The West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence (WVCADV), incorporated in 1981, is a statewide non-profit organization comprised of a Coalition Statewide Office and 14 licensed domestic violence programs.

The mission of the WVCADV is to end personal and institutional violence in the lives of women, children, and men.

WVCADV works to transform social, cultural, and political attitudes through public awareness, policy development, community organizing, education, and advocacy in ways that promote values of respect, mutuality, accountability, and non-violence in local, statewide, national, and global communities.

Year in Review

HIGHLIGHTS

Public Awareness

WVCADV continued to strengthen our efforts in the area of public awareness by educating others as we work to change the attitudes and behaviors that perpetuate violence. At the Annual Domestic Violence Awareness Day at the Legislature, advocates, board members, allies, and survivors met with their state legislators to talk about the importance of domestic and sexual violence services. In October, WVCADV celebrated Domestic Violence Awareness Month by hosting the Annual Purple Gala event at the Clay Center.

Empowerment Fund

WVCADV created the Empowerment Fund in 2008 to provide mini-grants to assist domestic violence survivors in meeting their ability to obtain basic needs and/or educational opportunities. In 2017, a total of $3,402 was used to assist 13 survivors across the state with rent, utilities, work clothes, furniture/household appliances, transportation, day care, car insurance, court fees, and food.

Training

WVCADV provided statewide and community-based training to help advocates and allied professionals strengthen their supportive services to survivors. In 2017, WVCADV provided 47 trainings and workshop events, engaging 2,924 participants throughout West Virginia.

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Public Policy

In a difficult budget year for West Virginia, WVCADV advocates provided education to legislators on the importance services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. State budget line items dedicated to these services were maintained without cuts.

Additionally, procedural rules on the law enforcement response to domestic violence were revised and legislated to:

- update relevant language,
- add procedures to on-scene response to children, and
- incorporate a law enforcement and 911 procedure for identifying and responding to highly dangerous, potentially lethal behaviors of domestic violence offenders.

(WVCADV's 2017 Advocate Retreat attendees pictured below.)

Community Organizing

WVCADV’s Rainbow Justice League participated in quarterly meetings, conference calls, and webinars, organized statewide participation in the Annual Pride Parade and Festival activities, and educated the community about culturally specific issues and policy initiatives pertaining to LGBT communities.

Our Advocacy of Color Network (ACN) participated in quarterly meetings, worked with the Women of Color Network (WOCN) on national initiatives, and coordinated a Stand Against Racism statewide event.

(Advocacy of Color Network members pictured left.)

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

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