Program Spotlight
Hope House Programming in the Schools

Each school year, Hope House’s Community Education Coordinator, Jess Kaehny, gives hundreds of presentations to K-12 youth in schools throughout our 5-county service area. During the 2012-2013 school year, she facilitated a 5-day program for the Rio High School Family and Consumer Education (FCE) class and the Montello and Baraboo High School health classes; she facilitated a 6-day program for the Poyneete High School FCE class. Topics covered include healthy relationships, dating violence, sexual assault, sexual harassment, gender roles and violence, media literacy, and bystander intervention. One student wrote on their evaluation, “I thought all of the information we learned was very helpful. I liked how we had [five] days to focus on different topics instead of cramming all the information into one day.”

Read more from Hope House’s newsletter.

Survivor Spot
Survivors & Allies Meeting

The Survivors & Allies Task Force (SATF) is getting together on August 20th to discuss plans for the October gathering. We need your input in order to make this event a success so we hope you can be there! If you are interested please contact Lynn Johnson at lynnij@wcasa.org or 608-284-5483. For more info on SATF you can go here.

Women’s Equality Day
August 26th

Women’s Equality Day commemorates August 26th, 1920 when women were granted full voting rights through the 19th Amendment (Women Suffrage) of the US Constitution. The amendment was passed after decades of struggles in the civil rights...Read more here.

Survey of the Month:

8/26 is Women’s Equality Day. Of the following issues, which do you feel has experienced the most growth towards gender equality since 1920?”

Vote Here

Results from July:
What is your favorite ice cream flavor?

Mint Chocolate Chip & Moose Tracks Win!
Your own flavor:
Chocolate & Gummy Bears, Chocolate Covered Amaretto Cherry, Orange White Chocolate Swirl, Salsa!, “Diversity”, Time to Smile Turtle Marshmallow

WCASA News

WCASA Hires Southcentral Regional TA: Marilyn Kile

Upcoming Events:
Prevention Education Webinar Series: Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) Aug 7
Fall Dual Director’s Meeting Sept 18-20

Regional TA
See what’s going on in your region.

Check Out Upcoming Events
Trainings, webinars, meetings near you...

Happy 40th Anniversary to Rape Crisis Center!
As the summer winds down, the WCASA policy team is gearing up for the fall legislative session. Now that the budget is behind us - which included a historic commitment of general tax dollars to the SAVS program - we are now focused squarely on our number one non-fiscal legislative priority, victim accompaniment legislation. The bill has been introduced in the Assembly and assigned to the Judiciary Committee. We look forward to an early fall public hearing and passage before the holidays. The bill already has a long bipartisan list of co-sponsors, 47 at the present time. The legislative effort is being led by Representative Jim Steineke and Senator Rob Cowles. Look for more information from us in the near future on introduction of the bill in the Senate and public hearings in both committees. We will keep you posted.

Learn more about SMART here.

Preventing Sexual Violence in Latina Communities

This document has useful information for directors, prevention educators, and direct service workers in all communities across our state. According to U.S. Census data, Latinos/Hispanics reside in all counties in Wisconsin and total over 360,000 statewide.

To see specific demographics you can visit the following website and select your county or city using the drop-down menu...

Read more here.

Grant Opportunities

Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance (OJA)
- VAWA STOP Victim Services (Due 8/15/13)
- VAWA SASP Statewide Survivors & Allies Regional Programming (Due 8/15/13)

Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ) Office of Crime Victim Services (OCVS)
- 2014 SAVS (Due 9/12/13)