Presenter Biographies

ASHLEIGH KLEIN-JIMENEZ, MPA (she/her/hers) began her work in the movement to end sexual violence in 2005 as a volunteer with the local rape crisis center in her community. Having dabbled in activism as a teenager, Ashleigh was quickly drawn to the social change elements of prevention work and worked in several community-based programs. She has had the privilege of collaborating and partnering with numerous community stakeholders, including community and state colleges, on implementing sexual violence prevention programs. Ashleigh leads numerous VALOR projects including PreventConnect, C.A. LEADDS, and campus-based projects.

JANAE SARGENT (she/they) received Bachelor's Degrees in Journalism and Fine Arts from Pacific University, Oregon. After working in print and broadcast journalism for several years, she transitioned into the anti-violence field in 2018, as a community organizer and prevention practitioner. Her work has primarily included TGI justice, reproductive justice and community-level prevention. At VALOR, she coordinates the day-to-day activities of PreventConnect and advances policy initiatives through the Solis Policy Institute. When she is not working, Janae spends her time outside on the trails, snuggling her pup and illustrating.

SHELBY VICE (she/her) received a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from Sacramento State University. After working in the legal field since she was 15, she began her journey in the anti-violence movement in college after attending her first Take Back the Night in 2014. She has always wanted to help people who have experienced trauma and started working in prevention in 2018 at a dual crisis center in her hometown. She has primarily worked to prevent violence in K-12 schools and created a community-based program to work in nightlife settings. At VALOR, she supports prevention programming across the state in developing and improving their community and school-based programs. When she is not working, Shelby spends her time with her family and friends, trying new foods at local restaurants, kayaking or hitting the trails, and singing.