Our Mission:
We work to create and support the social change necessary to prevent and confront all forms of domestic violence.

Our Work:
As a statewide membership organization, we achieve our mission through activism, training, prevention, technical assistance, legislative advocacy, and leadership development. We promote best practices and broad based collaboration, integrating anti-oppression principles in all of our work.

Our Vision:
The collective voices of survivors and advocates, as expressed through the Coalition, will strengthen public and private response and prioritize domestic violence as a human rights issue.
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Dear Friends,

At the New York State Coalition Against Domestic Violence, our mission is to create and support the social change necessary to prevent and confront all forms of domestic violence.

What is it going to take to achieve this goal? NYSCADV provides training and technical assistance for local domestic violence programs across New York State, works with communities to change our broader culture into one that doesn’t condone violence, and advocates for policies to make sure that survivors are provided the support they need and deserve.

In 2017, NYSCADV also made significant progress toward standing as a unified front with so many who share our vision. We are deeply proud of the domestic violence advocates who work in member programs across the state and the critical services they provide for thousands of survivors of domestic violence and their children.

Looking ahead, we know we face significant challenges in New York. According to the national Domestic Violence Counts Census, for two years in a row New York has had the highest demand for domestic violence services in the country. It is clear that we have reached a pivotal moment, as we must refocus and recommit our efforts for social change in order to end domestic violence.

As we strive toward our vision, we will continue to build alliances to attain safety, equality, and justice. When we look at root causes and shared risk factors, and connect across social justice movements to address domestic violence and all forms of violence, we know we can make a much bigger impact together.

With your continued support and commitment to social change efforts, I know we can achieve our ultimate goal of preventing domestic violence once and for all.

All the best,

Connie Neal
Executive Director
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NYSCADV staff pictured with Assemblymember Helene Weinstein
Statement of members of the New York State Coalition Against Domestic Violence:
87 members as of 9/30/16 and 71 members as of 9/30/17

Financial and membership records are maintained at the office of the corporation: New York State Coalition Against Domestic Violence, 119 Washington Ave, Albany NY 12210
According to the 2015 and 2016 National Domestic Violence Counts Census, New York State had the highest demand for domestic violence services in the country.

In one day alone in 2016

6,868 survivors of domestic violence across New York received help from domestic violence programs

On that same day

1,390 Requests for help went unmet, mostly due to funding cuts

2016 Statewide Domestic Violence Service Delivery Statistics:
From New York State Office of Children & Family Services 2016 Report to Governor and Legislature

213,708 hotline calls to local domestic violence programs

11,338 adults and children received emergency shelter

41,399 adults and children received non-residential domestic violence services

759 domestic violence survivors and their children entered transitional housing

Our Members

NYSCADV is the collective voice of domestic violence programs across New York State. Members are the core of NYSCADV, and they inform the work that we do. It is through these partnerships that our shared mission to prevent and eliminate domestic violence can be realized. Thank you to each and every one of our members for your ongoing support.

2017 SERVICE PROVIDER MEMBERS

Service Provider Members are private, nonprofit, nongovernmental organizations and programs that have a license by the New York State Office for Children and Family Services or have local New York Department of Social Services contracts to provide domestic violence services, who have paid annual dues, and who adhere to the mission, philosophy and purposes of NYSCADV. The list below only reflects 2017 members that gave their explicit permission to publish their logo in NYSCADV materials.

Allen Women’s Resource Center
Our Members

2017 SERVICE PROVIDER MEMBERS

Food First, Inc.

Family Counseling Service of the Finger Lakes, Inc.

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Allied Organization Members are agencies, programs, or entities in New York that are concerned with domestic violence and intimate partner sexual violence, that have paid annual dues, and that subscribe to the mission, philosophy and purposes of NYSCADV. The list below only reflects 2017 members that gave their explicit permission to publish their logo in NYSCADV materials.

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Our Work

COALITION BUILDING

NYSCADV facilitates coalition building, networking, and collaboration on local, regional, state, and national levels through a variety of mechanisms. Regional Representatives are elected by their peers and convene regional meetings to foster increased involvement of local domestic violence service providers in the Coalition and to stimulate the exchange of ideas and information.

NYSCADV participates in relevant statewide and national advisory committees, task forces, and work groups, ensuring that the voices of survivors as conveyed to us by our membership, are heard. NYSCADV is an active member of the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV) and the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence (NCADV), which provides us with the opportunity to be part of the national dialogue occurring among all state domestic violence coalitions and national organizations.

NYSCADV provides opportunities for dialogue, networking and support with others involved in the movement to end domestic violence. We convene meetings to promote communication and collaboration on the local, regional, state, and national levels and communicate with our membership to offer timely notification of information and issues critical to their work.

ADVOCACY

Advocacy includes training, technical assistance, community outreach, and collaboration with system partners and allied organizations. We continually assess trends through these modes of information gathering and, in turn, NYSCADV staff routinely meets with our statewide partners to identify ways to address the concerns of the community.

NYSCADV also conducts advocacy efforts through community outreach and resource development to promote public awareness about domestic violence. This includes our website and social media pages which provide information for not only our membership but for the general public; special projects, events, and campaigns; and resources that describe best practices. Additionally, NYSCADV coordinates and implements specialized projects that address emerging trends. Overall, our work emphasizes the links between all forms of oppression and violence by promoting peace and justice for all individuals. We advocate for the availability and accessibility of high quality, culturally competent services for everyone, and work diligently to increase access for all communities.
Our Work

PRIMAR Y PREVENTION

NYSCADV works to create and support the social change necessary to prevent and confront all forms of domestic violence. Consistent with this mission and vision for our work, NYSCADV emphasizes efforts to prevent domestic violence. This approach, known as primary prevention, focuses on stopping violence before it occurs.

Primary prevention requires changing conditions in the culture of our society that support and condone intimate partner violence. This is an ongoing process, requiring a commitment to social change efforts that compliment intervention strategies. One of NYSCADV’s core operating assumptions is that meaningful and lasting change happens at the community level. As such, our efforts focus on supporting communities to find effective and locally relevant methods for organizing and mobilizing. This work is at the heart of our coalition building efforts.

NYSCADV’s Online Prevention Toolkit is a compendium of tools, resources and strategies that can be utilized to support prevention strategies on a local, regional and statewide level. Tools and resources are carefully chosen, based on emerging evidence, lessons learned from the New York State DELTA Project, successes from local domestic violence programs throughout the state of New York and across the nation, and from dialogue with national partners in prevention. The toolkit includes traditional prevention resources and strategies such as curricula that can be conducted in school-based settings, as well as public health approaches that engage communities around issues of health and wellness. The toolkit also includes community organizing techniques that engage and nurture groups to address inequities that stem from systemic oppression (such as racism, heterosexism, etc.) from an intersectional, social justice framework. Lastly, the toolkit has a growing body of research that describes emerging evidence of prevention approaches that promote factors and conditions that can protect vulnerable populations from being victimized and strive to stop people who are at risk of perpetrating from ever doing so in the first place.
NYSCADV provides statewide leadership on public policy issues by promoting legislation, systems, and regulatory change in order to improve institutional responses to domestic violence. The goal of NYSCADV’s public policy work is the passage of state and federal budgets that adequately support the work of local domestic violence advocacy programs; the passage of legislation that will enhance the prevention of and response to domestic violence; and, when necessary, raise concerns about legislation that would negatively impact victims of domestic violence and the provision of services to them. NYSCADV provides assistance to programs to do the same on the local level. NYSCADV also connects with member programs on a variety of legislative initiatives and provides updates on state and national developments.

NYSCADV’s public policy work is informed by membership and allies via the NYSCADV Legislative Committee. The Legislative Committee is a key conduit of information and input between member programs, allies, other experts, and NYSCADV staff. Historically, the Legislative Committee has provided vision and guidance, as well as time and talent toward the implementation of NYSCADV’s annual legislative agenda and strategy. Central to the work of public policy initiatives are the NYSCADV principles for practice and core mission.
For Two Years In A Row, New York State Has The Highest Demand For Domestic Violence Services In The Country

In the State of New York On Just One Day in 2016 …

6,868 Survivors of Domestic Violence Were Served
1,390 Requests For Domestic Violence Services Went Unmet, Largely Due To Funding Cuts

And In The Course Of Two Years …

199 Domestic Violence Program Positions Were Reduced or Eliminated

#1 Highest Demand for Domestic Violence Services in the Country

#PreventDVNY


For More Information Contact: New York State Coalition Against Domestic Violence 518.482.5466 nyscadv@nyscadv.org
The Disaster Preparedness & Response Project grew out of a collaborative effort between NYSCADV and the New York State Office of Children and Family Services and was designed to increase the capacity of domestic violence programs and first responders to prepare for and respond to survivors' needs in the midst of a disaster. The project, funded through FVPSA, was developed in response to recovery efforts in the aftermath of Superstorm Sandy. Disasters like Superstorm Sandy expose the underlying social disparities among vulnerable populations, including victims of intimate partner violence. Domestic violence programs also face challenges to sustain the well-being and resilience of staff both during and after a disaster strikes. Disaster preparedness is important, and practices focused on response, recovery and mitigation are equally important. This project, which also addresses the after-effects of domestic violence homicide and other traumatic events that affect advocates includes: facilitating trainings and discussions with key staff at domestic violence programs across the state and local first responders; maintaining a clearinghouse of resources which includes a searchable database for sheltering pets; and providing support and assistance to programs impacted by natural or human-made disasters through a Critical Incident Stress Management framework. For more information visit the NYSCADV hosted website: www.domesticviolenceanddisaster.org

Increasing accessibility to domestic violence programs continues to be a primary focus of the work that we do. In these ongoing efforts, NYSCADV has gathered feedback from member programs and other stakeholders requesting more targeted, issue specific approaches to the range of issues regarding improving accessibility. Feedback from stakeholders across the state indicates that domestic violence services are, at times, very limited for too many victims. Lack of access to services endangers people even further, and causes retraumatization. The ultimate goal of this project is to work with programs to increase their ability to provide services to all who are eligible and to ensure that those services are offered in a manner that is not limited or retraumatizing in any way.

Some examples of projects in 2017 include hosting webinars and distributing resources regarding best practices in serving immigrant and undocumented survivors, ongoing participation in the NYS LGBTQ Intimate Partner Violence Network, and a continued partnership with the Brain Injury Association of New York providing trainings and technical assistance to programs on the intersections of Domestic Violence and Traumatic Brain Injury.
NYSCADV supports a network of more than 100 domestic violence service providers across New York State, offering in-depth comprehensive capacity building to help them best address the needs of survivors.

**Capacity Building Spotlight**

**TRAUMA INFORMED SERVICES**
- Shelter Rights & Responsibilities
- Mental Health & Substance Abuse
- Working With Families
- Reflective Supervision

**ORGANIZATIONAL TRAUMA**
- Nature of the Work
- Identifying Patterns
- Challenging Assumptions
- Organizational Self Care

**PROGRAM MANAGEMENT**
- State and Federal Regulations
- Community Collaboration
- Staff Development
- Strategic Planning
- Funding and Resources

**PRIMARY PREVENTION**
- Promising Practices
- Evidence Based Initiative
- Social Norms Campaigns

**TECHNOLOGY SAFETY**
- Balancing Risk Management
- Staying Survivor Centered
- Abuse of Technology / Safety Planning
2017’s New York State Legislative Session had a number of noteworthy wins for survivors of domestic violence and the programs that work to support them.

**A375 SIMOTAS / S980 HANNON - RELATES TO THE PROCESSING AND MAINTENANCE OF SEXUAL OFFENSE EVIDENCE KITS**
States explicitly that certain obligations placed on law enforcement entities apply to police and prosecutorial agencies. Also, specifies that Combined DNA Index System (“CODIS”) profiles shall be developed from eligible evidence, and include an inventory requirement and a requirement of quarterly reporting to the leaders of the Senate and Assembly. One year effective date starting February 1, 2017, with paragraphs (a) and (b) of subdivision one of Executive Law section 838-a to take effect in 90 days, and paragraph (c) of such subdivision one to take effect immediately.

**A379 CRESPO / S1067 KLEIN - RELATES TO ACCESS TO THE SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN RELATING TO SPECIALTY FORMULA**
Ensures that participants of the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children program (WIC) will have access to all WIC approved products, including specialty formula. Effective March 15, 2017.

**A2965 PAULIN / S4172 GALLIVAN - RELATES TO SHARING REPORTS OF CHILD ABUSE WITH AGENCY CHARGED WITH CARE OF CHILD**
Requires that the authorized agency and any social services district charged with the care, custody or guardianship of a child receive a copy of a report of suspected abuse or maltreatment of the child where the authorized agency is not the social services district in which the home is located. Effective September 12, 2017.

**A5524-B PAULIN / S4407-B LANZA – ENDING CHILD MARRIAGE**
The age of consent for marriage is increased to 18 years-old; with exceptions for those who are 17 years of age provided that the requirements are met. These requirements include parental written consent as well as written approval and consent of a justice of the Supreme Court or of a judge of the family court. Effective July 20, 2017.

**A7281 PEOPLE-STOKES / S5408 GALLIVAN - RELATES TO ELIGIBILITY FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF CRIME SCENE CLEANUP**
To expand the list of enumerated, surviving family members eligible for reimbursement of crime scene cleanup expenses when a victim/family member is killed in a shared residence. The list is expanded to include add grandparent, parent, stepparent, guardian, brother, sister, stepbrother, stepsister and grandchild to the existing law. Effective July 25, 2017.

**A7439 WALKER / S6406 LANZA - RELATES TO THE DUTIES OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY IN CASES IN WHICH THE FINAL DISPOSITION INCLUDES CONVICTIONS OF CERTAIN FELONIES**
Requires district attorneys to provide the Board of Parole with a copy of the written notice it provides to a crime victim, or his/her family, regarding the disposition of a criminal matter, and the victim’s right to be heard by the Board in connection with the offender's possible release to parole. This will enable the Board to gain access to information about all crime victims so that the Board can readily address matters associated with their possible submission of victim impact statements for its consideration. Effective August 21, 2017.
A7714-A HYNDMAN / S5394-A TEDISCO - RELATES TO ADDING MEMBERS TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL AND THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FATALITY REVIEW TEAM
Provides for the addition of the Superintendent of the Division of State Police to the Office to Prevent Domestic Violence’s Advisory Council and the addition of the Office of Victim Services to the Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team. Effective August 21, 2017.

A2534 ROZIC / S3498 BAILEY - REQUIRES THAT REHABILITATION PROGRAMS FOR FEMALE INMATES IN STATE CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES BE EQUIVALENT TO THOSE PROVIDED TO MALE INMATES ELSEWHERE IN THE STATE
To extend to the female inmate population, anywhere in the State, the same opportunity to participate in programs of rehabilitation that are afforded to the male inmate population. Effective on the 60th day starting from October 23, 2017.

A7793-A PAULIN / S6749 SAVINO - RELATES TO THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF REGISTRATION RECORDS FOR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
This would allow a victim of domestic violence to be able to obtain an order of confidentiality of registration records from a supreme, county, or family court in the county where they are registered. This also clarifies that other records, such as an absentee ballot request containing an address, relating to the domestic violence victim are also to be kept confidential. Effective October 23, 2017.

A9686 BRONSON / S7351 BONACIC – EXTENTION OF COURT AUTHORITY
Extends for two years chapter 363 of the laws of 2010 the chief administrator of the courts’ authority to allow referees to determine applications to a family court for an order of protection during hours family court is in session. Also extends for two years Chapter 219 of the Laws of 2002 which concerns a judicial hearing officer pilot program in family court and related authority to issue orders of protection. Effective June 1, 2016.

A9696 DENDEKKER / S7224 MURPHY – RELATES TO STATEMENTS MADE TO STATE BOARD OF PAROLE BY A CRIME VICTIM
Clarifies all current and prior statements made to the state board of parole by the victim of a crime to be considered when determining whether to grant a discretionary release on parole. Effective October 19, 2016.

A5769-A GALEF / S233-A GOLDEN - ESTABLISHES A TEMPORARY COMMISSION OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PREVENTION
The bill establishes a temporary State commission to study child abuse prevention efforts in New York and report its findings to the Governor and Legislature. Effective December 18, 2017.

A6857 ORITZ / S3338 BAILEY - DEFINES NECESSARY COURT APPEARANCE FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINATION OF CRIME VICTIM’S AWARD
The bill defines the term “necessary court appearance” for the purpose of determining crime victim compensation. “Necessary court appearance” is defined to include any part of trial from arraignment through sentencing, pre and post-trial hearings and grand jury hearings. Effective November 29, 2017.
NYSCADV delivers training and technical assistance in a variety of ways including:

- events, round tables, training forums, and webinars
- contact with local programs and allied organizations seeking guidance regarding state and national laws, rules and regulations, and information about best practices
- responding to requests from survivors seeking assistance

Our training and technical assistance work provides us with vital information about the needs of survivors of domestic violence across New York State.

Beyond Curriculum: Strategies for Engaging Youth in Dating Violence Prevention

Coaching Boys Into Men

Domestic Violence and Traumatic Brain Injury

Domestic Violence Program Directors’ Summit

Exploring the Impact of Natural and Human-caused Disasters: How to Support DV Programs and Survivors in the Aftermath

Financial Empowerment

For Good Measure, Measuring Success on Your Own Terms

Grassroots Organizing

High Risk Case Management

Legislative Advocacy Day

New York State Domestic Violence Prevention Summit

New York State Domestic Violence Regulations Forum

NYSCADV Annual Membership Meeting

Office of Children and Family Services DV Regulations Update Webinar

Safety Planning & Effective Strategies for Working With Immigrant & Undocumented Survivors of Domestic Violence

Technology Safety

Teen Dating Violence Primary Prevention

Trauma Informed Services

Victim Defined Advocacy
In 2017, NYSCADV conducted 43 trainings and events, reaching approximately 1,900 advocates and victim service providers from around the state and nation.
Thank You!
In 2017, Members and Supporters helped us:

- Strengthen the capacity of domestic violence programs to provide trauma informed survivor centered services across the state.
- Improve accessibility to domestic violence services.
- Promote primary prevention strategies that encourage social and cultural change.
- Conduct advocacy through community outreach and resource development.
- Provide statewide leadership on public policy, systems, and regulatory change.

Thank you for helping us work to END domestic violence!
Friends of NYSCADV are a committed group of philanthropic leaders that publicly support the mission, vision, and work of the New York State Coalition Against Domestic Violence. They are dedicated to helping ensure that all survivors of domestic violence have access to the supports and services they need, and are actively committed to creating the social change necessary to prevent domestic violence.

Friends of NYSCADV donate a minimum of $100 annually.

**Support Levels**

- **Supporter** $100
- **Advocate** $250
- **Activist** $500
- **Change Agent** $1,000
- **Champion** $5,000
- **Superhero** $10,000

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