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BC/Yukon Society of Transition Houses	Britannia Community Centre
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BACKGROUND

Prior to the existence of the BC Association of Specialized Victim Assistance and Counselling Programs (BCASVACP), provincial funds enabled BC Sexual Assault Centres to meet and discuss issues on a yearly basis. The centres began discussing the idea of forming a provincial association to meet their needs and those of other Community-Based Victim Assistance programs for networking, information sharing and reducing duplication of effort.

A Secretary of State grant enabled a cross-section of individuals from sexual assault centres and other specialized victim assistance programs to meet, consult and formally assess the feasibility of establishing a provincial association. There already were similar provincial entities in place to coordinate and represent Police-Based Victim Assistance Programs, Women's Centres and Transition Houses. However, to this point, sexual assault centres and other specialized victim assistance programs in BC had no networking, supportive, or coordinating body. Individual programs were all struggling in isolation to solve the same problems and to create policies for the same issues.

In March of 1992, the BC Association of Specialized Victim Assistance and Counselling Programs arose from the founding general meeting. The vast majority of programs across the province joined the Association.

Our mandate is to provide support and training, undertake research, develop and distribute resources and tools, educate the public and government bodies on the needs of victims of violence, develop and maintain standards for the provision of service, and foster the development of cross-sectoral coordination and collaboration. The goals of the Association are:

- To serve as a coordinating, centralized organization in British Columbia that supports and assists individual agencies providing victim and survivor-related support and counselling services.
- To address the needs of programs supporting victims in British Columbia through training, education and information exchange, on issues related to providing service and support for people who have been traumatized by victimization.
- To provide programs across British Columbia with updated, accessible information regarding policy and legislative initiatives or changes and analysis of current relevant issues.
- To work in partnership with other provincial organizations, educational institutions and other key organizations in related fields to ensure that member programs are in a strong position to guide and improve our service to victims of violence in this province.
- To act as a credible and visible liaison between Government and community through coordinating involvement in consultative processes.



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As well, by analyzing legislation and policy through a lens that looks at gender, race, class and other forms of marginalization, this organization works proactively in assisting government to remove barriers to the safety of all peoples.

- To manage programs and projects that assist all survivors' efforts to achieve safety, equality and dignity at the individual and systemic levels.
- To educate the public on the issue of victims of violence, particularly women and children who have been victimized by child physical and sexual abuse (recent or historical); relationship violence; sexual assault; and criminal harassment.
- To provide support, information-sharing and networking for specialized support and counselling service providers in an effort to alleviate isolation, maintain healthy organizations and continue to increase skills and knowledge, including the coordination of province-wide training based on needs identified by individual programs.
- To act as a consultant to individual programs in the area of program administration and clinical practice and to offer consultative services to offender-serving programs to prevent the re-victimization of victims of violence.
- To coordinate with other sectors, namely, the justice, health, and social service systems in an effort to increase their knowledge and understanding of related issues to reduce re-victimization and increase support and safety for those who have been victimized.



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At an Annual General Meeting in October 1994, the membership voted unanimously to expand its membership criteria to allow Stopping the Violence (STV) Counselling Programs to become members. It had been proposed that because STV Counselling Programs provide non-residential counselling services to survivors of sexual assault, childhood sexual abuse and/or wife assault, they closely fit with the types of agencies the Association was founded to represent.

In 2007, through an agreement reached with the BC/Yukon Society of Transition Houses, the Association began providing support to the new STV Outreach Programs. For similar reasons to the adding of STV Counselling Programs to our membership in 1994, the mandate of STV Outreach Programs is very close to the work of Community-Based Victim Assistance Programs, STV Counselling Programs and or Community Coordination for Women's Safety. It was therefore felt by many across the province that this would be a good fit. In addition to our membership will be in place for a two year period, at which point we will assess whether the programs believe it is a good fit.

Currently, 214 programs come under the umbrella of BCASVACP.

CO-CHAIRS' REPORT

As the Co-Chairs of the Board, we provide this report on our perspective concerning the functioning of the Association during the year 2006-2007. This is an organization that is continually growing so it has been a challenge to report briefly on the breadth and depth of work that is always taking place.

The Executive Director's report provides a more detailed glimpse into the formidable number of tasks and programs which our staff worked on this past year. As Board members we support and participate in important decisions and keep an overview of the financial picture. This involves at least two in-person Board meetings each year, where we become immersed in the work of the Association. This experience always astonishes new members to the Board and provides valuable insights and information that we are all able to bring back to our programs and our respective regions. We also meet via telephone conference call as a Board and as part of various sub committees we all serve on. These committees are the real workhorses of the Board, attending to oversight of all operations generally, including, membership, policy, personnel and financial management.



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In terms of program activity, one highlight this year was the successful culmination of over two years of work, planning and negotiating an effective strategy with the BC/Yukon Society of Transition Houses related to support, training and membership for the new Outreach programs that were created through the Ministry of Community Services. We are especially happy to welcome the new STV Outreach programs under the umbrella of support the Association can offer. The agreement we came to with the BCYSTH provides for the STV Outreach programs to access support and services through the Association for a 2-year term, at which time we will jointly evaluate this membership framework. We urge our new members to take full advantage of the support, resource development, training, issues analysis and program representation that is now available to them. By having the infusion of this unique Outreach perspective, our organization becomes that much richer, benefiting from an expanded understanding of the needs of anti violence agencies and the survivors whom they serve.

Another task, aside from governance, in which the Board becomes directly involved in, is participation on the committee, which plans the Annual Training Forum. This event is a centerpiece to all the other work done by the Association, in that it provides cutting edge information, analysis and skill development for all participants. We all have the opportunity to re-energize and re-focus on the difficult, important work that we do. In our experience of serving on the Board, this event never fails to stimulate or satisfy. It is also a wonderful opportunity to connect with so many others across the province who are involved in the work.

On the governance side, overseeing the financial picture is yet another important function of our Board. As the Treasurer will report to you at the AGM, the Association has once again successfully juggled an astonishing number of programs and projects, while effectively and efficiently managing all the threads of the fabric of our overall budget. We are pleased to be able

to provide a transparent, comprehensive picture of the financial workings of our organization.

The Association has benefited from the stability in our staffing throughout this reporting year. We are continually blessed with vibrant, dedicated and exceptionally talented women who bring their wisdom, authenticity and passion to their work on behalf of member programs and survivors of violence throughout British Columbia. As a Board we are honored to have Tracy Porteous, Executive Director; Habiba Rashid, Office Manager; Susan Armstrong, Program Manager; Harjit Kaur, Special Projects Manager, Sarah Leavitt, Communications Coordinator and Alison Timmons, Administrative Assistant, managing the ongoing everyday work and vision of the Association.

As well, we are privileged to have the fabulous women of the Community Coordination for Women's Safety Program to guide us through the often-troubled waters of cross sector coordination, issues analysis and partnerships with systems. Many thanks to Gail Edinger and Michelle Novakowski, Regional Coordinators; Gisela Ruebsaat, Issues Analyst and Alison Timmons, Administrative Assistant

The wide range of work that the Association churns out year after year could not be realized without the expertise of the many women who work on short-term project related contracts. Thank you to all for sharing your knowledge and skills with us to further our work to end violence in our society.

The tireless work of all these fine women is felt throughout the anti-violence sector and supports our member programs in being on the forefront of innovation and analysis in our service to women, children and men who are survivors of violence.

Every year the composition of the Board changes as we say goodbye to old friends and colleagues and welcome new members to carry on the tradition of feminist collaboration, respect and openness that fosters a strong sense of cohesion and comradery amongst the Board. We wish to acknowledge Ruth Sauer, Debbie Hamilton and Lynnell Halikowski for their wisdom, insights and dedication to the work of the Association and the Board. Thank you for all that you gave to your role as Board members. The 2006 – 2007 Board consisted of Jennifer Woods, Cathy Welch, Brigit Atkinson, Sonya Boyce, Jan Cotterell, Aimee Thompson, Jasmine Lothien, Marsha Early, Sandra Beggs, Bally Bassi, and Nancy Taylor. It has been an honor to work with each and every one of you.

We would also like to thank all of our members for your dedication to ensuring that the voices of survivors are heard. The Association is committed to hearing your needs and to supporting you as you carryout the essential work of addressing violence in the lives of survivors.



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Last and most importantly, we honor those brave survivors who live with violence on a daily basis; whose courage, resistance and fortitude in making the world a more peaceful place; where respect and acceptance of difference abounds is awe inspiring. We are humbled by your strength and resiliency.

Respectfully submitted

Cathy Welch
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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Year in Review 2006-2007

It is an honour and a privilege to provide an overview of the incredible work of our Association this year. Since our inception in 1992, we have become a viable, credible provincial body that today is over 200 programs strong, an Association of anti-violence programs created by the very services we represent.

The Association's overall role is to make the work of anti-violence service providers in BC less onerous, more manageable, and less isolating. We do this by being available on a daily basis to our members to provide support; from assistance with systems-related dilemmas such as policing and child protection, to assistance with cross-sector coordination, or questions about funding or staffing—and the list goes on.

We also develop resources and tools centrally—to cut down on duplication of effort around the province and to assist programs in providing client-centered services and in understanding risk and safety planning.

We provide training in the area of direct service and conduct analysis of policy and legislation to assist programs in deciphering what it all means to the people they are supporting.

We conduct research and facilitate the education of other sectors so they have a better understanding of the devastating and multi-generational impacts of victimization.

We work in partnership with other provincial bodies such as the BC/Y Society of Transition Houses, Ending Relationship Abuse, BC Women's Hospital, the RCMP, the BC Association of Chiefs of Municipal Police, and others, to coordinate initiatives at the provincial level and to provide information to various ministries and authorities regarding how they can improve policy to increase the safety of those victimized by violence.

Working in partnership is clearly a huge part of how we achieve our goals. Along with the partnerships mentioned above, we have worked with Legal Services Society to ensure that our programs have access to their wealth of legal resources through online discussions and regular features in our newsletter. We also participated in research and analysis including sexual assault research with the Justice Institute of BC and Vancouver Lower Mainland Multicultural Family Support Services. We continue to work with MOSAIC, Pacific DisAbled Women's Network and Police Victim Services of BC on a number of important initiatives.

This year, we embarked on a few new partnerships: one with the BC Centre of Excellence for Women's Health to produce a new tool kit linking violence, mental health and substance use. Also new partners to us this year were the



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Britannia Community Centre, which provides free space for Safe Choices workshops and the Wellbeing Program for Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Deaf/Blind People. They are working with us to co-facilitate workshops for the deaf and hard of hearing, deaf/blind community. We are extremely grateful for the generous collaboration that all these organizations have offered.

Each year, the Association works very hard on many fronts, and I hope the following overview will provide a sense of the breadth and depth of our work in 2006/07.

As always, we are grateful to our funders. The Ministry of Community Services and the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General provide funding for our direct service and support to programs, as well as funding for many of our special projects. Staff at both ministries are outstanding in their commitment to ending violence and assisting us to find solutions to increase safety across BC.

We also thank the National Victims Policy Centre and Vancouver Coastal Health for their major contributions to our programs and projects.

The Vancouver office staff—Habiba Rashid, Office Manager; Susan Armstrong, Program Manager; Harjit Kaur, Special Projects Manager; Sarah Leavitt, Communications Coordinator and Alison Timmons, Administrative Assistant—collectively put in thousands of hours and worked tirelessly to ensure that all the work got done. They also contributed every day as committed, professional, creative women who care very deeply about the anti-violence programs and the importance of the work in each community across BC.

Our CCWS team—Gail Edinger, Regional Coordinator working out of 100 Mile House; Michelle Novakowski, Regional Coordinator, working out of Nanaimo; and Gisela Ruebsaat, Issues Analyst, working out of Victoria—are making a difference every day in the lives of frontline workers and women victimized by violence, by working to identify and remove local, regional and provincial barriers to women's safety. They are supported by Alison Timmons, who assists with keeping it all together out of the office here in Vancouver.

Britt Permien, our creative graphic designer, did her magic on the Association's newsletter and the Annual Training Forum brochure. Once again this year Sheila Norgate is to thank for allowing us to use her art for numerous resources, including the now famous Association calendar.

The volunteers on our Board of Directors worked tirelessly to provide governance and input, guidance and support to the staff. We cannot thank them enough for the hours and hours of work they put in and for the patience and creative insight that helps keep the Association the strong and healthy organization that it is.



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I. DIRECT SERVICE TO PROGRAMS

I.1. Toll Free Support, Debriefing and Information to Programs: We provide support on a daily basis to front-line workers and administrators in STV Counselling Programs, Community-Based Victim Assistance Programs, and this year, for this first time, STV Outreach programs. This section will highlight some of the key issues that we have been responding to in the field.

Recent contacts from programs have related to the following topics, and more:

- A lack of referrals to Community-Based Victim Assistance Programs from Police-Based Victim Assistance and police
- Strategies for safety planning with assaulted women
- Models for employee performance evaluations
- Requests for protocols for referrals and coordination among community agencies and systems such as police and MCFD
- Lack of counselling services for young women under 19 who have been sexually assaulted
- Working with survivors who have complex mental health issues and substance use issues
- Identifying current and effective materials for group work with women surviving relationship violence
- Managing internal agency issues surrounding supervision and linking workers to other forms of support.
- Identifying strategies for STV counselling, CBVA and STV Outreach programs to support each other's work
- The need for STV Counselling and STV Outreach Core Training
- Calls requesting guidance in dealing with ethical issues
- Calls from non-anti-violence workers wanting access to our STV Counsellor training
- Calls regarding the lack of funding for interpretation services
- Providing support and guidance on how to respond to a subpoena: Recently, CBVAPs have been receiving subpoenas, whereas in the past it was only STV Counselling programs that were dealing with this issue
- Concern regarding communication problems. We receive many calls asking for information that has been circulated via fax, email and that is posted on our website. This problem is exacerbated by the lack of access to computers for many workers
- Questions about using third party reports for sexual assaults: The Community Coordination for Women's Safety Program is in the process of developing a provincial training for third party reporting (see below)
- Questions regarding working with criminalized women with a history of abuse
- Inquiries about assaultive men's treatment programs for non-court mandated men
- Requests for assistance with proposal writing to cover gaps in funding and requests for ideas for fundraising strategies



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- Consultation regarding materials used for recruiting and hiring staff at programs, and assistance in sending job postings out to provincial and national contacts
- Questions about whether police can access agency files without warrants
- Questions about whether police will contact parents when providing support to minors
- Numerous requests for printed information or training on feminist perspectives on trauma

Programs also continue to face challenges that have been ongoing for a number of years:

- Increased complexity and severity of cases
- Increased demand for service, resulting in a reduced capacity to manage timely responses with existing staffing limits
- Concerns about high caseloads, the risk of burn out and vicarious traumatization for staff, and lack of time for necessary records management, data collection and program reports
- Court orientation and accompaniment consuming major amounts of staff time and resources (these cases are too complex to be handled by volunteers)
- Courthouse and hospital closures resulting in increased travel time and travel budgets for accompaniments
- High need for legal support and advocacy for women with complex family court cases, especially where litigation is used to continue the abuse
- Poverty across the province: agencies needing to become involved in activities beyond previous mandates to address food and shelter needs of clients. Front line workers report that the lack of social housing and low social assistance rates force some women to stay in abusive situations.
- Accreditation: The extensive time and costs required leading up to accreditation has added stress to programs' work and post-accreditation, "record keeping time has quadrupled."



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I.2. Database of Clinical Supervisors: The Association has established a database of experienced feminist clinical supervisors from across the province who are available to work with STV counsellors and CBVAPs. This resource list has been distributed to STV Counselling programs seeking clinical supervision, and continues to be a helpful resource.

I.3. Newsletter: We publish three newsletters per year and distribute these to all member programs. We choose an emerging issue as the theme for each newsletter. Our fall newsletter, completed in time for our Annual Training Forum, included articles and lists of resources on faith, culture and violence against women. Our winter issue focused on support groups, and included an unprecedented number of articles submitted by frontline workers. Our spring newsletter focused on the many communities across BC who are beginning to create specialized responses to violence. Our members continue to

express their appreciation for the in-depth articles, practical tips and resources included in each issue.

I.4. Website And Listservs: We are very grateful for the funding provided by MCS and VSCPD for a major overhaul of the Association's website, www.endingviolence.org. Please see below for more details on this project.

We have four listservs: one for each sub-sector: STV Counselling, CBVAPs, STV Outreach and Community Coordination Initiatives. The listservs continue to be an important source of discussion and information sharing among programs across BC, which could not happen without this resource. Our goal with the listservs is to have 100% of programs signed on to the listservs, and to ensure active discussion on the listservs. At this point, participation is excellent on the STV listserv, and we are still working on increasing participation in the other two. We have surveyed CBVAPs regarding workers' access to computers, and are currently analyzing the data we gathered. The listserv for STV Outreach programs is very new; thus we will be assessing its use in the next fiscal year.

I.5. Regional Support Conference Calls: The STV Counselling Regional Support Conference calls were held in March 2007, the Community Based Victim Assistance Programs calls in May and June, 2007, and the STV Outreach calls also occurred in May, 2007 (separate reports for each sector were distributed to the programs by mail and posted on our website). A number of themes emerged over the course of the calls, including:

STV Counselling

- Long waitlists
- Working with diverse populations: women with mental health issues and/or substance abuse issues, women with disabilities, young women
- How to provide culturally appropriate counselling
- Support groups: models, facilitation techniques, backgrounds of group participants, publicizing groups and resources for group leaders
- Professional development resources
- Increased complexity of the work
- Comparing short and long-term counselling
- How clinical supervision is provided in agencies
- Protection orders
- Safety assessment models
- Good record-keeping resources
- Number of sessions and how programs provide services
- Training needs
- Confidentiality of client information on computer systems
- Impact of STV best practices
- Statistics collection

CBVAP

- Dual arrests
- Continued problems with referrals
- Developing coordination protocols



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- Worker safety and support
- Interpreter costs need to be covered
- Sexual assault
- OPRA, JUSTIN and PRIME
- Training needs
- Testifying in court
- Drug-facilitated sexual assaults
- Working with children
- Building partnerships
- Third party reports
- RCMP: Criminal harassment
- Criminal, civil and family court
- Reduced sentences for violence in relationships and sexual assault
- Lack of response to breaches
- Working with sex workers
- MCFD and breach of confidentiality
- Working with STV Outreach

STV Outreach

- Dual arrests
- Insufficient time in part-time contracts
- Increased demand for services to young women, Aboriginal women, immigrant women and sex workers
- Lack of response to breaches
- Crown “K” file designation problems
- Need for hospital sexual assault protocol
- MCFD problems
- Support groups
- Public education
- Urgent need for core training
- Problems associated with accreditation

All Programs Reported Specific Needs for Rural Communities

- Protocols for coordinating with other community responders
- Impact of poverty
- Childcare for clients
- Lack of housing
- Highway of Tears
- Local education opportunities

I.6. Support for STV Outreach Programs: As you are aware, the Association and BCYSTH have agreed on a plan to provide support to Outreach workers. The Association will provide support to the new STV Outreach workers, while the BCYSTH will continue to support the older transition house Outreach workers. We will try this arrangement as a two-year pilot and then evaluate by asking programs for feedback. The Association and the BCYSTH will continue to collaborate on overall issues affecting Outreach workers, including training.

II. ONGOING PROGRAMS

II.1 Community Coordination for Women's Safety

CCWS is funded by the Ministry of Community Services. The mandate of the program is to assist communities across BC to maintain or build effective cross-sectoral coordination processes to increase the safety of women.

Travel To Meet Directly With Communities In Their Region

Regional Coordinators travelled to communities across the province to lead planning, strategizing and training events, including regional events that included participants from a number of small neighbouring communities. These communities received training in important skills and information related to coordination without having to travel to an urban centre.

Provide Telephone Or Email Support On Specific Issues

CCWS provided support to close to 100 communities across the province. These coordination initiatives received essential information and support in a timely manner, increasing their capacity to address women's safety.

Identification Of Issues From Communities

Issues reported this year included: dual arrests/charging, referrals between Community-Based and Police-Based Victim Services, police and Crown participation in coordination initiatives, education needed for judiciary on violence against women, education needed for mental health and addictions workers on violence against women, education on addictions and mental health needed for anti-violence workers, funding needed for coordination initiatives, police/RCMP use of peace bonds instead of recommending charges, Safety Issues Protocol, lack of arrest and prosecution for breaches of protection orders.

Assist People In Accessing And Using Resources On CCWS Website

CCWS provided support to approximately 50 responders in communities across BC to access and use CCWS online resources.

Lead Discussions On The CCWS Listserv

CCWS posted information and/or discussion starters related to women's safety on a weekly basis. Recent posts include questions, answers and updates regarding victims receiving copies of UTAs, Third Party Reporting and information sharing.

Intersectoral Solutions Management

Members of the Provincial Working Group are senior personnel in government, police and community agencies. They provide input to CCWS on issues that relate to their field of professional expertise and identify local and provincial strategies to help enhance coordination and implementation of violence against women policies.

Issues addressed at the three Provincial Working Group meetings this year included: strategizing for meetings with deputies of key provincial government ministries, specialized response to domestic violence in BC, third party



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reporting, violence against immigrant and refugee women, Safety Issues Protocol between CCWS and RCMP and government pleadings in VAWIR cases.

The CCWS Working Group includes a number of Work Teams that have been formed to address specific issues:

- The Protection Orders Enforcement Matrix Work Team
- The Work Team on Tools for Collaborating with Court Personnel and Crown
- The Work Team on KGB
- The Immigration Work Team
- The Assaultive Men's Programs Work Team
- Third Party Reporting Work Team
- Specialized Response to Violence Against Women Committee



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Development Of Recommendations, Strategies, Protocols And Solutions

CCWS approached a number of experts who are keenly aware of specific policy provisions that are impeding the safety of immigrant, refugee and women without status who experience violence and asked them to consult with CCWS regarding gaps in policy. Findings from the consultation were presented at the May 2006 Provincial Working Group Meeting and CCWS has begun taking actions as a result of the consultation.

Information-Sharing Protocol: CCWS continues to work on developing a protocol for sharing information about an accused's violent past.

Third Party Reporting protocol: CCWS continued development of a provincial protocol template to allow sexual assault victims who do not wish to report to police to submit third party reports to another agency. We have formed a task group that includes representatives from the Vancouver Police Department, RCMP, BC Municipal Chiefs and Aboriginal communities

CCWS made a submission to Family Relations Act (FRA) review being conducted by MAG, identifying the need to make the link between family law issues and violence against women in relationships.

Protection Orders Enforcement Matrix (POEM): In partnership with Victim Services and Community Programs Division of MPSSG, CCWS has continued the work of the Tri-Ministry Protection Orders Task Group to help the different sectors coordinate the enforcement of protection orders.

CCWS is a member of an advisory group that includes representatives from the Victoria coordination initiative, MPSSG, and the Victoria Family Violence Project. The group developed a paper outlining components of specialized response to violence against women in relationships that will be used next year to negotiate solutions to barriers.

Collaboration With RCMP And Municipal Police

CCWS met with RCMP Headquarters and VSCPD to discuss referrals between CBVAPs and PBVAPs, as a result of the Bethell Inquest. VSCPD

subsequently released a bulletin specifically directing municipal police, RCMP and PBVAPs to refer all victims of power-based crimes to CBVAPs. The bulletin also directs all detachment commanders to meet with their local PBVAPs and CBVAPs to ensure that referral protocols are in place and policy is being followed. This is a key step in improving women's safety in BC.

CCWS continue to support community agencies and local RCMP detachments to work together to resolve local issues through the use of the Safety Issues Protocol developed last year between CCWS and RCMP.

Resource Development

These resources were developed over the past year and are available on our website.

- Immigrant, Refugee and Non-Status Women and Violence in Relationships
- Can a Woman Get Information from Police about Her Abuser's Criminal Past?
- Third Party Reporting: Access to Criminal Justice System for Marginalized Victims of Sexual Assault
- Victim Services Referrals Discussion Paper
- Information Bulletin on the RCMP Safety Issues Protocol (SIP)
- Victim Service Workers Experiencing Difficulty Acquiring Copies of UTA/PTA's on Behalf of Clients
- Naming the Violence: The Gendered Aspect of Violence Against Women
- The Role of Advocacy in Coordination on Violence Against Women
- Advocacy Worksheet
- October 2006 and February 2007 news bulletins



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Training

Community Leadership Training

The fourth offering of our Community Leadership Training was held in Vancouver March 6-8, 2007. We had an unprecedented response to the announcement of the training: there were 70 applicants, of whom we were able to accept 24, from 23 communities across BC. Leaders of existing initiatives were provided with encouragement, information and skills to enhance their work. Participants who are interested in starting new initiatives left the training with the core information, tools, skills and enthusiasm needed for this task.

Training Sessions With Local Coordination Initiatives On Specific Issues

CCWS delivered trainings on a range of topics including "reluctant" witnesses, "mutual battering", sexual assault, starting coordination, strategic planning, etc. Coordination initiatives clarified and recommitted to their work, and developed concrete action plans, as well as gaining information and skills on specific key issues.

Workshops For Other Sectors

Victim Services Annual Conference: a workshop in partnership with Police Victim Services of BC on women and disaster.

The Myth of “Mutual Battering” for Oceanside RCMP Detachment (Parksville and Qualicum): Participants included RCMP sergeants and constables, Police-Based Victim Services management and staff, MCFD team leaders and workers and a community justice (alternative measures) representative.

On Finding Common Ground for the annual Ending Relationship Abuse Conference: Participants were pleased with the workshop and appreciated learning about the CCWS Tool, “Finding Common Ground,” which they feel could be used in many aspects of their work.

Safety Planning and Risk Assessment for the Legal Services Society Provincial Conference: Participants left with a heightened sense of what defines women and children’s safety and how to work collaboratively to approach to safety assessment.

Violence Against Women, Trauma and Substance Abuse conference in Courtenay: Our tool, “Building Mission Statements,” was used to begin the process of developing integrated teams within each community represented, so that they will be able to continue the work after the conference ended.

Provincial Training Forum

CCWS coordinated three workshops for the BCASVACP Annual Training Forum 2006: The Journey Within: Using Spirituality As A Vehicle for Change; Strengthening Community Coordination with Christian Faith Communities to Increase Safety; and Collaboration: A Bridge Between Faith Communities and Secular Anti-Violence Services.

II.2 Safe Choices—Support and Education Program

The Safe Choices program is funded by the SMART Fund of Vancouver Coastal Health. The purpose is to improve the health and safety of women in same-gender relationships by increasing options for intervention and support, and by removing barriers to health care and social services for women in abusive same-gender relationships.

Consultation, Referrals and Resource Development

We provided a number of consultations to other service providers and organizations working with lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people specifically in the area of same-gender partner abuse. We continue to distribute the five pamphlets developed through the provincial LGBT anti-violence project. We have developed service provider and healthy relationship workshop curriculum, which is a “first of its kind” resource. We have shared this curriculum with David Kelly Services in Toronto and intend to make it available to other LGBT service providers once our new website is in place. The curriculum is an excellent resource for new and experienced facilitators, and distributing it in the anti-violence field is a significant contribution to resource development overall.



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Training and support for seven new facilitators continues, and we will hold a one-day training in May 2007. This will be the first time the new facilitators will have met each other and is an important step towards building a solid team.

Public Education

Safe Choices has entered into several new partnerships this year to increase our access to the public. We have partnered with Britannia Community Centre, which provides free space for Safe Choices workshops and increases our visibility in the queer community. We have also partnered with the Wellbeing Program for Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Deaf/Blind People, as we will be co-facilitating two workshops for this community with a deaf lesbian support worker. Much energy has gone into revising our curriculum to be culturally relevant for this community.

Two service provider workshops have been held in Sechelt for service providers throughout the Sunshine Coast and at two provincial events providing access to service providers from diverse communities.

Hate Crimes Roundtable

The Safe Choices program is participating in a planning committee for a provincial roundtable on hate crimes in BC. This project grew out of a workshop delivered by Safe Choices at the 2005 provincial conference on hate crimes. With funding from VSCPD, the committee includes Safe Choices, the Centre, the BC Human Rights Coalition, the Canadian Jewish Congress and the Native Women's Association of Canada, as well as VSCPD. The goal of the roundtable is to develop a strategic plan for BC to address and respond to hate crimes from a human rights perspective.



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III. TRAINING

III.1. Annual Training Forum 2006: "Emerging Spirit: From Violence to Social Justice Through Faith and Culture" was held November 29 and 30, 2006 in Vancouver. The event brought together close to 300 frontline anti-violence workers from across BC: STV Counsellors and Outreach workers and CBVAP workers, as well as other responders, including PBVAPs, police, RCMP, transition house workers, and staff from immigrant and Aboriginal serving agencies. Presenters included leaders of faith communities and experts on the connections between faith, culture, violence and healing. The Training Forum raised awareness about, and built skills for responding to, the interconnections between culture, faith, spirit, violence and healing.

We were thrilled to be able to produce a DVD of the keynote addresses, which was sent to all 200 anti violence programs under our umbrella. Programs have already begun to use the DVD as a tool to establish collaborative relationships with local faith and cultural communities. We also plan to make the videos available on our new website, currently under construction. The Association is grateful to MCS and VSCPD for contributing funding for this event.

III.2. STV Counsellors Core Training: The twelve-day STV Counselling Core training commenced in February 2007 and was concluded in April 2007. It was fully subscribed to and a waitlist was created. This year's training was the pilot of our newly revised curriculum developed in 2006, and utilized the STV Counselling Best Practices Manual (also developed in 2006) as a foundation for many of the teaching units.

III.3. EMDR Training: Scheduled for April-June 2007. The Association coordinated the first ever non-profit EMDR training in Canada for STV counsellors, which will equip them with the latest in trauma resolution techniques. The training was open to all STV counsellors, regardless of educational background, and included supervision of the participants as they progressed through the modules. The training was offered by the Association on a cost recovery model. We were fortunate to secure a feminist EMDR trainer who has many years of experience in providing trauma counselling and supervision to the anti-violence sector.

III.4. STV Outreach Core Training Development: The Association and BCYSTH have received \$10,000 from MCS to develop training for Outreach workers. This will be based on the Association's STV Counselling and Sexual Assault trainings as well as many of our topic specific workshop trainings and BCYSTH's core training. The new Outreach worker core training will consist of three four to five-day modules.

III.5. Sexual Assault Incorporated into the Victims Assistance Program Core Training: We are pleased that the VSCPD has decided to make our training "Supporting Survivors of Sexual Assault" part of the core training for Victim Services workers. The Association will deliver the 2.5-day module and the JIBC will manage it.

III.6. Best Practices Approaches: Child Protection and Violence Against Women: The Association has partnered with the BCIFV and the BCYSTH to develop training for child protection workers, victim services staff and others, based on the MCFD Best Practices document that we developed collaboratively with the Ministry. We received funding for this project from MCFD and have been working in collaboration with BC Women's Hospital, the BCYSTH and MCFD. The work is coming to completion and will be ready for delivery next year.

III.7. Management Training For Women and Victim Serving Agencies: As previously reported, in partnership with the BCYSTH and the JIBC, we have developed a certificate program for managers in the women's sector in BC. The training will be delivered through the JIBC. It was advertised in the JIBC catalogue this year, but did not go ahead due to low enrolment. We hope for a better take up next year.

III.8. Workshop for Poverty Law Advocates: In November, the Association, together with CCWS, put on an extremely successful workshop for poverty law advocates at Legal Services Society. The workshop received glowing evaluations.



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III.9. Regional Training in Courtenay: This training was initiated and led by the CBVAP Coordinator for Powell River, and focused on the issue of coordination across the sectors of violence and mental health. Dr. Lori Haskell travelled from Ontario to facilitate the training with funding from MPSSG. Association and CCWS staff attended and assisted with the organization and agenda.

IV. SPECIAL PROJECTS

IV.1. Website Redevelopment: The Association received grant funding from MCS and VSCPD to revamp our website, www.endingviolence.org. Our Communications Coordinator gathered feedback on the site from programs, Board members, staff and contractors in order to prepare for this major overhaul. We hired the web studio Raised Eyebrow, which is well known for its work with non-profits. We are very pleased with how this project has gone and believe people will be very happy with the much-improved accessibility of the new site, soon to be launched!

IV.2. Sexual Assault Strategic Plan: As previously reported, the report “Strategies and Options Paper for BC on Sexual Violence” was completed. The document was based in large part on the discussions at the December 7, 2005 Provincial Consultation and Strategic Planning Day on Sexual Violence held the day after the Association’s Annual Training Forum “Without Consent: Working to End Sexual Violence in BC.” Since that time we have met with Minister Ida Chong to discuss the plan. The Minister was very interested and has invited the Association to provide her with more information.

IV.3. Insurance for Agencies with Volunteers: In June 2006, the Association did a survey involving Community-Based Victim Assistance Programs across BC, seeking to explore the opportunity to secure Accident Insurance coverage for CBVAP volunteers similar to the program being offered to Police-Based Victim Assistance Programs by their Association. The intention of the coverage would be to compliment existing liability insurance to programs. This additional coverage would apply strictly to “declared” program volunteers. It would be offered free of charge to the programs. PVSBC generously shared their information with us.

IV.4. Survey re Wages and Benefits: The results of the STV Counselling and CBVAP program wage and benefit survey that we conducted have been compiled and are available through our office. Programs have been requesting information for some time and it will be valuable for programs to use in future planning initiatives.

IV.5. Technology Grants for STV Counselling Programs: The Association and the BCYSTH were contracted by MCS to jointly administer a grant allocations process for funding new computers and other technology. The Ministry had a total of \$200,000. The Association received \$80,000 for the project to distribute to the STV Counselling programs. This was a huge, time consuming project; however, it was well worthwhile, in that many programs



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were able to access financial support for much needed computers. The focus of these monies was for programs that did not have access to a computer. The need expressed was far greater than the available funds, and it will be important to continue exploring additional funding so that all programs and clients have equal access across the province. We also recommended a next round so that those with out-dated computers can upgrade.

V. RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

V.1. Freedom from Violence: Tools for Working with Trauma, Mental Health and Substance Use: The Association received a grant from the Vancouver Foundation to develop a resource tool kit for CBVAPs and STV Counselling and Outreach Programs, focusing on the interconnections of mental health, addictions and violence. We will orient frontline workers and managers to this material at the 2007 Annual Training Forum. We have received additional funding from the Canadian Women's Foundation for this project. Consultation began in February 2007 with 13 anti-violence workers from across BC. Numerous people from the field, including the BC Centre of Excellence for Women's Health, have contributed as writers and reviewers of this resource, which we are about to launch.

V.2. Renewing Resources: Training for Managers in Resource-Based Industries: The BCASVACP, in partnership with ERA BC, were awarded a Partners in Prevention grant from MCS. In an historically significant collaboration, the two partners, over a 12-month period, will engage in a broad-based provincial prevention initiative involving the forestry and mining industry in BC, aimed at changing attitudes that condone behaviours related to violence against women. In consultation with industry representatives, representatives from community anti-violence services and those who work with assaultive men, relevant educational materials aimed at prevention will be presented in a series of regional workshops for key industry personnel throughout BC. The workshops, led by trained male and female co-facilitators, will be designed to de-stigmatize the issue of relationship abuse and to raise awareness regarding related issues, including risk factors and the effects of abuse on both the victim and the perpetrator. Participants will also be informed about the need for referrals to appropriate services that focus on the dynamics of power and control rather than general counselling or anger management programs, and will have an opportunity to meet local service providers in order to build relationships.

Workshop participants will receive fact sheets and other prevention materials related to violence against women. The industry sites will be provided with a CD-ROM of materials so that they can print and distribute the information to employees. As a lasting legacy, a key goal of the project will be to establish and strengthen industry links with local anti-violence and community services that will provide ongoing information and resources related to prevention of violence against women. By working with key human resources personnel, the initiative seeks to promote an informed and supportive work climate where men and women with abuse issues will be encouraged to reach out to fellow employees, leadership, and the community. Industry leadership will be



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connected to local services to which they can refer employees and approach for additional on site training.

V.3. For the Dignity of Every Woman: Prevention of Violence Against Women Resource Kit: We received a Community Action for Women's Safety grant last year for the "For the Dignity of Every Woman: Prevention of Violence Against Women Resource Kit." The project was a public and community education initiative to provide anti-violence service providers with resource materials they need to work in the community. The 2007 desktop calendar, poster and educational materials will be used for: raising awareness of violence against women, fundraising, volunteer recruitment and training, and school and community-based initiatives. All materials have now been completed and distributed to programs, and are also available on our website as well.

2007 Desktop Calendar

The 2007 desktop calendar includes important dates related to the prevention of violence against women, safety planning tips and inspirational quotes from leaders in the field. Space was left on the calendar for agencies to affix their own logo and agency information in a label. 15 calendars were sent to each program. Ninety-eight percent of the programs responded that the desktop calendars provided useful information for their programs and their community partners and funders.

Poster for Prevention of Violence Against Women Week

This 18 X 24 inch color was used by agencies across BC to promote events such as Prevention of Violence Against Women Week and other community events to raise awareness about violence against women in their communities. Five posters were sent to each program. Ninety-nine percent of the programs said that the poster helped them create awareness about Violence Against Women during the BC Prevention of Violence Week in their communities.

CD ROM of Educational Materials

Educational materials developed included PowerPoint presentations, overheads and fact sheets. Instead of all programs duplicating efforts we developed these public education materials for the programs to use. One CD was sent to each program.

This centrally produced violence prevention communications material package will assist service providers at the local level. They can incorporate the new materials into their education campaigns whether they are looking for partners or working with volunteers. The material will promote a consistent level of professionalism among service providers across the province. The materials have been produced in a variety of media to allow for use by low tech to high tech agencies. The content of the resource kit is diverse and culturally appropriate for presentations in a variety of venues, such as band councils, mosques, cultural community centres, seniors' centres, chambers of commerce, business settings, and police shift change, information sessions



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etc. Community representation was involved in the development and production of these resources through a consultative process.

V.4. STV Counselling Program Best Practices Manual Development

Project: With partial funding from MCS we have finished developing the Best Practices manual for STV Counselling programs. Consultants Maggie Ziegler and Maureen McEvoy developed the manual, along with an advisory committee of STV counsellors and administrators. The manual content promotes service delivery quality and consistency, yet retains the flexibility necessary to be adaptable for STV counselling programs and agencies in all corners of the province. The resulting best practices respond to priority questions and concerns from STV counsellors that have arisen in their work with women who are, for example, using drugs or alcohol, coping with mental health issues, charged with a criminal offence, mothers of abused children, abused in a lesbian relationship, mandated to counselling by MCFD, suicidal, or minors. The manual will also assist programs in addressing questions and inconsistencies that have arisen regarding such issues as wait lists, case loads, external and inter-program referrals, and “administrative” versus “direct service” work. The STV Counselling Best Practices Manual will provide guidance for both new and experienced STV counsellors and administrators. The manual will also assist programs in developing key policies and procedures specific to STV Counselling.



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A great deal of staff resources and time went into the development of this document outside of the special project funds we received from the Ministry. In addition, funds from the initial grant did not cover the cost of printing and distribution and we were able access funds from a Federal Government source to assist with these costs. All STV Counselling programs have now received this document.

V.5. New Resources Distribution and Evaluation: In August 2006, a resource feedback survey was faxed to all the programs and a brief overview and analysis of the responses was completed. The resources that we asked about included: the STV Counselling Best Practices Manual, the Third Edition of the Records Management Guidelines, and An Easy Guide to Bill C-2. We also mailed a series of pamphlets, “Creating Strong & Safe LGBT Communities.” The titles in this series were: Transgender People & Relationship Abuse, Abuse in Same-Sex Relationships, Hate Crimes, Healthy Relationships for Lesbians and Healthy Relationships for Gay Men.

Brief Overview of Results:

The STV Counselling Best Practices Manual was mailed only to STV counsellors, while the Records Management Guidelines, An Easy Guide to Bill C-2 and the LGBT Pamphlet series were mailed to all 62 Community-Based Victim Assistance programs and 100 Stopping The Violence programs. The LGBT pamphlets were mailed out to both the programs: CBVAP and STV Counselling.

We received an excellent response to our request for feedback on all the resources.

Overall, we received 139 responses from the 162 Community-Based Victim Assistance Programs and Stopping The Violence Programs. Thus, an impressive 86% of the programs provided their valuable feedback, which is the basis of this summary.

Approximately 75% of the workers found the Records Management Guidelines and the STV Counselling Best Practices Manual “very” helpful in addressing issues that are relevant to their work. An estimated 50% of the workers found the Easy Guide to Bill C-2 and the LGBT pamphlet series “very” helpful and relevant to their work.

Seventy-seven percent of the workers said that they had not been aware of the information contained in the Records Management Guidelines. A similar trend was apparent for the LGBT pamphlets and the Easy Guide to Bill C-2, as approximately 60% of the workers said that they were not aware of the information contained in these resources. Half of the STV counsellors said they were not aware of the information contained in the STV Counselling Best Practices Manual. This clearly indicates the relevance and importance of the information contained in these resources.

When asked about the specific comments that workers had to share with us when providing feedback, we received many well-thought suggestions and comments.

Record Management Guidelines: Workers found the Guidelines very helpful, “very precise and clear,” an “excellent reference manual,” and very relevant for “all levels of an agency.” The Guidelines provide “excellent updated information.” In addition, suggestions for future updates/editions included providing “an accompanying booklet with samples,” “updates when legislative and other changes affect the guidelines,” and having “a checklist as to what should be in files.”

An Easy Guide to Bill C-2: Workers found it very helpful to have “the background information and breakdown of different issues such as breaches, length of sentences,” with it being “very easy to follow,” “clear, concise and well written” and having footnotes that were “very helpful/explanatory.” As one worker put it: “I am thankful for the easy reference guide as it will make it easier for me to provide much needed information to people.” The Guide made it possible for workers to “make accessing information easy.”

STV Counselling Best Practices Manual: Most STV counsellors found the manual very helpful and one worker said that it gave “structure to what I try to do every day in my practice.” Another shared that it is “an excellent resource and guide that will help our work with clients and in developing agency policy.” What some counsellors were not aware of included “specific interventions and counselling techniques that were either new or elaborated more fully.” They “appreciated so much information in one volume.” And the suggestions for updates/editions were to “continue to expand on the



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'intersection' issues," and "any legislative/legal updates and any new resources."

Creating Safe & Strong LGBT Communities, a series of 5 pamphlets: Workers stressed the fact that the information was very "informative and gives ideas on how to handle situations" and that the visibility of the materials was "crucial for clients to feel services are accessible." It is also important to note that the pamphlets provided information that "filled in a lot of gaps in knowledge" for the workers. With this second printing, we were also able to provide BCYSTH with 110 Record Management Guidelines and VSCPD with 12,000 LGBT pamphlets to distribute to PBVAPs.

V.6. Family Law Manual Update: Legal Services Society provided a small grant to the Association to conduct a survey of our programs to get feedback about changes and updates needed for the Family Law manual. We developed and distributed the survey, and BCYSTH also sent it to their members. We then analyzed the data and met with LSS; they are now determining how much funding they can provide for updates and printing.

VI. POLICY AND LEGAL ANALYSIS

VI.1. Violence Against Women Policy Round Table: We worked in partnership with the BCIFV and the BCYSTH to plan an initiative that relates to policy gaps that affect the safety of women and children in BC. This year, we identified the problems and came up with plans to proceed on this initiative by way of a series of briefing notes. We decided to focus on the critical elements of a specialized response to violence against women, and develop the briefing notes, one on each element (see next item), as a way to efficiently educate our policy makers.

VI.2. Briefing Materials for Government on Specialized Response to VAWIR: The Association, together with the BCIFV and the BCYSTH, has prepared a series of briefing materials. This is a series of documents, each of which will articulate an element of effective specialized response to violence against women. Our hope is that these materials will assist government in understanding what is needed for an effective response to violence against women in BC. These briefing notes have been sent to the Premier, Cabinet ministers, Deputy Ministers and Assistant Deputy Ministers and Directors of relevant ministries, along with requests to meet with each ministry regarding the recommendations relevant to that ministry. Because of the timing of the completion of the briefing notes, we hoped that they may have helped inform people attending the Premier's Congress on violence against women, held in April, 2007. However, the notes were intended to be used well beyond the Congress, as key stakeholders in BC continue to investigate the use of specialized responses. Alongside this project, the BCASVACP and the CCWS Program are working with the Victoria Violence Against Women Coordination Committee and MPSSG on a project that outlines the elements of a specialized justice response to violence in relationships. The intention is that these two projects will complement each other.



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VII. PROGRAM REPRESENTATION ON COMMITTEES

VII.1. Older Women's Project: For many years now, the BCYSTH has been working to develop awareness and resources that relate to abuse and violence experienced by older women. The latest piece of work is the development of a Best Practices Guide. The Association was asked to join this advisory and provided feedback on the material.

VII.2. Advisory Circle for the Provincial Review of Assaultive Men's Services: The Association participated in the first meeting of the Advisory Circle for the Provincial Review of Assaultive Men's Services that was conducted by Ending Relationship Abuse. We were successful in suggesting gender specific language in their statement of values and will continue to inform the project in terms of what is happening in frontline programs. Subsequently we have linked various STV Counselling and Outreach programs that wished to participate in the focus groups.

VIII. PROGRAM REPRESENTATION TO AND ASSISTANCE TO GOVERNMENT

VIII.1. Assistance to the Deputy for the Development of the Premier's Congress on Violence Against Women: The Association met with the Deputy Minister of Community Services and provided background material and consultation information towards shaping the Congress. The Congress was held on April 23, 2007.

VIII.2. Provincial Integrated Recovery Council: This interagency provincial committee, hosted by the PEP and ESS, Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General, consists of a cross section of crisis intervention and planning agencies looking at a coordinated disaster response. During the floods last spring, the concrete benefits of the PIRC became clear. PIRC members have begun to communicate regularly via email to seek out support, information and resources from each other. For example, after recent apartment fires in the Lower Mainland, PIRC members shared information that resulted in a more integrated response to the fire victims. As well, all PIRC members receive regular information about current fires, floods, etc. This information is valuable to the Association, as we can pass it on to our members so that they are more prepared to respond to disasters in their communities.

VIII.3. Victim Service Toolkit: This project is being worked on in conjunction with Police Victim Services of BC. We are part of a steering committee that is looking at gaps in training or skills for victim service workers. We have begun by undertaking an inventory of training resources and have brainstormed the gaps that exist. The scope of this project includes looking at developing a template for Community-Based and Police-Based Victim Service Programs to begin working more collaboratively, including looking at the referral process.

VIII.4. Meetings with VSCPD: On numerous occasions during this period the Association met with VSCPD to bring forward and discuss issues such as



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Provincial and National Victim Awareness Weeks, Prevention of Violence Against Women Awareness Week, referrals, primary service provision in cases of domestic violence, CBVAP program funding, the Bethell Coroner's Inquest, Highway of Tears, the need for funding support for vicarious trauma prevention, issues related to consideration of RFPing for program contract renewal, and contract compliance re referrals.

The Association provided feedback on VSCPD's Victim Court Support Pilot Project, which began in March 2007. This project places a victim court support caseworker at the Port Coquitlam Courthouse, to work with the justice system and existing victim service programs. We provided feedback on the framework for the project.

VIII.5. Victim Service Division Training Committee: The Association continues to be a member of this committee. There are a number of exciting upcoming projects:

- Support for Victims of Hate Crimes: This is a subgroup of the committee, with members from the Victim Services and Hate Crimes sectors. The subgroup is hoping to access one million dollars in funding that the federal government has provided to BC to bring forward anti-hate crime initiatives. The subgroup held a day-long meeting and determined some needs: a communication plan for educating the public, service providers and policy makers about what hate crimes are; and new data gathering tools so that hate crimes are not missed when statistics are compiled. The group will move forward with this work and attempt to access funding.
- Residential School Settlement: The Residential School Survivors Society has been holding regional meetings regarding the recent settlement. Victim Safety Unit and RCMP E Division have overall responsibility for providing part of the training at these meetings. E Division is providing information to participants on PBVAPs and CBVAPs as well as VictimLink.
- VSCPD will be conducting a consultation on the needs of immigrant and refugee women who have experienced violence.
- There will be a series of trainings on issues related to Bill C-2 for Aboriginal people.
- The Association is in discussion with VSCPD regarding their recent proposal to shift Module 1 of the Victim Services training into a fee for service training, and at the same time make it required for all VS workers in order to be hired.
- The upcoming initiative to increase the use of third party reports will require training for frontline workers.
- VLMFS is planning 16 regional trainings to bring together immigrant serving programs and anti-violence programs across the province. Details to be announced.
- PBVS and the Association are working together on a number of projects, and we hope that this will help set the tone for collaboration between PBVAPs and CBVAPs.
- In response to Coroner's recommendations arising from the Bethell inquest, VSCPD proposed a series of regional meetings for CBVAPs



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and PBVAPs to discuss effective referrals between programs. Representatives from VSCPD, RCMP, Police Victim Services of BC and the Association met and planned these meetings and set dates.

VIII.6. NVPC Advisory: The Association was invited to take part in the inaugural meeting of the National Victim Policy Centre's Advisory Committee. The ED has been appointed for a term of three years to provide advice to the federal government on policy and legislation concerning victims.

VIII.7. Consultation/Meetings with MCS: The Association has met with MCS to consult on various raised issues from the field. Topics discussed during these meetings include: waitlists, the DES forms and the service usage formula, the need to update the DES form to better reflect the STV counselling work being done, DES forms and holiday/sick time, training for programs re filling out DES and the use of the online program, overall training needs of STV counsellors, support and training needs of the new STV Counselling and Outreach programs, the Premier's Congress on Women's Safety, program evaluation, the Sexual Violence Strategies Plan, a specialized response to violence against women, programs' financial reporting, provincial Violence Against Women Awareness Week and services for women under 19 who have been assaulted.

Our Board and staff have met with Minister Chong and with Deputy Ministers, Assistant Deputy Ministers and Directors at MCS at various times throughout the year. The meetings were intended to demonstrate to the Ministry the effectiveness and cost efficiency of funding provincial organizations, as well as to provide an overview of who the Association is, what we do, and a breakdown of how we use our funding. The Association also took part in a dialogue roundtable with the Minister about issues affecting women in BC.

As you are aware, programs funded by MCS were informed this year that they might have to go through an RFP process to have core funding renewed each year, starting in the 2007/08 fiscal year. STV programs expressed their concerns to us that this process would lead to serious destabilization in the anti-violence sector. We were able to communicate these concerns to MCS, and are pleased that the Ministry decided not to go ahead with RFPs for STV programs. MCS decided to use a process of Direct Awards and Notices of Intent for contracts. The Association led this effort, in collaboration with BCYSTH.

VIII.8. Consultation on Date Rape Drugs: In May, the Association was contacted by the MP for Port Moody, James Moore, and asked if we could coordinate a consultation for him on date rape drugs. We were able to facilitate this request and subsequently met with the RCMP Drug Squad, VPD Serious Crimes, WAVAW and the MP. He was looking to see if there was anything he could propose to toughen laws and support efforts by law enforcement.

VIII.9. Human Trafficking: The Association provided consultation and assistance to MCFD and MPSSG related to a situation of alleged trafficking



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they were involved with. The Association provided a list of experienced workers to the Ministries in the event they needed to coordinate support for the trafficking victims. In addition, we provided input into issues related to interviewing, confidentiality and ethics.

IX. OTHER CONSULTATION AND COLLABORATION

IX.1. Legal Services Society Collaboration: The Association, BCYSTH and Legal Services Society (LSS) have entered into a formal memorandum of understanding. We have agreed to share information and provide trainers at each other's training events, and LSS has agreed to provide articles for the Association and BCYSTH newsletters on relevant legal issues. We plan to request as well that LSS provide legal counsel for our members on behalf of their clients. LSS is now doing articles in our newsletter and has been providing other updates and information related to family law for our three listservs.

IX.2. South Asian Community Forum: The community of Surrey organized a Forum involving the South Asian community in response to the deaths of South Asian women in Surrey. This gathering was attended by over 2000 South Asian community members and friends. The Association did a presentation during the Forum addressing our concern for the loss of women, as well as highlighting the many services available to women.

IX.3. Save Our Daughters Coalition: Stemming from the Forum above, a group was formed called the Save Our Daughters Coalition to support front line service providers in Surrey in addressing the issue of violence in the South Asian community. The Association was asked to be part of this group to support the work overall and make links to work going on elsewhere in the province. Twenty-three other community representatives were invited to attend the coalition. We supported the coalition in their efforts to develop resource material in English and Punjabi, a website www.saveourdaughters.ca, as well as to fundraise for other initiatives.

IX.4. Lunch Meeting of South Asian Women: The Association organized a lunch meeting of South Asian women and their allies to provide support as well as strategize as to what needs to be done about the mounting death toll. This took place at our 2006 Annual Training Forum.

IX.5. India Mahila Association Forum – The Association attended the India Mahila Association's forum at Langara College that was held in response to the deaths of South Asian women in BC. We shared our resource materials, provided a complete listing of community anti violence programs under our umbrella in the province, provided pamphlets such as "Speaking Of Abuse" (English and Punjabi) and the packages of VSCPD materials of violence against women.

IX.6. Surrey Consultation: The Association attended a Women's Event in Surrey, where the NDP Women's Issues Critic was on a tour across the



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province to meet with BC women from a variety of backgrounds and learning about their issues and concerns. This meeting focused on the women of the South Fraser region and covered gaps in services, issues and concerns ranging from child care, domestic violence, health and safety, equity at work place, immigrant women and the need for culturally sensitive services. We also shared our resources as well as our knowledge of the gaps that faced women in our sector.

IX.7. DiverseCity Workshop: The Association attended a workshop organized by DiverseCity for South Asian service providers to provide feedback/suggestions for brochures the Ministry of Community Services designed in English with the possibility of translating them into Punjabi regarding violence in relationships. These brochures were also to be distributed to the South Asian community.

IX.8. Pacific Association of First Nations Women (PAFNW) Partnership: Work has continued with PAFNW. We are very proud to stand up with the women of the PAFNW and work as their ally, along with BC Women's (Hospital) to create responses in BC to the unacceptable levels of violence BC Aboriginal Women continue to experience. During this year we assisted the PAFNW to hold a third gathering to bring together senior government staff at the Deputy and ADM level with senior Aboriginal women to talk about the First Nations Trust and the \$100 million in funding being First Nations. Discussions focused on strategies to create dialogue between Aboriginal women and the Trust. We also assisted with the development of a proposal to NCPD to conduct violence prevention programs on reserves.

IX.9. Police Victim Services of BC Annual Conference: The Association was asked to bring greetings at the annual conference of the BC Police-Based Victim Services as a way to show collaboration and solidarity between the two provincial agencies. We were pleased to do this.

IX.10. Highway of Tears: Over concerns arising from the missing women in the north and the need to coordinate communications, the Association organized a conference call of the anti-violence service providers along the corridor from Prince Rupert to Prince George. We also coordinated this effort with VSCPD. In addition, the Association provided input to the Special Assistant to the Deputy Minister.

IX.11. Vancouver Police Dialogue Session: The Association was invited to and participated in a dialogue session that was focused on giving input into police priorities. We of course put forward the need for and our appreciation of the VPD DVU and Sex Crimes Unit and also the need for more coordination of services.

IX.12. Celebrating Cowichan WAVAW 25-Year Anniversary: The Association was asked to be present at their community breakfast and to speak and provide a historical overview of anti-violence work in BC. We of course were honoured to travel to Duncan to honour the agency.



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IX.13. Kelowna Health Network Meeting: In partnership with BC Women's Hospital and BCIFV, the Association co-sponsored a meeting that took place in Kelowna to bring together health care providers with anti-violence workers. Our involvement was to make sure anti-violence workers got to the event and to assist with planning.

IX.14. Liaison with CVAP: The Association liaised with Crime Victim Assistance Program to ensure that their mailing of the new orientation CD on their program was extended to all STV Outreach programs.

IX.15. Pregnancy Outreach Coordination: In an attempt to ensure good program coordination in communities with all anti-violence programs and Pregnancy Outreach programs, we have worked with the BCYSTH, BCIFV and BC Women's Hospital so ensure that each sector knows who each other is and what they are doing. This work has consisted of a number of meetings, sharing of contact information and program information.

IX.16. Partnership with Pacific DisAbled Women's Network (DAWN): The Association partnered with Pacific DAWN on the proposal for the project "Deaf Women: Taking Steps Towards A Safer Deaf Community." DAWN applied for a Partners in Prevention grant. The project proposed to work towards breaking the cycle of violence against Deaf women and women with disabilities through the use violence prevention education and training which would address the root causes of abuse." While the proposal was unsuccessful this time around, we hope to support DAWN's efforts in the future and are committed to continue to collaborate.

IX.17. Future Work with Reseau-Femmes: The Association has met with Reseau-Femmes, an organization serving BC Francophone women, regarding possible future partnerships.

IX.18. Discussions with the Sexual Abuse Intervention Program (SAIP): The Association did a needs assessment a couple of years ago in communities across BC regarding services for teens who had been sexually assaulted. STV programs told us that in the vast majority of BC communities no one was providing these services. The Association has been working to respond to STV Counsellors' concerns, but in the process of addressing this issue, we do not want to ignore or undermine the work of the Sexual Abuse Intervention Program, which works with children. In a few communities, SAIP does in fact work with teens, though this is not the norm. We met with STV and SAIP in February to ensure that we are all on the same page and that our work can be mutually beneficial and supportive.

X.OTHER

X.1. Article for Visions Journal: Association Programs Manager wrote an article for Winter 2007 issue of Visions Journal entitled "Complex Interactions: Women, Trauma, Addictions and Mental Health." Visions focuses on mental health and addictions. The article described some of the connections



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between trauma, addictions and mental health, and presented three case studies from her counselling experience.

X.2. The Right To Know: Raising Awareness, Advancing Knowledge, Honoring Long Time Advocates: On April 24, 2006 we hosted an afternoon event in Vancouver to launch the first National Victims of Crime Awareness Week in Canada (April 23-29). We followed the launch with the distribution of a series of new resources for workers across BC serving victims of crime. During this launch we also honored two long-time service providers for their commitment, compassion and excellence in providing service to victims of crime. We invited victim services providers from the Lower Mainland as well as other partners such as the RCMP, the Vancouver Police, multicultural organizations, Aboriginal organizations, other relevant provincial organizations such as Reseau-Femmes, and provincial government ministry representatives. At this launch we acknowledged the national week, the first BC Provincial Victims of Crime Week and the Provincial Violence Against Women Prevention Week. We honored all those who work on the front line and those who create policy for victims. This event was also used as an official launch of a series of new publications aimed to assist victims and services providers: the STV Counselling Best Practices Manual, the Records Management Guidelines and the LGBT Pamphlet Series.

X.3. Meeting with Japanese Police: In October, 2006, the Japanese Consulate organized 10 police officers from Japan to come to Vancouver to gather information about victim services in BC. Victim services in Japan are all staffed by police officers; there are no independent programs. The officers met with E Division and VSCPD staff as well as the Association. We provided information about our work, the work of CBVAPs and the relationship between CBVAPs and PBVAPs, as well as about our CCWS Program and community coordination. We were very pleased to be able to include two CBVAP coordinators in our meeting who are of Japanese heritage from Vancouver Lower Mainland Multicultural Family Support Services and MOSAIC. These workers were able to provide a frontline perspective, and gave a historical overview of the Vancouver Violence Against Women Coordination Committee. We have been told by the consulate that the officers were very pleased with the information they received.



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Appendix A:

Membership Listing

BCASVACP Current Membership

AGENCY NAME	PROGRAM NAME	TYPE
100 Mile House Women's Centre Society	STV Counselling Program	STV
Abbotsford Community Services	Abbotsford Specialized Victim Assistance Program	CBVAP
Abbotsford Community Services	Abuse Counselling and Support Services	STV
Abbotsford Community Services	Multicultural Specialized Victim Assistance Program	CBVAP
Abbotsford Community Services	Mission Specialized Victim Assistance Program	CBVAP
Alberni Community and Women's Services Society	Community Based Victim Service Program	CBVAP
Alberni Community and Women's Services Society	STV Counselling Program	STV
Alberni Community and Women's Services Society	Outreach Program	STV ORS
Arrow and Slocan Lakes Community Services	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Arrow and Slocan Lakes Community Services	STV Outreach Program	STV ORS
Atira Women's Resource Society	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Battered Women's Support Services	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Battered Women's Support Services	Specialized Victim Services	CBVAP
BC Women's Hospital	Sexual Assault Support Services	OSP
Bella Coola Community Support Society	Bella Coola Victim Assistance Program	CBVAP
Bella Coola Community Support Society	Women's Counselling Program	STV
Bella Coola Community Support Society	Women's Outreach Program	STV ORS
Boundary Family & Individual Services Society	DAWN – Counselling Program for Women	STV
Boundary Family & Individual Services Society	Women's Outreach Program	STV ORS
Burnaby Family Life Institute	Stopping Violence Against Women Program	STV

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Cameray Centre	Specialized Victim Assistance Program	CBVAP
Campbell River Family Services Society	Community Based Victim Service Program	CBVAP
Campbell River & North Island Transition Society	STV Counselling Program	STV
Castlegar & District Community Services Centre	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Castlegar & District Community Services Centre	STV Women's Outreach Program	STV ORS
Central Okanagan Elizabeth Fry Society	Specialized Victim Assistance Program	CBVAP
Central Okanagan Elizabeth Fry Society	Women's Outreach Services	STV ORS
Chetwynd Women's Resource Society	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Child Abuse Prevention & Counselling Society of Greater Victoria (Mary Manning Centre)	Victim Service Program	CBVAP
Chilliwack Community Services	Specialized Victim Assistance Program	CBVAP
Chimo Crisis Services	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Chinese Community Policing Centre	Specialized Victim Services	CBVAP
Community Connections (Revelstoke) Society	Choices for Women	STV
Community Connections (Revelstoke) Society	STV Outreach Program	STV ORS
Comox Valley Family Services Association	Community Based Victim Services	CBVAP
Comox Valley Transition Society	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Contact Women's Group Society	Women's Counselling Program	STV
Cowichan Women Against Violence Society	STV Counselling Program	STV
Cowichan Women Against Violence Society	Specialized Victim Service	CBVAP
Creston & District Community Resource Centre	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Cythera Transition House Society	STV Counselling Program	STV
Cythera Transition House Society	Multicultural Services	STV ORS
Deltassist Family and Community Services Society	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV

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Deltassist Family and Community Services Society	Alternatives to Violence	STV ORS
District 69 Family Resource Association	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
DIVERSEcity Community Resources Society	STV Counselling Program	STV
DIVERSEcity Community Resources Society	STV Multicultural Program	STV ORS
Downtown Eastside Women's Centre	Specialized Victim Assistance Program	CBVAP
Family Resource Centre of Invermere	STV Counselling Program – Women in Crisis	STV
Family Resource Centre of Invermere	STV Outreach Program	STV ORS
Family Resource Centre for the North Okanagan	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Family Services of Greater Vancouver	New West Stopping the Violence Program	STV
Family Services of Greater Vancouver – VISAC	Adult Services Program	STV
Family Services of Greater Vancouver – TASA Counselling Centre	STV Counselling Program	STV
Family Services of Greater Vancouver – VISAC	Victim Support Services	CBVAP
Family Services of Greater Vancouver	Burnaby/New West Community Based Victim Services Program	CBVAP
Family Services of Greater Vancouver	Vancouver Domestic Violence Unit (DVU)	CBVAP
Family Services of the North Shore	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Fernie Women's Resource & Drop-In Centre	STV Counselling Program, Fernie	STV
Fernie Women's Resource & Drop-In Centre	STV Counselling Program, Elkford	STV
Fernie Women's Resource & Drop-In Centre	STV Outreach Program	STV ORS
Fireweed Collective Society	STV Counselling Program	STV
Fireweed Collective Society	STV Outreach Program	STV ORS
Gitxsan Unlocking Aboriginal Justice Society	Specialized Victim Assistance Program	CBVAP
Golden Family Centre Society	Abuse Recovery Program – Stopping the Violence Program	STV

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Golden Women's Resource Centre Society	Golden Outreach Program	STV ORS
Haida Gwaii Society for Community Peace	STV Counselling Program	STV
Haven Society	STV Counselling Program	STV
Haven Society	Community Victim Services/Women's Assault Program	CBVAP
Haven Society	Haven Outreach Services	STV ORS
Haven Society	Haven Society Community Victim Services, Parksville	CBVAP
Hope & Area Transition Society	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Information Services Vancouver	VictimLINK	CBVAP
Interior Health Authority/Enderby Community Health Centre	STV Counselling Program	STV
Ishtar Transition Housing Society	Stopping the Violence Against Women Program, Langley	STV
Ishtar Transition Housing Society	Stopping the Violence Against Women Program, Aldergrove	STV
Ishtar Transition Housing Society	Ishtar Community Based Victim Services	CBVAP
Island Women Against Violence	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Island Women Against Violence	Women's Outreach Services	STV ORS
Jubilee Care/Canadian Mental Health Association	Community Based Victim Services	CBVAP
Kelowna Family Centre	STV Counselling Program	STV
Ksan House Society	Stopping Violence Against Women Program	STV
Ksan House Society	Stopping the Violence Outreach Program	STV ORS
Ksan House Society	Specialized Victim Assistance Program	CBVAP
Laichwiltach Family Life Society	Stopping the Violence Outreach Program, Gold River	STV ORS
Laichwiltach Family Life Society	Stopping the Violence Outreach Program, Campbell River	STV ORS

AGENCY NAME	PROGRAM NAME	TYPE
Lillooet Friendship Centre Society	CHOICES - STV Counselling Program	STV
Lillooet Friendship Centre Society	Lillooet Community Victim Assistance Program	CBVAP
Lower Similkameen Community Services Society	LSCSS Stopping the Violence Program	STV
Mackenzie Counselling Services Society	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Maple Ridge / Pitt Meadows Community Services	Specialized Victim Services	CBVAP
Marguerite Dixon Transition Society	Marguerite Dixon STV Counselling Program	STV
MOSAIC	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
MOSAIC	Multicultural Outreach Program	STV ORS
MOSAIC	Multicultural Victim Services Program	CBVAP
Namgis First Nation, Namgis Health Centre'	Namgis Victim Assistance Program	CBVAP
Nelson Community Services Centre Society	STV Counselling Program	STV
Nelson Community Services Centre Society	STV Outreach Program	STV ORS
Nicola Valley Community Human Services Association	Nicola Family Therapy, STV Counselling Program	STV
North Coast Transition Society	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
North Coast Transition Society	Women's Outreach Program	STV ORS
North Island Crisis & Counselling Centre Society	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
North Island Crisis & Counselling Centre Society	Port Hardy Women's Outreach	STV ORS
North Island Survivors Healing Society	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
North Kootenay Lake Community Services Society	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
North Kootenay Lake Community Services Society	Community Based Victim Services	CBVAP
North Peace Community Resources Society	Women's Counselling Program	STV

AGENCY NAME	PROGRAM NAME	TYPE
North Peace Community Resources Society	Women's Counselling Program	STV ORS
North Peace Community Resources Society	Community Based Victim Services Program	CBVAP
Northern Society for Domestic Peace	Stopping the Violence Counselling, Smithers	STV
Northern Society for Domestic Peace	Stopping the Violence Counselling, Houston	STV
Northern Society for Domestic Peace	Specialized Victim Assistance	CBVAP
Northern Society for Domestic Peace	Stopping the Violence Outreach Services	STV ORS
Omineca Safe Home Society	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Omineca Safe Home Society	Outreach Services	STV ORS
Pacific Centre Family Services Association	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Powell River Community Services Association	Specialized Victim Support Services	CBVAP
Powell River & Region Transition House Society	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Powell River & Region Transition House Society	Stopping the Violence Outreach Program	STV ORS
Prince George & District Elizabeth Fry Society	STV Counselling Program, Prince George	STV
Prince George & District Elizabeth Fry Society	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program, Burns Lake	STV
Prince George & District Elizabeth Fry Society	Specialized Victim Assistance Program	CBVAP
Prince George & District Elizabeth Fry Society	Quesnel Family & Sexual Victim Support Services	CBVAP
Prince George & District Elizabeth Fry Society	Women's Services Outreach	STV ORS
Prince George Native Friendship Centre	Specialized Victim Assistance Program	CBVAP
Prince Rupert Community Enrichment Society	Community Based Victim Services	CBVAP
Princeton General Hospital (Interior Health Authority)	STV Women's Counselling Program	STV
Queen Charlotte Islands Women's Society	Haida Gwaii Women's Counselling Program	STV
Queen Charlotte Islands Women's Society	Haida Gwaii Women's Outreach Services	STV ORS
Queen Charlotte Islands Women's Society	Haida Gwaii Victim Assistance Program, Queen Charlotte City	CBVAP

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Queen Charlotte Islands Women's Society	Haida Gwaii Victim Assistance Program, Masset	CBVAP
Quesnel Women's Resource Centre	Women Against Violence (STV)	STV
Quesnel Women's Resource Centre	Stopping the Violence Outreach Program	STV ORS
Robson Valley Home Support Society	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Robson Valley Home Support Society	Stopping the Violence Outreach Program	STV ORS
Sea To Sky Community Services	STV Counselling Program, Squamish	STV
Sea To Sky Community Services	STV Counselling Program, Pemberton	STV
Sea To Sky Community Services	STV Outreach Program	STV ORS
Shuswap Area Family Emergency (SAFE) Society	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Shuswap Area Family Emergency (SAFE) Society	Community Based Victim Services	CBVAP
Shuswap Area Family Emergency (SAFE) Society	Stopping the Violence Outreach Program	STV ORS
Sooke Transition House Society	STV Counselling Program, Sooke	STV
Sooke Transition House Society	STV Counselling Program, Port Renfrew	STV
Sooke Transition House Society	STV Outreach Program	STV ORS
South Fraser Women's Services Society	STV Counselling Program, Surrey/ Cloverdale	STV
South Fraser Women's Services Society	STV Counselling Program, Surrey/White Rock	STV
South Okanagan Integrated Community Services Society – Desert Sun Counselling & Resource Centre	STV Counselling Program , Oliver	STV
South Okanagan Integrated Community Services Society – Desert Sun Counselling & Resource Centre	STV Counselling Program, Osoyoos	STV
South Okanagan Victim Assistance Society	Women's Counselling Program	STV
South Okanagan Victim Assistance Society	Specialized Victim Assistance Program	CBVAP
South Peace Community Resources Society	STV Counselling Program	STV

AGENCY NAME	PROGRAM NAME	TYPE
South Peace Community Resources Society	Specialized Victim Services	CBVAP
South Peace Community Resources Society	Dawson Creek Outreach	STV ORS
South Peace Community Resources Society	Tumbler Ridge Outreach	STV ORS
Summit Community Services Society	Stopping the Violence, Women's Counselling Program, Cranbrook	STV
Summit Community Services Society	Stopping the Violence, Women's Counselling Program, Kimberley	STV
Summit Community Services Society	Stopping the Violence Outreach Services	STV ORS
Summit Community Services Society	Community Based Victim Services	CBVAP
Sunshine Coast Community Services Society	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Sunshine Coast Community Services Society	Family and Sexual Violence Victim Support Services	CBVAP
Sunshine Coast Community Services Society	Women's Outreach Program	STV ORS
Surpassing Our Survival (S.O.S.) Society	STV Counselling Program	STV
Surrey Women's Centre Society	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Surrey Women's Centre Society	Surrey Community Victim Services	CBVAP
Tamitik Status of Women Association	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Tamitik Status of Women Association	Outreach Program	STV ORS
The Advocacy Centre / Nelson District Community Resources Society	Community Based Victim Assistance Program	CBVAP
The Alma Mater Society, UBC	Sexual Assault Support Centre	OSP
Trail Family & Individual Resource Centre	Specialized Victim Services	CBVAP
Trail Family & Individual Resource Centre	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Tri-City Women's Resource Society	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Tri-City Women's Resource Society	Community Based Victim Assistance Program	CBVAP
Tri-City Women's Resource Society	Outreach Program	STV ORS

AGENCY NAME	PROGRAM NAME	TYPE
Tumbler Ridge Counselling Services – Northern Health Authority (North East)	STV Counselling Program	STV
Vancouver Island Men’s Trauma Counselling Society – Men’s Trauma Centre	Men’s Trauma Program: Victims Assistance	CBVAP
Vancouver & Lower Mainland Multicultural Family Support Services Society	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Vancouver & Lower Mainland Multicultural Family Support Services Society	Victim Services Program	CBVAP
Vernon Women’s Transition House Society	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Vernon Women's Transition House Society	Specialized Victim Assistance Program	CBVAP
Vernon Women’s Transition House Society	Outreach Services	STV ORS
Victoria Women's Sexual Assault Centre	Historical Abuse Program - STV Counselling Program	STV
Victoria Women's Sexual Assault Centre	Sexual Violence Victim Services	CBVAP
Victoria Women’s Transition House Society	Spousal Assault Victim Support Program	CBVAP
Victoria Women’s Transition House Society	STV Counselling Program	STV
Westcoast Community Resources Society	STV Counselling Program	STV
Westcoast Community Resources Society	Women’s Outreach Program	STV ORS
Women Against Violence Against Women Rape Crisis Centre (WAVAW/RCC)	Stopping the Violence Counselling Program	STV
Women Against Violence Against Women Rape Crisis Centre (WAVAW/RCC)	Victim Services Program	CBVAP
Women’s Resource Society of the Fraser Valley	Abbotsford Women’s Support Services	STV
Women’s Resource Society of the Fraser Valley	Mission Women’s Support Services	STV
Women’s Resource Society of the Fraser Valley	Multicultural Outreach, Abbotsford	STV ORS
Women’s Resource Society of the Fraser Valley	Multicultural Outreach, Mission	STV ORS
Women’s Resource Society of the Fraser Valley	STV Outreach Program	STV ORS
Yellowhead Community Services	STV Counselling Program	STV



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Audited Financial Statements