



COALITION ENDING GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

Formerly King County Coalition Against Domestic Violence

2016 Annual Accomplishments

**Working Together for Gender Equity
and Social Justice in King County**

Changing and Improving Systems

Led advocacy efforts and mobilized members to secure over \$1.7 million in new local funding for mobile advocacy, housing support, and legal services for survivors of domestic and sexual violence. As a result, thousands of survivors will find the help they need this year

Represented survivors' and providers' concerns in coordination and policy-development committees that address gender-based violence responses in King County, including ones focused on child abuse, criminal and family law, homelessness, and behavioral health

Led the King County committee that developed a proposed plan for funding regional behavioral health services. The eight-year service plan was approved by the County Executive and Council, and includes mental health programs specifically for survivors of domestic and sexual violence

Collaborated with our allies in the legal system to improve enforcement of firearms restrictions in protection orders

Working Across Disciplines

Trained over 160 professionals on the intersection of trauma and behavioral health

Conducted domestic violence training for the annual meeting of Family Court Facilitators from across Washington

Working Across Disciplines (continued)

Consulted with behavioral health agencies to improve their domestic violence screening and response practices, and promote reciprocal consultation and cross training

Coordinated member involvement in homelessness service system planning, and facilitated a coordinated referral process for domestic violence housing services

Equipping Members with Helpful Tools

Over 500 advocates, attorneys, and therapists learned how to use our DV and Mental Health Collaboration Project's Family Law Toolkits at eight local and national workshops and conferences

Piloted a 10-session Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction class for advocates, attorneys, and mental health clinicians and assessed how it might help providers be more effective in their work with survivors

Created an information sheet on supporting non-abusive caregivers of children who've been sexually assaulted when domestic violence is also an issue for the Washington Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs website and newsletter

Provided training to 235 professionals on county systems changes, engaging communities in violence prevention, restorative and transformative justice, family law tools, responding to racial micro-aggressions, and helping survivors with immigration concerns

Looking forward to 2017, we will...

Kick off a three-year, federally funded project to develop and implement the DV Parenting Assessment Protocol for use by family law professionals

Collaborate with trans community members to publish the 2017 King County Trans Resource and Referral Guide, which aims to expand the safety net for transgender and gender non-conforming people, their families, and communities

Offer three one-day workshops for behavioral health professionals on screening and responding to domestic and sexual violence

Host forums and training sessions on restorative and transformative justice, and other ways to promote solutions to gender-based violence outside of the criminal-legal system

Pilot a Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction course for domestic violence survivors, and issue a report on how it might be offered as a helpful tool to enhance survivors' emotional well-being

Work harder than ever to protect the gains we've made in addressing domestic and sexual violence over the last decade, and sustain our forward momentum in ending gender-based violence!

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