

Voices Against Sexual Assault



MONTHLY UPDATE

DECEMBER 2010

2011 VOICES Event Schedule: Call for Events!

During 2010, Voices Against Sexual Assault expanded our community presence to include health and wellness fairs at Western Michigan University and Kalamazoo Valley Community College, a successful annual event hosted at the YWCA Kalamazoo and several classroom panel presentations about sexual assault. Let's see if we can increase that presence in 2011!

For the 2011 community events schedule, VOICES is seeking community organizations, classrooms and groups who would like to take advantage of our *free* community education services.

The goal of our community education presentations is to raise awareness about sexual assault in our community including educating the community about perpetrators of sexual assault.

We do this by sending individuals or entire panels of professionals to events, classrooms and organizations to

discuss the reality of sexual assault including, but not limited to: personal stories of survivors, discussions about working with survivors and perpetrators, explanations of legal processes and the law, sexual assault statistics, myths and facts about survivors and perpetrators of sexual assault, and more!

Each community presentation can be carefully tailored to meet the needs of the audience we are presenting to in order to ensure that each presentation is a success! Additionally, it is important to remember that VOICES members are always available to sit at community events and fairs throughout 2011!

If this sounds like something your group or organization is interested in, or if you know an event that would be a good fit for VOICES' message, please email us at info@voicesasa.org and let us know about it!

Thanks for all your support as we move into 2011!

American Psychological Association: Call for Nominations!

The American Psychological Association (APA) is seeking nominations for members to serve on the Task Force on Trafficking of Women and Girls. The Task Force will review the state of the literature of theory, research, and practice relevant to the trafficking of women and girls.

This review will include definitions, prevalence, nature, psychological, physical, and social effects, prevention, identification, intervention, and recommendations for future research, training, practice, and policy.

The Association is interested in researchers, practitioners, and educators who are knowledgeable about the numerous factors related to trafficking. The empirically-

based conclusions and recommendations of this task force will be disseminated to inform the development of a broad range of policy at various levels.

Nomination materials, including a letter from each candidate indicating a willingness to serve and detailing her or his particular expertise on the issue, and a current CV must be received by Monday, December 13, 2010. Self-nominations are encouraged.

Materials may be sent to Tanya L. Burrwell, Women's Programs Office, American Psychological Association, 750 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20002-4242; by fax to 202-336-6117; or by e-mail to tburrwell@apa.org.

Next Meeting

Thursday, January 6th @ 2:00
YWCA Kalamazoo

VOICES meets regularly at the YWCA of Kalamazoo on the FIRST Thursday of the month at 2PM. Please RSVP to info@voicesasa.org to join us!

