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Letter from the President

Dear Friends and Advocates,

Every year, millions of people are affected by domestic violence. Victims rely on supportive direct services, responsive law enforcement, accessible and affordable housing, legal services, confidentiality, and much more in order to escape life-threatening violence and experience freedom.

Since 1990, the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV) has been a leading national voice for victims of domestic violence and their advocates. We are committed to finding innovative approaches to support survivors, shaping conversations about domestic violence, collaborating with other social justice organizations, and amplifying the work of our network—the 56 state and U.S. territory domestic violence coalitions that connect us to the field and provide vital input on the needs of victims.

In 2017, NNEDV supported coalitions and local programs in disaster-affected areas, establishing ourselves as a communications hub between several federal agencies and coalitions in hard-hit regions. The Independence Project, the first nationally scoped microloan program for survivors of domestic violence, began lending in January and was lending in 36 states by the end of December.

It is my pleasure to share NNEDV's 2017 Annual Report to demonstrate our ongoing progress as we fight domestic violence, support survivors, and advance towards a more just society where safety is attainable for all.

Onward,

Kim A. Gandy
NNEDV President & CEO
Mission & Vision Statements

Our Vision
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.

Our Mission
NNEDV is a membership organization of state and territorial domestic violence coalitions that empowers survivors and their children through a network of national, state and community based organizations. We provide leadership, advocate for effective public policy, improve institutional and cultural systems, share knowledge nationally and internationally, and change societal attitudes about domestic violence.
WHO WE ARE

2017 Board Members

- Jenny Backus, Chair
- Debra Chandler, Vice Chair
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- Michelle Mitchell
- Erica Olsen
- Lara Osman
- Monica McLaughlin
- Tonia Moultrie
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- Sydney Palinkas
- Kim Pentico
- Peter Pieh
- Kim Puchir
- Kara Rhodebeck
- Michelle Robles Torres
- Josie St. John
- Julia Saladino
- Stacey Sarver
- Toby Shulruff
- Ashley Slye
- Cindy Southworth
- Corbin Streett
- Janelle Tupper
WHAT WE DO

Public Policy
We represent victims and their advocates on Capitol Hill to make ending domestic violence a national priority. We work closely with state & territory coalitions to make sure ongoing and emerging needs are heard and understood by policymakers.

Capacity Technical Assistance
Our strength is our network of the 56 U.S. state and territory domestic violence coalitions. We provide specialized consulting and training to support strong coalitions and build their capacity to meet the needs of local domestic violence programs and the victims they serve.

12th Annual Domestic Violence Counts Census
Since 2006, we’ve conducted an annual, un-duplicated count of adults and children seeking services from U.S. domestic violence programs during a single 24-hour period. Learn more about #DVCounts at NNEDV.org/Census.

Positively Safe: The Intersection of Domestic Violence and HIV/AIDS
We developed a curriculum with the National Domestic Violence & HIV/AIDS Advisory Committee to address this intersection and promote collaboration.

Housing
Domestic violence is a leading cause of homelessness among women and children. We work to strengthen housing policy and practice, increasing services and accessibility for survivors through systems advocacy and collaboration, public policy, and training.

Economic Justice
We help survivors move from short-term safety to long-term security. Our curriculum, in partnership with Allstate Foundation Purple Purse, strengthens advocates’ financial expertise to help survivors of domestic violence overcome financial abuse. The Independence Project provides credit-building microloans for survivors.

Technology Safety
Technology can be used to empower survivors; however, it is often misused to perpetrate violence. We focus on the intersection of technology with domestic and sexual violence and work to address how it impacts the safety, privacy, accessibility, and civil rights of victims.

WomensLaw
WomensLaw.org provides state-specific, plain language legal information for victims and advocates. Through the WomensLaw Email Hotline, we provide individualized information and support. All services are available in English and Spanish.
### 2017 HIGHLIGHTS

**Supporting Coalitions Affected by Natural Disasters**

Disasters such as wildfires, hurricanes, and flooding affected domestic violence programs in many states and U.S. territories during 2017. NNEDV served as a national hub for information and support between coalitions, local programs, and federal funding agencies. We contacted every coalition in the path of storms and equipped them with checklists to help them prepare.

We checked in with coalitions regularly and provided comprehensive updates to federal agencies. We helped guide federal funders through the impacts that disasters could have upon programs, from damage to buildings to the cost of evacuations and more. We developed a set of questions that have been adopted by the Family Violence Prevention and Services Program (FVPSA) office as the standard protocol they use to get disaster updates.

To directly assist areas affected by natural disasters, we set up an online donation campaign and sent 100% of the proceeds to help local programs rebuild and continue to offer needed services to victims of domestic violence. NNEDV has been involved with the long-term disaster relief needs of the hard-hit states and U.S. territories by asking these coalitions to identify the needs of programs, advocates, and survivors in their areas.

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*Many survivors were emotionally triggered by the threat, fear, and uncertainty that the approach and experience of the hurricane caused.*

- Florida Advocate

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*One survivor had her abuser steal her car keys so she could not evacuate. An advocate was able to get a locksmith to donate their services to make her a new key and get her back on the road.*

- Florida Advocate
In November 2017, NNEDV convened a press conference on Capitol Hill to promote the Fix NICS Act, S. 2135, by bringing together several national domestic violence and law enforcement organizations. Speakers included two co-sponsors of the bill, Senators Chris Murphy (D-CT) and Richard Blumenthal (D-CT), as well as Senator John Cornyn (R-TX).

The Fix NICS Act would ensure that individuals convicted of domestic violence are tracked by the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) and prevented from obtaining firearms. In early November, a shooter took the lives of 26 people at a church in Sutherland Springs, Texas; the Fix NICS Act would have prevented the shooter from obtaining a firearm.

Kim Gandy, NNEDV; Ruth Glenn, National Coalition Against Domestic Violence; Giovanna Rodriguez, survivor of domestic violence; Major Neill Franklin (Ret.), Law Enforcement Action Partnership; Esta Soler, FUTURES Without Violence; and Gloria Terry, Texas Council on Family Violence, all spoke at the event.

NNEDV’s advocacy on the Fix NICS Act generated significant media coverage from outlets such as The New York Times and NPR.
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNTS

12th Annual Domestic Violence Counts Census

In 2017, NNEDV conducted the 12th annual Domestic Violence Counts Census. Here's what we found...

Our census is a critical tool for advocacy that is used at the local, state, and national level to advocate for increased funding for services.

Learn more at NNEDV.org/Census and #DVcounts
4,210 Individualized Consultations Provided
We provided in-depth problem-solving and support to survivors, local programs, coalitions, and others. We addressed specific, complex issues that cross our multiple areas of expertise.

8,695 People Trained
Our training rarely stops with the person who is trained—individuals almost always share this information with their colleagues, coworkers, and communities. More than 8,600 people brought critical information and skills back to their communities after attending a training presented by NNEDV.

184,806 Resources Distributed
Tip sheets, fact sheets, toolkits, summaries of laws, sample policies, and more were shared with coalitions, local programs, survivors, national partners, and others. Learn more about our resources at NNEDV.org/Resources.

1,539,123 People Reached Online
More than 240,000 people visited NNEDV.org in 2017. More than 1.2 million people visited WomensLaw.org in 2017, and WomensLaw's resources and information were viewed more than 3 million times.
2,765
Responses to the WomensLaw Email Hotline

Here is some feedback from survivors who used the hotline:

"Thank you so much for your kind, helpful, and quick reply. You have mentioned many options resources I had not considered. I am exploring those now. My situation is desperate and I feel hopeless. I really appreciate the time you took to respond and offer such good advice."

"Thank you so much for the thoughtful and comprehensive response. I find your response incredibly helpful and stress relieving. If it is okay with you, I may be in touch if I have further questions. I just want to take this opportunity to say thank you for your service and humanitarian work. I have no money whatsoever to consult with a lawyer because part of my abusive situation is financial. I was feeling rather hopeless about the legal side of things until I received your email. Thank you for providing me with a ray of hope."

"You have been more helpful, in just the few emails you have sent, than ANYONE has in the past 2 years! Thank you."

WomensLaw.org
Because knowledge is power.
CHEFS TAKE A STAND TO END DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Dock 5 @ Union Market
More than 275 people gathered for #CTAS17 on October 2, 2017. This annual event features a selection of Washington, DC's best chefs and mixologists. Friends of NNEDV come for the food, stay for the cause, and do their part to help end domestic violence.

2017 Host Committee:
- Jenny Backus, Backus Consulting
- Jonathan Lindsley, Chemonics International
- Kaitlin Sullivan, Facebook
- Victoria Boston, Frontier Communications
- Heather West, Mozilla
- Kim Gandy, NNEDV
- Cindy Southworth, NNEDV

2017 Sponsors:
- Allstate Foundation Purple Purse
- Facebook
- PepsiCo
- Thirty-One Gifts
- Uber
- Airbnb
- EagleBank
- IBEX Global
- Sykes Enterprises
- Backus Consulting
- International Brotherhood of Boilermakers
- Everytown for Gun Safety
- National Domestic Violence Hotline (NDVH)
- Bonnie Cohen
- David and Darcy Diggs
- Randi Wright
October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM). Each year, NNEDV uses DVAM to raise awareness about domestic violence and inspire others to take action.

#31n31 Campaign

DVAM is an opportunity for everyone to take a stand against domestic violence. We invite supporters to join us and get involved through our annual #31n31 campaign. For DVAM 2017, the #31n31 theme was Beyond the Buzzwords. Through this campaign, we examined what common buzzwords in the domestic violence prevention field mean to us.

National Week of Action

From October 15-21, 2017, NNEDV invited supporters to participate in the National Week of Action:

- Conversation Sunday
- Media Monday
- Twitter Chat Tuesday
- Write-In Wednesday
- #PurpleThursday
- Film Friday
- Shout-Out Saturday
WE ARE PROUD OF OUR FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Total 2017 Income: $5,847,324
- Membership Dues: $343,417
- Fundraising Events: $81,941
- Government Grants: $3,018,420
- Other Contributions: $118,150
- Corporate Support: $1,695,776
- Consulting: $432,437
- Conference Registration Fees: $135,660
- Other Income: $21,523

Total 2017 Expenses: $4,965,614
- Fundraising: $164,770
- Program Services: $4,555,559
  1. Safety Net: $1,199,981
  2. Coalition Technical Assistance: $968,393
  3. Housing: $742,236
  4. Economic Justice: $665,570
  5. WomensLaw: $390,624
  6. Public Policy: $374,815
  7. Small Projects: $213,940
- Other: $245,285

2017 Total Assets: $2,771,898
- Net Assets: $3,953,185
- Liabilities: $1,181,287
Thank you for standing with us against domestic violence!

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