday Outreach

Andersen Air Force Base, Family Advocacy Program

October 3, 2017

11:00 am – 1:00 pm

BX, Andersen Air Force Base

Wave In Support of Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Erica's House

October 4, 2017

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Chief Kepuha Park, Hagatna

#PurpleThursday Outreach

Andersen Air Force Base, Family Advocacy Program

October 12, 2017

1100-1300

Commissary, Andersen Air Force Base

Halloween Costume Drive: Last Call for Drop-Off of Donated Costumes

Pacific Daily News and GCASAFV

October 20, 2017

5:00 pm

Drop Off Locations:

PDN’s Hagatna and Harmon Offices

GCASAFV’s Family Violence Outreach at Agana Shopping Center

GCASAFV’s Office in Hagatna

Silent Witness Exhibit

Immaculate Heart of Mary

October 21, 2017

10:00 am – 2:00 pm

GPO Food Court, Tamuning

GCASAFV in the Community

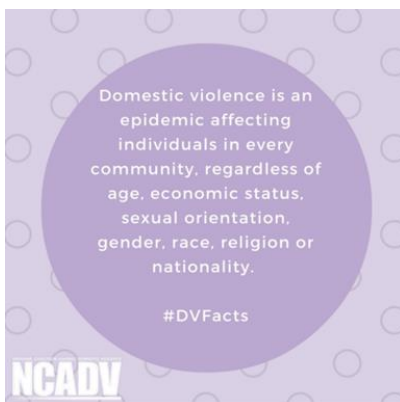
Halloween Costume Drive



Pacific Daily News (PDN) donated over 200 Halloween costumes to GCASAFV's office on Tuesday, September 12, 2017. PDN has been collecting costumes this past year as part of their costume drive. The families that will benefit from this costume drive are being assisted by Catholic Social Service Alee Shelter, Erica's House, and Kamalen Karidat. Those who are interested in donating their new/previous years' gently-used costumes can drop off their donations to the GCASAFV office, PDN's Hagatna and Harmon offices, and GCASAFV's Family Violence outreach on October 7, 2017 at Agana Shopping Center 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. Last day for donations will be October 20. For more information call the GCASAFV office at 479-2277.

October Is...

Domestic Violence Awareness Month: DVAM Turns 30!



GCASAFV recognizes Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Domestic/Family Violence affects individuals from all walks of life, and it does not discriminate against race, status, gender, religion or nationality. DVAM was launched in October, 1987. Strides have been made throughout these last 30 years, but there is still much to be done! The Violence Against Women Act and the "It's On Us" campaign are just two examples of

what has been done nationally, but much can be done independently. Let us do our part in ending domestic violence by advocating for our loved ones who are or have been victims/survivors of domestic violence.

Follow this link to learn how: <http://www.thehotline.org/help/help-for-friends-and-family/>

Purple Ribbon Wave

Immaculate Heart of Mary

October 27, 2017

4:30 pm – 5:30 pm

Toto/Barrigada/Tiyan Intersection

WEBINARS

Digital Storytelling for Social Change: Domestic Violence Awareness Month and Beyond

<https://nrcdv.adobeconnect.com/dvam2017/event/registration.html?campaign-id=Flier>

Domestic Violence

Awareness Project

October 11, 2017

5:00 – 6:30 am ChST

Integrating Trauma Informed and Historical Trauma Informed Care in Behavioral Health Interventions with American Indians and Alaska Natives (part 3 of 3 repeat)

<https://ihs.adobeconnect.com/e2hbkfw6th/event/eventinfo.html>

Indian Health Service

October 11, 2017

2:30 – 3:30 am ChST

The Good, The Bad, and the Ugly: Assessing CAC Partnerships

<https://www.nttac.org/index.cfm?event=trainingCenter.traininginfo&EventID=1923&from=upcoming>

Midwest Regional Children's

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Persons with Disabilities Employment Awareness Month

October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month. This year's theme is 'Inclusion Drives Innovation.' U.S. Secretary of Labor states "Americans of all abilities must have access to good, safe jobs. Smart employers know that including different perspectives in problem solving situations leads to better solutions. Hiring employees with diverse abilities strengthens their business competition and drives innovation." GCASAFV recognizes National Disabilities Employment Awareness Month. GCASAFV takes this National Disabilities Employment Awareness Month to help employers empower and accommodate their employees with disabilities so that they can stay employed and independent. Following this link to learn ways to accommodate your employees: <https://www.dol.gov/odep/topics/ndeam/employers.htm>



Advocacy Center
 October 13, 2017
 3:00 am ChST


Working with International Student Survivors of Sexual Assault

https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/3122502356908447489?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_content=Register%20for%20the%20International%20Student%20Survivors%20webinar%20here!&utm_campaign=September%202017%20eDigest

Colorado Coalition Against Sexual Assault

October 17, 2017
 5:00 – 6:30 am ChST

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National Bullying Prevention Awareness Month

GCASAFV recognizes National Bullying Prevention Awareness Month. According to StopBullying.gov, some children who bully others are more likely to end up being abusive toward their romantic partners, spouses, and/or children as adults.

Let us end domestic violence, starting with talking to children in schools and at home about bullying. Follow this link to learn more: <https://www.stopbullying.gov/prevention/talking-about-it/index.html>

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

GCASAFV recognizes Breast Cancer Awareness Month. 1 in 8 women will develop breast cancer. In continuing the fight in ending violence against women, please remember to take care of yourselves! Make October the month to get screened!

