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Credits towards VOCA/RASA/VOJO training requirements are available for all sessions (unless indicated otherwise in the session description).  To receive training credits:  1) you must be logged into the session and 2) the WebEx application must be on your computer for the entire duration of the session.  As the OVS recognizes that emergencies may arise and you may not be able to attend the entire session, there is no prohibition against attending part of a session (although training credits will not be given in that instance).

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# Attention RASA/VOJO Programs: 2nd Quarter Reports

Program & fiscal reports for the 2nd Quarter of the current 2021-2022 RASA/VOJO grants must be submitted in Egrants by **Tuesday, July 20th:**

If you have any questions or need assistance completing your quarterly program reports, please contact Vicki McCloskey at [Vmccloskey@pa.gov](mailto:Vmccloskey@pa.gov) or (717) 265-8746, or Maria Katulis at [mkatulis@pa.gov](mailto:mkatulis@pa.gov) or (717) 265-8741.

For fiscal report questions, please contact the fiscal staff person listed on your grant.  For technical assistance with Egrants, please contact the Egrants Support Line at (717) 787-5887.

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# Pennsylvania Drops Opposition to Purdue Pharma Bankruptcy

15 States including Pennsylvania have dropped opposition to [Purdue Pharma](https://apnews.com/article/purdue-pharma-opioid-settlement-2bb248ad904a0ef737c3645a73f001b6) declaring bankruptcy. The attorney general reached an agreement that includes about $1.5 billion more than it initially did.

Please click [here](https://www.abc27.com/news/local/harrisburg/pennsylvania-among-15-states-to-drop-opposition-to-purdue-pharma-bankruptcy/) to read.

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# Transformational Collaboration: Considerations To Apply A Racial Equity Lens

The National Resource Center for Reaching Victims, Caminar Latino, and Latinos United for Peace and Equity, has important recommendations to increase the diversity and inclusiveness of our organizations and entire field

Please click [here](https://reachingvictims.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/TransformationalCollaboration-100920-Rev6.pdf) to read.

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# Hard Truths And The Duty To Change

[Hard Truths and the Duty to Change: Recommendations for Change from the Independent Review Commission on Sexual Assault in the Military](https://media.defense.gov/2021/Jul/02/2002755437/-1/-1/0/IRC-FULL-REPORT-FINAL-1923-7-1-21.PDF/IRC-FULL-REPORT-FINAL-1923-7-1-21.PDF) is a very important read for anyone interested in improving sexual assault victims’ sense of safety in reporting crimes and accessing victim services within the U.S. Military.

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# Find Balance In Advocacy Workflow Through Tech

The National Sexual Violence Resource Center has a recent article about balancing work life and personal life as an advocate. The more ways we can be connecting, learning, and doing can reinforce a constant pressure to do more. A balanced workflow will look different to everyone — but by finding what it means to you, you’re not only deepening your connection to the issue but also defining the future of what it means to engage with this work as an advocate.

Please click [here](https://nsvrc.medium.com/find-balance-in-advocacy-workflow-through-tech-cdbc5bae5c8) to read.

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# Victims, Survivors & The Media

Canadian former journalist and current researcher/educator Tamara Cherry has a *YOUTUBE* presentation with information about what IS and IS NOT helpful to victims when dealing with the news media in the aftermath of violent crime.

Please click [here](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G71e9qWcq9w) to view.

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# Facebook Message Leads To Warrant In Years-Old Rape Claim

Shannon Keeler was enjoying a weekend getaway with her boyfriend last year when she checked her Facebook messages for the first time in ages. A name popped up that stopped her cold. “So I raped you,” the person said in a burst of unread messages sent six months earlier. After verifying the account, and after Keeler told her story to the Associated Press, a new team of police and prosecutors on Tuesday obtained an arrest warrant, charging Ian Cleary, 28, of Saratoga, California, with sexually assaulting Keeler when they were students at Gettysburg College in 2013. Police say they had not yet located him and aren’t sure where he is. So, it’s still not clear whether Keeler will see the case go to trial.

Please click [here](https://apnews.com/article/education-0dd9b05c9bd3659acb78d79f91a4fef1) to read more.

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# A Health Equity Approach To Preventing Sexual Violence

Sexual harassment, abuse, and assault can have short- and long-term physical, emotional, and psychological effects on a person’s well-being and impact an entire community, from the culture and connections between people to the economic toll. Preventing sexual violence means we all must address deep-rooted abuses of power that contribute to inequities in health, safety, and well-being. A health equity approach to preventing sexual violence means that we need to both understand and address the factors that contribute to violence and safety and factors that expose some communities — especially communities that have been historically oppressed — to higher rates of sexual violence.

Please click [here](https://www.nsvrc.org/sites/default/files/2021-06/health_equity_approach_to_preventing_sv_final508_0.pdf) to read.

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# 2021 Pathfinder Awards Nominations NOW OPEN!

We are excited to announce the nominations for the Governor's Victim Service Pathfinder Awards for 2021 is now open. If you are interested in nominating an individual or program for one of the categories of the Pathfinder Awards, now is the time to consider who best embraces the spirit of the awards. Submitting a nomination is a great way to show respect and appreciation for the efforts made by our very own victim service advocates and allied professionals! Nomination information for the 2021 Pathfinder Awards is now available at the [2021 Pathfinder Award Nomination Form](https://na.eventscloud.com/eSites/622518/Homepage) .

Pathfinder Award Categories:

* Allied Professional
* Community Service
* Individual Direct Service
* Organizational Capacity Building
* Outstanding Student Activist
* Prevention Education & Outreach
* Program
* Survivor Activist

**Deadline for submission is July 30, 2021.**

If you have any nomination or eligibility related questions, please email  [RA-CD-PATHFINDER@pa.gov](mailto:RA-CD-PATHFINDER@pa.gov)

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# Now Accepting Workshop Proposals For 2021 Pathways For Victim Services – Deadline July 30, 2021

Do you have a desire to teach others? Have you conducted a victim services-related research project, and are looking for a venue to share your results? Have you implemented a new program, and are wanting to share your success with others? We are seeking professionals who have not only developed worthwhile programs, but whom also have a successful track record in demonstrating those programs, to submit workshop proposals.

We are seeking workshops proposals that facilitate cross-systems programs; community partnerships; and that are leveraging local and state government allied professionals to better address the needs of victims of crime.

Panel discussions with broad representation are strongly encouraged.

We are also seeking workshops whose primary aim is to put another tool in the victim advocate’s toolbox, and are requesting that workshop proposals include, when applicable, forms, assessment tools, templates for Excel documents, or other resources that facilitate either service delivery, or program analysis.

Each proposal will be reviewed and scored by the committee.  Subjects to consider submitting a proposal for can include, but not limited to:

* Human Trafficking
* Substance Abuse
* Working with Trauma
* Restorative Justice
* Emergency Shelter/Housing
* Telehealth Services
* Transportation
* Elderly Victims of Crime
* LGBTQ
* People of Color
* Victims with Disabilities
* Immigrants
* Limited English Proficiency
* Victims of Financial Crimes
* Children and the Homeless

Click [here](https://na.eventscloud.com/eSites/622518/Homepage) to access the workshop proposal form.

If you have any questions regarding the conference, or workshop proposal process, please email  [RA-CD-PATHFINDER@pa.gov](mailto:RA-CD-PATHFINDER@pa.gov)

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# Save The Date! 2021 Pathways Conference

The Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency’s Office of Victims’ Services is very excited to announce preparation has begun for the 2021 Pathways for Victim Services Conference. This year’s conference will be held virtually on October 26, 27, and 28.

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# STOP Formula Grant 2022-2024 (Competitive) Funding Announcement NOW OPEN!

The Office of Victims’ Services (OVS) of the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) is pleased to announce the availability of up to $12 Million in federal STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant funding for projects beginning January 1, 2022. County governments and non-profit victim service agencies are eligible to apply for up to three years of funding, with projects not to exceed a total of $375,000 or $125,000 per year.

Under this solicitation, funds are being made available to support a multidisciplinary approach to improve criminal, civil, and juvenile justice systems’ response to violence against women and to enhance advocacy and services available to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and dating violence. The emphasis on the STOP Program is on the implementation of comprehensive victim services, healthcare, law enforcement, and prosecutorial strategies addressing violence against women that are sensitive to the needs and safety of victims and hold offenders accountable for their crimes.

Applications must be submitted in PCCD’s Egrants system no later than August 3, 2021**.**

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# Rural Sustainability Part 1: Orientation & Training

We all know what it feels like to be dunked in to the deep end of the swimming pool before we really know how to swim. Confusing, scary, and uncertain! So how do we avoid dunking new advocates into the deep end when our work is so busy and there is so much work to be done? Join Leah Green and Val Davis for an interactive conversation about orienting, training, and supervising new rural advocates. This conversation will help rural programs set themselves up for sustainable sexual assault services with creative and supported advocates for years to come. To register, click [here](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_fv7z5JXMSf6S04-3N7uw8A).

**Aug 12, 2021 02:00 PM CST**

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# ****Innovations At The Intersection Webinar****

**Thursday, July 20th from 2:00 to 3:30 PM EST**

End Abuse of People with Disabilities is hosting its first webinar where they will highlight the [**Survivor Support Packet**](https://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=0016Bv4xaTjshqNBy5mGlkuZEU0llPYRKvXx6oA0n_coYvMUf08xRzBpnnL4RZqD6Rj692U2rTbxePjRp4oYOxq_Z4ZJw3Lrr4nnIAtf8QK40Hx2J2tdj7Tiph0LlkzqUXrVUeT__Getlij2hYVUSFjOp9b6YexpPzv849ywJo0qTKYa7ZTiB-iqmeai52koCS7s3580oZKrUMJB9GDcFvT2ocdjcQthPwRsy3OVx4eMn8=&c=_f_fNSY11rUGoYGu9nAb27pkvj66-A3-tsVpbBGXubd5CmZ9VJtspA==&ch=41F3a_eLuK44gmvYHPdCmUH6AxaVztQqqxiYOc1C04B95MURWiF0Fw==), a support guide for survivors of sexual assault with disabilities.

Please click [here](https://verainstitute.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ENg8PtR0QKOZhkglfINNkA) for more information.

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# 2022 National Crime Victims' Rights Week - April 24 - 30, 2022

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| |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Recognize those supporting victims and expanding access to justice.](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fovc.ojp.gov%2Fnews%2Fannouncement%2F2022-national-crime-victims-service-awards-nomination-period-opens%3Futm_campaign%3Dncvsa2022%26utm_content%3Demail1_announcement%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_source%3Dncvrw&data=04%7C01%7Cledorsey%40pa.gov%7C3941ae35e15f456f5aab08d93734e0c8%7C418e284101284dd59b6c47fc5a9a1bde%7C0%7C0%7C637601522521532337%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=9PqKdUI6bgIII1AVID6VVotfqRSgzgF1obFFbncV%2FYQ%3D&reserved=0) The nomination period for the 2022 National Crime Victims’ Service Awards is now open.  Each year, the Office for Victims of Crime recognizes extraordinary individuals, teams, programs, and organizations that demonstrate outstanding achievements in supporting victims and expanding access to justice during National Crime Victims’ Rights Week (NCVRW). In 2022, NCVRW will be commemorated April 24–30.  Recipients are selected from [**12 unique award categories**](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fovcncvrw.ncjrs.gov%2Fawards%2Fabout.html%3Futm_campaign%3Dncvsa2022%26utm_content%3Demail1_announcement%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_source%3Dncvrw&data=04%7C01%7Cledorsey%40pa.gov%7C3941ae35e15f456f5aab08d93734e0c8%7C418e284101284dd59b6c47fc5a9a1bde%7C0%7C0%7C637601522521532337%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=qyxhj%2BZuMq%2FHzeWyUNqFLNAmZg%2BjZlha5U1LECrZfsI%3D&reserved=0)and honored at the National Crime Victims’ Service Awards Ceremony.  [Learn about past honorees](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fovcncvrw.ncjrs.gov%2FAwards%2FadvancedGallerySearch.aspx%3Futm_campaign%3Dncvsa2022%26utm_content%3Demail1_announcement%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_source%3Dncvrw&data=04%7C01%7Cledorsey%40pa.gov%7C3941ae35e15f456f5aab08d93734e0c8%7C418e284101284dd59b6c47fc5a9a1bde%7C0%7C0%7C637601522521542298%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=p6HdL8WWknJ2DxR0ceh%2FprHu8wfR270YZvX3M5GGp2g%3D&reserved=0), and if you know a similarly deserving individual or group, submit your nominations for the 2022 National Crime Victims’ Service Awards by Monday, August 2, 2021.  Thank you for taking the time to recognize those who support victims and survivors of crime and make contributions in the victim services field. [NOMINATE TODAY](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fovcncvrw.ncjrs.gov%2Fawards%2Fpreparation.html%3Futm_campaign%3Dncvsa2022%26utm_content%3Demail1_announcement%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_source%3Dncvrw&data=04%7C01%7Cledorsey%40pa.gov%7C3941ae35e15f456f5aab08d93734e0c8%7C418e284101284dd59b6c47fc5a9a1bde%7C0%7C0%7C637601522521542298%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=nS3qTgkrbwy6DmTsWoK%2BwLODWyFaNvBinvP1Sk4sGDA%3D&reserved=0) If you haven't already, subscribe to the National Crime Victims’ Rights Week [subscription list](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fovc.ncjrs.gov%2Fncvrw%2Fsubscribe%2F%3Futm_campaign%3Dncvsa2022%26utm_content%3Demail1_announcement%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_source%3Dncvrw&data=04%7C01%7Cledorsey%40pa.gov%7C3941ae35e15f456f5aab08d93734e0c8%7C418e284101284dd59b6c47fc5a9a1bde%7C0%7C0%7C637601522521552264%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=bjauece%2BZ%2B4JHWNdV6zGSrFHSVpLykUuofiOycWDs6c%3D&reserved=0) to stay up to date on the latest information and news. | | **Your feedback makes us better!** Let us know how we might improve our communications to better serve you. [Take a quick survey.](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fprotect2.fireeye.com%2Fv1%2Furl%3Fk%3D0dcf2cc2-52541593-0dc80827-ac1f6b01770e-31a600dd54ebf9f9%26q%3D1%26e%3Daadf0c10-9cf9-4233-a6b7-7fc0158c4dea%26u%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Fsurvey.foreseeresults.com%252Fsurvey%252Fdisplay%253Fcid%253Dd0FFchJxMJNB99s0MZpIsw%25253D%25253D%2526cpp%25255BCampaign%25255D%253Dhousing_assistance_ht_fy20_webinar_12.3.2019%2526sid%253Denews-link%2526utm_campaign%253Dncvsa2022%2526utm_content%253Demail1_announcement%2526utm_medium%253Demail%2526utm_source%253Dncvrw&data=04%7C01%7Cledorsey%40pa.gov%7C3941ae35e15f456f5aab08d93734e0c8%7C418e284101284dd59b6c47fc5a9a1bde%7C0%7C0%7C637601522521552264%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=mTA5KiRIocaxdAbOPRU85z3%2FRTmPy%2F%2F%2FNF1CAxgymic%3D&reserved=0) | | [facebook](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2FOJPOVC%2F%3Futm_campaign%3Dncvsa2022%26utm_content%3Demail1_announcement%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_source%3Dncvrw&data=04%7C01%7Cledorsey%40pa.gov%7C3941ae35e15f456f5aab08d93734e0c8%7C418e284101284dd59b6c47fc5a9a1bde%7C0%7C0%7C637601522521552264%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=7qb3mZ7rDdjpV%2B1AyHu4eI9sbmTXaHuaLq6IUyBK99g%3D&reserved=0)[twitter](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ftwitter.com%2FOJPOVC%3Futm_campaign%3Dncvsa2022%26utm_content%3Demail1_announcement%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_source%3Dncvrw&data=04%7C01%7Cledorsey%40pa.gov%7C3941ae35e15f456f5aab08d93734e0c8%7C418e284101284dd59b6c47fc5a9a1bde%7C0%7C0%7C637601522521562216%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=MKDsKGRt2BnZ1E6N%2FpEeQisTbAgzvmj7ZOaroMQXI6k%3D&reserved=0)[youtube](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.youtube.com%2FOJPOVC%3Futm_campaign%3Dncvsa2022%26utm_content%3Demail1_announcement%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_source%3Dncvrw&data=04%7C01%7Cledorsey%40pa.gov%7C3941ae35e15f456f5aab08d93734e0c8%7C418e284101284dd59b6c47fc5a9a1bde%7C0%7C0%7C637601522521562216%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=KCSd3VdXVnbIY23J5FIMUfaZGj939WItp1qZY2DwBQY%3D&reserved=0) | | |

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# Battered Women’s Justice Project Webinars

* **August 12th, 2:00pm -3:00pm CT**  
  [Developing CCR Policies and Practices to Reduce Victim Intimidation](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fbwjp.us11.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3D554dc701fd0b3a38d610ccc2c%26id%3Dc13ea5a9f5%26e%3D3f06977344&data=04%7C01%7Cledorsey%40pa.gov%7C7d666f1395bf42c139ac08d92b5ff777%7C418e284101284dd59b6c47fc5a9a1bde%7C0%7C0%7C637588514081667977%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=VBffOgJxhk31oqCHb%2BPZjyXv4euQbQSerEWHwxRUr7g%3D&reserved=0)

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# 2021 Foundational Academy

Should an Academy need to be switched to a Virtual Academy via Zoom due to COVID-19 restrictions, participants will be notified, and registrations will automatically transfer.

As a reminder, there have been changes made to the attendance requirements for Foundational Academies. VOCA-funded attorneys doing Civil Legal Services for their agencies must instead attend and complete the PA Legal Aid Network Training. Additionally, licensed therapists, contractors, and consultants such as bookkeepers and accountants no longer need to attend. Please contact your PCCD Grant Monitor with any questions about the new attendance requirements. Each Academy is capped at 50 participants. To allow more agencies to send staff members, we are now limiting the number of registrations per agency/office to 8 for each Academy. Additional staff members can be added to the waitlist. Foundational Academies remaining for this year: October 13 - 15 and, if in-person, will be held at the Graduate State College. Accommodations and lunch are included with registration and there is no registration fee. Please mark your calendar and plan to register that day. Spots fill extremely quickly, usually within hours!

Please contact Amy Smulktis at [AJS@RestitutionConsulting.com](mailto:AJS@RestitutionConsulting.com) or refer to the [Training Calendar](https://www.pdaa.org/pdai-training-calendar/).

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# Victims Compensation Assistance Program Online Trainings

The following trainings will be held on July 21, 2021.

* Funeral & Burial Expenses Clinic - 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
* Motor Vehicle-Related Crime Expenses Clinic – 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

The following trainings will be held on July 27, 2021.

* Stolen Benefit Cash Expenses Clinic - 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
* Relocation Expenses Clinic – 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

The following trainings will be held on August 3, 2021.

* Basic Compensation - 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

The following trainings will be held on August 11, 2021.

* Loss of Earnings Clinic - 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
* Counseling Expenses Clinic – 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

The following trainings will be held on August 16, 2021.

* Loss of Support Clinic - 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
* Transportation Expenses Clinic – 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

All trainings count towards 1 hour of the required RASA/VOCA/VOJO training hours, except Basic Compensation which counts towards 2 and DAVE training which counts towards 2.15.

Please click [here](https://pccd.webex.com/mw3300/mywebex/default.do?siteurl=pccd&service=6) to register.

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# Pennsylvania Victim Services Training (PVST) Online Learning Management System

PCCD’s Office of Victims’ Services (OVS) offers its Pennsylvania Victim Services Training (PVST) Online Learning Management System to fill a need for easily accessible, high-quality, free training for victim advocates at PCCD-funded programs. PVST courses count for PCCD training hours and courses can be taken as the learner’s schedule permits. The PVST also keeps a record of a user’s course completion and credit hours earned.  The courses on the PVST are designed to complement, reinforce and enhance the PCCD Foundational Academy and the online offerings on the learning management systems operated by PCADV, PCAR and the Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association.

The PVST is resource center for PCCD funded programs and allied professionals whose work brings them into contact with crime victim populations to receive free, quality, and easily accessible training. The training is Pennsylvania-specific, web based, and can be taken on the student’s own timeframe. There are currently 24 approved programs, totaling 48 hours of training, on the PVST.

To access the PVST, please click [here](https://pavictimservicestraining.org/). The registration code is 7223.

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# Network of Victim Assistance – Employment Opportunities

Network of Victim Assistance (NOVA) is a nonprofit organization serving victims of sexual assault and other crimes. Located in Bucks County, PA, NOVA is the comprehensive victim services organization in Bucks County.  With a 45-year history, NOVA has expanded to include a continuum of prevention and direct services to prevent and address the needs of victims of sexual abuse and other serious crimes.  NOVA is known across many disciplines and the community at large for its exceptional services and professionalism.  With a 4.5-million-dollar operating budget, NOVA continues to grow.  As a mature and fiscally sound organization, establishing sustainability is key to our future success -- serving all victims who need services, educating the community at large on violence prevention in our community, and providing top-ranked professional trainings.

Please click [here](https://www.novabucks.org/about/employment/) to view current job opportunities.

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# Blackburn Center – Employment Opportunities

Blackburn Center advocates for the rights of all individuals to live free from domestic and sexual violence and other forms of violence by eliminating the root causes of this violence and providing for the well-being and safety of survivors/victims.

Please click [here](https://www.indeed.com/cmp/Blackburn-Center/jobs) to view current job opportunities.

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# Turning Point Of Lehigh Valley – Employment Opportunities

Turning Point of Lehigh Valley is expanding its team! We are a non-profit working to eliminate domestic and intimate partner abuse in the Lehigh Valley.

Please click [here](https://www.turningpointlv.org/home/employment-and-contract-opportunities/) to view current job opportunities.

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# Victims Resource Center – Employment Opportunities

Victims Resource Center is a non-profit organization serving victims of all crimes in Luzerne, Carbon and Wyoming Counties in Northeast Pennsylvania since 1974.  VRC provides non-judgmental support and services to victims, their families and significant others in addition to a wide variety of prevention education programs.  All services are confidential and offered at no cost.

Please click [here](https://vrcnepa.org/careers/) to view current job opportunities.

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# Justice At Work – Employment Opportunities

Justice at Work is a nonprofit legal aid provider.  Our mission is to support low-wage workers as they pursue economic and social justice. We advance our mission through the provision of legal services, education, and advocacy.

Please click [here](https://www.idealist.org/en/nonprofit-job/d72c3347c9a4409b9dd9e8b4cba0dc13-admin-intake-paralegal-justice-at-work-formerly-friends-of-farmworkers-philadelphia) to view current job opportunities.

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# The Crime Victims Center Of Fayette County – Employment Opportunities

Community Resources of Fayette County, Inc. d.b.a Crime Victims Center of Fayette County, is a private, non-profit Community Based Comprehensive Victim Service Program.  We are located in Southwestern Pa in a rural, mountainous region with a population of 126,000.  We provide free and confidential services to victims of sexual assault and other violent crimes.

Please click [here](https://www.crimevictimscenter.com/index.php/about-us/employment.html) to view current job opportunities.

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# Domestic Violence Service Center – Employment Opportunities

Domestic Violence Service Center is a private, non-profit organization providing comprehensive services, shelter, advocacy and support to victims of domestic violence. DVSC offers victims and their children a place where they can be safe, a respite from abuse, a place where they can heal, a place where they can put their lives back in order and plan for a brighter and violence-free future. We want victims of domestic violence to know they are not alone.

We serve the counties of Luzerne, Wyoming and Carbon without regard to race, color, creed, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, age, handicap, mental health/intellectual disability or religion.

Our mission is to work toward the elimination of domestic violence.

Please click [here](https://domesticviolenceservice.org/about-us/career-opportunities.html) to view current job opportunities.

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# Pennsylvania Immigration Resource Center – Employment Opportunities

The Pennsylvania Immigration Resource Center (PIRC), a non-profit organization founded on the belief of equal access to justice, works to protect immigrants’ rights to freedom and opportunity in the United States and save the lives of the most vulnerable immigrants and their families.  PIRC provides free, effective legal representation, legal counsel, education, and advocacy to help immigrants obtain or protect their legal status.

Please click [here](https://www.pirclaw.org/employment/) to view current job opportunities.

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# Domestic Violence Services Of Cumberland & Perry Counties – Employment Opportunities

Domestic Violence Services of Cumberland and Perry Counties (DVSCP)! DVSCP is a private, non-profit organization that supports the empowerment of those who are experiencing domestic violence through the provision of direct services and the promotion of nonviolence through social and systems change.

Please click [here](https://www.dvscp.org/employment/) to view current job opportunities.

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# Office For Child And Youth Protection – Employment Opportunities

The Office for Child and Youth Protection (OCYP) supports the Archdiocese of Philadelphia’s commitment to create and maintain safe environments for the children who attend its churches and schools and provides compassionate and supportive assistance to individuals and family members of those who have been the victims/survivors of child sexual abuse.

Please click [here](https://archphila.applicantpro.com/jobs/1796507.html) to view current job opportunities.

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If your program is offering new or extended services, or implementing new initiatives that you would like to highlight, please submit your news article to Lea Dorsey at [ledorsey@pa.gov](mailto:ledorsey@pa.gov).

The next OVS Newsletter will be published on Wednesday, **July 28, 2021**.  If you would like any training events, fundraisers, or notable news published in this newsletter, please submit them to Lea Dorsey at [ledorsey@pa.gov](mailto:ledorsey@pa.gov)  by Wednesday, **July 21, 2021**.

You have signed up to receive the OVS Newsletter from the Office of Victims' Services.  This newsletter will be sent to you on a biweekly basis via email.  If your email address changes or you would like to be removed from the OVS Newsletter distribution list, please contact Lea Dorsey at (717) 265-8733 or via email at [ledorsey@pa.gov](mailto:ledorsey@pa.gov).

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