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## Building on the Basics

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[www.mcadsv.org](http://www.mcadsv.org)**Creating a Process of Change for Men Who Batter**

This three-day training for men's nonviolence class facilitators presents a theoretical framework for working with men who batter and demonstrates how to facilitate structured, interactive nonviolence classes using the curriculum *Creating a Process of Change for Men who Batter*. Training materials include the book *Education Groups for Men Who Batter: The Duluth Model*. The curriculum package is \$550 and includes the facilitator handbook, four videos, and posters of the Power & Control and Equality Wheels. The curriculum is available in English and Spanish and will be offered August 27-29, 2003 and October 15-17, 2003 in Duluth, Minnesota. Visit [www.duluth-model.org](http://www.duluth-model.org) or call (218) 722-2781 for information.

**Intimate Partner Stalking: Keeping Victims Safe and Holding Offenders Accountable**

*Intimate Partner Stalking*, hosted by the National Stalking Resource Center, is taking place August 13-15, 2003 in Portland, Oregon. Featured topics include the use of technology to stalk, stalking investigation and prosecution, a coordinated response to stalking, stalking in Native American communities, and stalking and sexual assault law. Law enforcement officers, prosecutors, judges, dispatchers, probation officers, and victim advocates are encouraged to attend. The conference is free and open to Office on Violence Against Women grantees. Visit [www.ncvc.org/src](http://www.ncvc.org/src) for more information.

**Mid Atlantic Sexual Assault Conference and Anti-Sexual Violence Institute for People of Color**

The Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape and the National Sexual Violence Resource Center present the *Mid Atlantic Sexual Assault Conference and Anti-Sexual Violence Institute for People of Color* (MASAC) September 23-26, 2003 in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania. MASA is the first national symposium of its kind. This four-day, advocacy based conference offers workshops by national experts on all aspects of the sexual violence continuum. For information brochures and registration forms visit [www.pcar.org/MASAC](http://www.pcar.org/MASAC).

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**Connection**Your [link](#) to cutting edge information on the issue of violence against women**Billions Lost to Abuse in the U.S. Each Year, Study Finds***Adapted from the FVPF Newsflash, May 2003.*

The health-related costs of rape, physical assault, stalking and homicide committed by intimate partners exceed \$5.8 billion each year, according to a report released last week by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). *Costs of Intimate Partner Violence Against Women in the United States* estimates the incidence, prevalence and health-related costs of non-fatal and fatal intimate partner violence against women. It also identifies future research needs and highlights CDC priorities for violence prevention research.

"CDC is actively involved in ongoing efforts to prevent violence against women," said Sue Binder, MD, Director of the CDC's National Center for Injury Prevention and Control. "This report provides information that is crucial in helping communities demonstrate the impact violence against women has on society."

*Costs of Intimate Partner Violence* was released on April 28, in conjunction with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention national conference, *Safety in Numbers*. It is based on data from the 1995 National Violence Against Women Survey, as well as other federal sources.

Victims of intimate partner violence often seek medical attention as a result of the violence. *Costs of Intimate Partner Violence* estimates these health-related costs to be more than \$5.8 billion annually. Of that amount, nearly \$4.1 billion are for direct medical and mental health care services, and nearly \$1.8 billion are for the indirect costs of lost productivity or wages.

Nearly 90 percent of these costs are attributable to intimate partner physical assaults, 6.7 percent to intimate partner rape and 3.7 percent to stalking, according to the report.

The study breaks down the direct health costs of intimate partner violence by type of assault. The total medical and mental health care cost per victimization by an intimate partner is \$838 per rape, \$816 per physical assault and \$294 per stalking.

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The Michigan Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence is dedicated to the empowerment of all the state's survivors of domestic and sexual violence.

Our mission is to develop and promote efforts aimed at the elimination of all domestic and sexual violence in Michigan.

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*Costs of Intimate Partner Violence* concludes that more research is needed to fully understand the economic and human costs of intimate partner violence. "Significant resources for research are needed to better understand the magnitude, causes and risk factors of intimate partner violence and to develop and disseminate effective primary prevention strategies," it says. "Until we reduce the incidents of intimate partner violence in the United States, we will not reduce the economic and social burden of this problem."

*Costs of Intimate Partner Violence Against Women in the United States* is available on the CDC's web site, [www.cdc.gov/ncipc/pub-res/ipv\\_cost/ipv.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc/pub-res/ipv_cost/ipv.htm).

### **Building on the Basics: A Comprehensive Program on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault**

MCADSV will host "Building on the Basics: A Comprehensive Program on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault," September 9-11, 2003 in Okemos, Michigan. This training is designed for social workers, probation officers, friend-of-the court advocates, police officers, medical personnel, counselors, school personnel, clergy, mediators, and attorneys who work with domestic violence and sexual assault victims. *Building on the Basics* focuses on empowerment philosophy, the nature and prevalence of domestic violence and sexual assault, perpetrator tactics and dynamics, trauma theory, survivor psychological responses, and sexual assault advocacy within the medical system. Availability of continuing education credits pending.

For registration information, please call 517-347-7000 ext. 21.

### **MCADSV Presents SHERA Award to Judy Ellis of First Step**

To commemorate 25 years of advocacy, action and justice, MCADSV designed the SHERA Award to honor individuals who have demonstrated outstanding leadership in the work to end violence against women in Michigan. A "SHERA" represents someone who is "Spirited," "Hopeful," "Energetic," "Respectful," and an "Advocate."

Judy Ellis is the Executive Director of First Step, one of the largest domestic violence and sexual assault agencies in the state of Michigan. She has initiated and participated in over 30 coalitions and community collaborations throughout the years. Judy has dedicated her life to working with survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault. Her hard work, for over 22 years, is amazing and inspiring. She has shown stellar leadership skills throughout the years. Her intelligence, compassion and sense of fairness are well known in Wayne County. To honor Judy with the SHERA award is truly the intention of the "spirited, hopeful, energetic, respectful advocate" award.

### **WHO Foundation Funding Opportunity**

The WHO (Women Helping Others) Foundation provides funding to grassroots charities serving the needs of women and children in the U.S. and Puerto Rico. The foundation's priorities include specific projects and programs addressing health, education, and social service needs. The foundation will consider funding projects of an original or pioneering nature within an existing organization. The application deadline is September 16, 2003.

Visit [www.whofoundation.com](http://www.whofoundation.com) for more information.

### **National Center on Elder Abuse Unveils Redesigned Web site**

The National Center on Elder Abuse has redesigned its website adding several new useful features. The site, [www.elderabusecenter.org](http://www.elderabusecenter.org), includes a promising practices database, containing examples of successful and emerging prevention and intervention models from around the country and a compilation of elder abuse laws and legislation. Information is available on the website in Dutch, French, Italian, and Spanish.

[Elderabusecenter.org](http://Elderabusecenter.org) has been completely redesigned to offer easy navigation tools, better organized content, pathways to statistics, research, and resources, and a lot of new links. New features include a searchable "Promising Practices" database, "Quick Links" for reporting abuse, finding statistics, and resources for the media.

Visit [www.elderabusecenter.org](http://www.elderabusecenter.org) and see what's new!

### **FBI Releases Preliminary Data from 2003 Uniform Crime Report**

Preliminary data for 2002 released by the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program indicates a 0.2-percent decrease in the Nation's Crime Index from the 2001 figure. According to the preliminary data, overall violent crime decreased by 1.4 percent. Among individual violent crimes, murder and forcible rape both showed increases by less than 1 percent. The number of aggravated assaults declined 2.0 percent.

The FBI's Web site [www.fbi.gov/ucr/ucr.htm](http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/ucr.htm) provides the complete preliminary annual 2002 Uniform Crime Report as well as other statistics on domestic violence and sexual assault.

### **Unspoken Crimes: Sexual Assault in Rural America**

The following was reprinted from *Unspoken Crimes*, a publication of the National Sexual Violence Resource Center.

*Unspoken Crimes: Sexual Assault in Rural America* examines sexual assault from a rural perspective. Its goal is to present service providers with a better sense of the unique characteristics that are so often a part of rural regions. It considers the issue of prevalence of rural sexual assault by examining national data as well as information from several states. In general, it suggests that rural sexual assault may be more prevalent than indicated by national data, and that in order to provide effective services in rural areas we must adopt a culturally sensitive approach. Finally, it offers comments, insights and some best practices as expressed by rural advocates.

*Unspoken Crimes* is available by calling the (877) 739-3895 or visiting NSVRC on the Web at [www.nsvrc.org](http://www.nsvrc.org).

### **MCADSV Hosts Grant Writing Clinic**

MCADSV is pleased to present an Advanced Topic Workshop on Grant Writing, August 14, 2003 in Okemos, Michigan. The cost of the workshop is \$50. The goals of the training are to review the necessary components of grant proposals; analysis, evaluation, design and outcome measurement issues; and to improve collaboration and teamwork for the purpose of increasing grant success. Faculty for the workshop is Pat Smith, Director, Violence Against Women Prevention Program from the Michigan Department of Community Health.

For registration information, please call (517) 347-7000 ext. 21.