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# Creating a World Free from Violence

2013 ANNUAL REPORT

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# Letter from the President

Dear friend,

Since 1990, the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV) has been the national voice for domestic violence survivors. In that time we have seen domestic violence go from a "private family matter" to a prominent topic of discussion on newspaper covers and in the halls of Congress. And over the past year in particular, we have seen growth within our staff - welcoming five new members of the NNEDV Team- and critical strides made in our continued efforts to protect survivors across the country.

In 2013, we rose to the challenge through the long, hard battle for the reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA). Through our advocacy on Capitol Hill and the support of individuals like you, Congress heard our voices loud and clear when we said that women's lives should not be part of the political tennis match. We also didn't back down in our belief that every individual, regardless of sexual orientation, deserves to be protected. Not only does VAWA continue the important work of protecting women, it is also the first piece of comprehensive legislation to provide protections for members of the LGBT community. What a great victory!

We also held our 8<sup>th</sup> annual census in 2013. This survey provides a snapshot of the domestic violence services accessed on just one single day in all fifty states and six U.S. territories - allowing us to see what is working within domestic violence

programs and where the gaps remain. Federal and state budget cuts continue to prevent shelters from helping all those seeking shelters. Throughout this report you will see snapshots of the #DVcounts Census Report (and the full report, organized by state, can be found at <a href="http://nnedv.org/census">http://nnedv.org/census</a>). I encourage you to take a look and see what your state is doing to support and assist victims of domestic violence.

While we have had successes, it is also clear that our work is not yet done. At NNEDV, we are committed to the cause of ending domestic violence and working to create an environment where abuse, assault, and violence are no longer tolerated. You will see in the following pages what we have done over the past year collectively to end this violent epidemic and support survivors.

We are proud to be the national voice for coalitions and survivors of violence. We firmly believe that together we can create a more peaceful world.

For peace and safety,

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Kim A. Gandy

NNEDV President & CEO

## Who We Are

### **Board Members**

- ★ Victoria Dinges, Allstate Insurance Company (Chair)
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- ★ Debra Chandler, TransAmerica Financial
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- ★ Gloria Terry, Texas Council on Family Violence
- ★ Karen Tronsgard-Scott, Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence
- ★ Alexa Verveer, Discovery Communications
- ★ Kathy England Walsh, Tennessee Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence

## **Staff Members**

- Kristelyn Berry- Office & Safety Net Project Coordinator
- ★ Emily Dahl Grants & Development Specialist
- ★ Alisha Donovan Senior Transitional Housing Specialist
- ★ Kim A. Gandy President & CEO
- ★ Shaina Goodman Public Policy Attorney
- ★ Cheryl Howard Coalition Program Director
- ★ Kaofeng Lee Senior Technology Safety & Communications Specialist
- ★ Lindsay McDaniel- Coalition Technical Assistance and Resource Specialist

- Monica McLaughlin Senior Public Policy Specialist
- ★ Erica Olsen Senior Technology Safety Specialist
- ★ Kim Pentico Senior Economic Justice Specialist
- ★ Rene Renick Vice President of Programs & Emerging Issues
- ★ Stacey Sarver Senior Attorney of NNEDV & WomensLaw Legal Director
- ★ Ashley Slye Transitional Housing Specialist
- ★ Cindy Southworth Vice President of Development & Innovation
- ★ Paulette Sullivan Moore Vice President of Public Policy

## What We Do

The National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV), a social change organization, is dedicated to creating a social, political and economic environment in which violence against women no longer exists.

### **Census: Domestic Violence Counts**

An annual noninvasive, unduplicated count of adults and children who seek services from U.S. domestic violence shelter programs during a single 24-hour survey period. Conducted annually by NNEDV since 2006, the #DVcounts Census takes into account the dangerous nature of domestic violence by using a survey designed to protect the confidentiality and safety of victims.

## **Coalition Capacity**

NNEDV's Coalition Capacity project provides comprehensive, specialized technical assistance and training to the coalitions in order to best address the needs of victims and local domestic violence programs. The coalitions have access to technical assistance regarding best practices at the national level.

### **Economic Justice**

NNEDV's Economic Justice project works to strengthen victim advocates' financial capabilities to better assist survivors of domestic violence move toward an economically sustainable independent life. Through a signature "train-the-trainer" approach, we deliver financial literacy lessons to victim advocates across the country.

## Housing

NNEDV's Housing project supports transitional housing programs across the country, through training, program development, and policy advocacy. We work to enhance services and accessibility for survivors. Domestic violence is a leading cause of homelessness for women and children in the United States and a lack of affordable housing options is regularly reported by survivors as a primary barrier to escaping abuse. Housing programs provide critical services for survivors of domestic violence and are often a key component that allows survivors to flee violence and abuse.

## **Safety Net**

Technology has a major impact on survivors. It can be used by a victim to access help, to strategically maintain safety and privacy, to prove guilt and hold offenders accountable, and to remain connected to family and friends. However, technology can also be misused by abusers and perpetrators in crimes of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and trafficking. NNEDV's Safety Net project focuses on the intersection of technology and domestic and sexual violence and works to address how it impacts the safety, privacy, accessibility, and civil rights of victims.

#### WomensLaw

WomensLaw provides easy-to-understand legal information and resources to survivors living with or escaping domestic violence or sexual assault and their friends, family and advocates. WomensLaw also has an email hotline in which survivors and others can get individualized information and support, which is available in English and Spanish. In 2013, WomensLaw.org had almost 1.2 million unique visitors.

# Positively Safe: Addressing the Intersection between HIV/AIDS and Domestic Violence

Developed in 2010, the Positively Safe program addresses the intersection of HIV/AIDS and domestic violence. Together with the National Domestic Violence & HIV/AIDS Advisory Committee, NNEDV developed a curriculum to train service provider in both fields. The curriculum has a large focus on building collaboration to address the intersection and prevent HIV and domestic violence

## **Public Policy**

Domestic violence affects women and children in every community- large and small, urban and rural- and it continues to be the most underreported crime in America. That's why NNEDV works proactively on Capitol Hill to make ending domestic violence a national priority. NNEDV's members are state and territorial coalitions representing domestic violence shelters and programs in every state and territory in the nation. We work closely with these state and territorial coalitions to understand the ongoing and emerging needs at the local and state level, and then we make sure those needs are heard and understood by policy makers at the national level.

## Where We Go

The course of our work takes us across the country - and sometimes around the world - providing critical trainings and on-site consultations for coalitions, programs, and partners.

- ★ AR Little Rock Stalking Summit
- ★ AR AR Coalition- TA
- ★ CA Los Angeles Training of Trainers Event
- ★ CA NNEDV's Tech Summit in San Jose
- ★ CA Training with Caravan Studios
- ★ DC NNEDV's Advocacy Day Conference on Capitol Hill
- ★ DC GW Law School training law students for the WomensLaw.org Email Hotline
- ★ GA Georgia Coalition & United for Safety
- ★ ID Lewistown YWCA & ID Coalition- Regional Training
- ★ IL Northbrook All State Financial Empowerment Symposium
- ★ IN IN Coalition- TA
- ★ KS KS Coalition-Overview of All State Foundation
- ★ MA MA Coalition- Jane Doe, Inc.
- MN St Paul Upper Midwest Regional Meeting

- ★ MS MS Coalition- TA
- ★ NC Durham Southern States Regional Meeting
- ★ NM NM Coalition Moving Ahead Curriculum
- ★ NY NY Fordham University-Roundtable
- ★ NY New York Verizon Roundtable-Tech Safety
- NY Fordham Law School training law students for the WomensLaw.org Email Hotline
- ★ OR OR Coalition Meeting- TA
- ★ OR Portland Safety & Technology Conference
- ★ PA PA Coalition Training
- ★ PR Site Visit
- ★ VA Richmond state Roundtable
- ★ WA Seattle West Coast Regional Meeting
- ★ WY TAF Grant & Project Overview

## **Conferences**

- ★ Advocacy Day Conference on Capitol Hill
- ★ Financial Empowerment Symposium (Convened in partnership with The Allstate Foundation)
- ★ Social Media at the Verizon Domestic Violence Summit

- ★ Where Technology Meets Confidentiality
- ★ Annual Coalition Roundtable
- ★ Use of Technology in Intimate Partner Stalking
- ★ Technology Summit

### **Webinars**

- ★ Common Technology Misuse & Safety Planning
- ★ Cell Phones & location
- ★ The Online World
- ★ Evidence Collection in Technology-Assisted Crimes
- ★ Legal Remedies for Victims of Technology Abuse
- ★ Working with Survivors with Substance Use Issues Webinar
- ★ Serving Older Survivors Webinar
- ★ Casa de Esperanza
- ★ ACA (Affordable Care Act) Webinar: NNEDV in partnership with HHS (Health & Human Services) and DOL (Department of Labor)
- ★ Saving Fitness
- ★ YIKES! Retirement Planning for Advocates Over 50

## **Trainings**

- ★ Voluntary Services Training
- ★ Serving Survivors of Sexual Assault & Stalking Training
- ★ Accessibility for Transitional Housing Training
- ★ HIV/AIDS Training of Trainers
- ★ Midwest Regional Training
- ★ Oregon Coalition
- ★ United 4 Safety
- ★ YWCA Annual Training
- ★ Law students at Fordham and GW law schools
- ★ WY Coalition-TAF grant an project overview
- ★ NM Coalition- Moving Ahead Curriculum

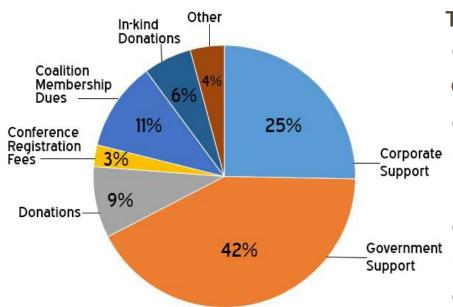
# Our Impact

As an organization, our efforts have affected victims, survivors, advocates, and their families and communities.

In 2013, we:

- ★ Trained 8,537 people
- ★ Spent 319 hours on training
- ★ Responded to 6,406 requests for information and support from survivors and advocates
  - ★ Provided 277 referrals for other needed services
  - ★ Provided intensive in-person consultations in 9 cities
    - ★ Distributed 9,201 resources on domestic violence

# 2013 Financial Summary



## Total Income: \$2,764,752

Government Support: \$1,163,738

Corporate Support: \$699,490

Coalition Membership Dues: \$303,545

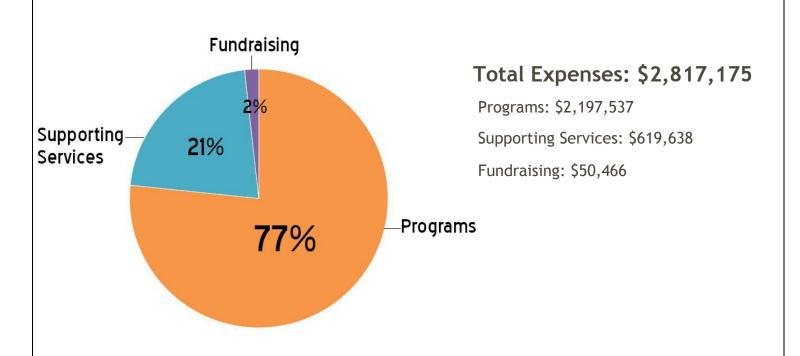
Donations from Individuals: \$243,487

In-kind Donations: \$164,445

Conference Registration Fees: \$74,120

Fundraising Events: n/a

Other: \$115,927



# Thank You

In 2013, your support helped NNEDV continue our efforts to raise awareness around domestic violence. NNEDV continued to connect victims with state coalitions and local programs through our variety projects addressing the long- and short-term causes and consequences of violence against women.

Thank you for taking a stand against domestic violence.