

# ENDING VIOLENCE

Association of BC

## Annual Report 2016–2017



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# Meet EVA BC

## Our Mission and Mandate

The Ending Violence Association of British Columbia (EVA BC) works with over 300 victim-serving anti-violence programs, cross-sector coordination committees, and High Risk Interagency Case Assessment teams across BC. It supports the work of victim-serving and other anti-violence programs in British Columbia through the provision of issue-based consultation and analysis, resource development, training, research and education. EVA BC programs and initiatives address sexual assault, relationship violence, child abuse and criminal harassment. Our work is guided by respect for difference, human dignity and equality.

More specifically, our mandate includes:

- Providing support and training
- Undertaking research
- Developing and distributing resources and tools
- Educating the public and government bodies on the needs of victims of violence
- Developing and maintaining service standards
- Fostering cross-sectoral coordination and collaboration

## Our History

Prior to the creation of EVA BC (formerly the BC Association of Specialized Victim Assistance and Counselling Programs) in 1992, the province's sexual assault centres and other specialized victim assistance programs struggled in isolation to resolve the same issues.

At the time, sexual assault centres received provincial funding to meet and exchange ideas annually. Hoping to improve coordination and information sharing, reduce duplication of effort and encourage networking, the centres began examining the possibility of forming a provincial association similar to those already in place for police-based victim assistance programs, women's centres and transition houses. A Secretary of State grant enabled centre representatives and their specialized victim assistance program counterparts to conduct a formal feasibility assessment.

In March 1992, the BC Association of Specialized Victim Assistance and Counselling Programs was established. Membership was extended to Stopping the Violence (STV) counselling programs in 1994 and to STV outreach programs in 2008. In January 2009, the BC Association of Specialized Victim Assistance

and Counselling Programs changed its name to the Ending Violence Association of British Columbia (EVA BC).

## Our People

### **EVA BC Board Members**

|                                  |                                   |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Region 1: North Vancouver Island | Gloria Jackson                    |
| Region 2: South Vancouver Island | Vacant                            |
| Region 3: Lower Mainland         | Vacant                            |
|                                  | Carol Martin (former)             |
| Region 4: Fraser Valley          | Vacant                            |
|                                  | Corina Carroll (former)           |
| Region 5: Interior               | Jan Seelinger                     |
| Region 6: Okanagan               | Michelle Novakowski               |
| Region 7: East Kootenays         | Vacant                            |
| Region 8: West Kootenays         | Ernestine (Ernie) Wood (Co-Chair) |
| Region 9: North West             | Nell-Ann Toegel                   |
| Region 10: North Central         | Bally Bassi                       |
| Region 11: North East            | Donalda Beeson                    |
| Floating Seat (Region 10)        | Irene Willsie (Co-Chair)          |

### **EVA BC Staff**

|                                      |                            |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Executive Director                   | Tracy Porteous             |
| Office Manager                       | Habiba Rashid              |
| Program Manager                      | Laura Woods                |
| Research & Projects Manager          | Kate Rossiter              |
| and Safe Choices Program Coordinator |                            |
| Indigenous Community Safety Manager  | Michelle Buchholz (former) |
| Communications Manager               | Nancy Boyce                |
| Program Administrator                | Jessica Lee                |
| Research Associate                   | Misha Dhillon              |
| Administrative Assistant             | Kathleen Yang (current)    |
|                                      | Mona Chan (former)         |

### **Community Coordination for Women's Safety Program**

|                                   |                          |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Manager, CCWS & ICAT              | Debby Hamilton           |
| Regional Coordinators             | Gail Edinger             |
|                                   | Kristi Yuris             |
|                                   | Brooke McLardy           |
| Regional Coordinator (contracted) | Morgen Baldwin           |
| Legal Analyst                     | Heather Wojcik (current) |
|                                   | Gisela Ruebsaat (former) |

## Our Partners

EVA BC is grateful for funding and working partnerships with the following organizations in the 2016–2017 fiscal year:

BC Association of Aboriginal Friendship Centres  
BC Chiefs of Police and BC Chiefs of Municipal Police  
BC Dental Hygienists' Association  
BC Federation of Labour  
BC Institute of Technology  
BC Lions Football Club  
BC Ministry of Children and Family Development  
BC Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training and Responsible for Labour  
BC Ministry of Justice  
BC Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General  
BC Ministry of Social Development and Social Innovation  
BC Representative for Children and Youth  
BC Society of Transition Houses  
BC Women's Hospital & Health Centre  
BCNU Men in Nursing  
Department of Justice Canada  
Encana Corporation  
FREDA Centre for Research on Violence Against Women and Children  
Health Sciences Association  
John Howard Society  
Justice Education Society of BC  
Justice Institute of BC  
Law Foundation of BC  
Law Foundation of Ontario  
Legal Services Society of BC  
MOSAIC  
Nisga'a Lisims Government  
Northern Society for Domestic Peace  
Pacific DisAbled Women's Network (DAWN)  
Provincial Office of Domestic Violence  
Royal Canadian Mounted Police "E" Division  
Status of Women Canada  
University of British Columbia  
Vancouver Coastal Health  
Vancouver Foundation  
Warriors on Water  
West Coast LEAF

## Co-Chairs' Report

As the Co-Chairs of EVA BC's Board of Directors for 2016-2017, we are pleased to offer this report on the Board's activities relative to the governance of this hard-working organization that serves to support its membership, along with providing strong anti-violence leadership on a number of fronts here in British Columbia and throughout Canada. EVA BC Board members bring their perspectives and years of experience in Community-Based Victim Services, Stopping the Violence Counselling, Stopping the Violence Outreach and Multicultural Outreach programs to their work at the Board level.

The Board of Directors met regularly during the year – twice in person and several times via teleconference. These meetings are always rich with information sharing that helps guide our decision making. Board members also serve on a number of working committees that meet throughout the year, including Finance, Policy, Personnel, Membership and the Annual Training Forum.

The Board works closely with the Executive Director to fulfill the overall vision and direction of the organization, in keeping with its mandate to coordinate and support the work of victim-serving and other anti-violence programs in BC. The development and delivery of high calibre training and resources, effective research, public awareness and education initiatives like the groundbreaking *Be More Than a Bystander*, and the fostering of cross-sectoral coordination and collaboration exemplified by our flagship program, *Community Coordination for Women's Safety*, are all hallmarks of EVA BC's ongoing growth and success.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, we want to extend our appreciation to EVA BC's management and staff – this small, dynamic group accomplishes so much every year. We also want to acknowledge the incredible work of our member organizations who deliver critical frontline services in communities throughout BC, and pay tribute to the resilience and courage of the many people who have experienced gender-based violence, yet go on to survive and heal. We are all on this path together.

**Irene Willsie**  
Co-Chair, EVA BC Board

**Ernestine (Ernie) Wood**  
Co-Chair, EVA BC Board

## Executive Director's Report

I am pleased to present this, EVA BC's 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Report, to our membership comprised of over 300 anti-violence programs and initiatives from across British Columbia, as well as to our partners and supporters in BC and across Canada.

It is incredible to think this is our 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Report, and to reflect on how much EVA BC has developed in those twenty-five years. Time and time again, I have seen how the commitment and hard work of EVA BC member programs, staff, board members and partners have effected positive changes that support anti-violence workers and the many people whose lives have been impacted by gender-based violence.

EVA BC works very hard to both lead and be as responsive as possible to the changing landscape of public dialogue, policy, legislation and funding. We serve our membership to the best of our ability and fulfill a leadership role in the movement to end gender-based violence in our society. Most of our work is done in partnership to ensure our lens is multi-sectoral. We regularly support members through one-on-one consultations, and provide opportunities throughout the year for information sharing among programs. People are always telling us they can't believe the incredible resources that are available on our website – for free! Today, I am proud to highlight a number of our accomplishments in EVA BC's 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Report.

Our Community Coordination for Women's Safety team continues to amaze us all as they travel throughout the province connecting with communities and strengthening coordination efforts. During the period of this report, CCWS provided direct support to 90 BC communities by way of in-person training, community and regional capacity-building sessions, telephone and e-mail consultations. They delivered many, many workshops over the course of the year to assist communities in the development or enhancement of their coordination initiatives; as well as workshops on risk identification and safety planning, best practices, and response to sexual violence.

Their cutting edge work with the growth of Interagency Case Assessment Teams (ICATs) saw 28 BC communities and 605 criminal justice, child welfare, health, anti-violence and other social service providers across BC receive ICAT training. As of March 31, 2017, this brought the number of communities with Interagency Case Assessment Teams (ICAT), Highest Risk Domestic Violence Teams (HRDV) or Domestic Violence Units (DVU) to 58, and communities with access to ICATs to 99.



Extensive work was also done to develop the second edition of the ICAT Best Practices Guide, *Interagency Case Assessment Team Best Practices: Working Together to Reduce the Risk of Domestic Violence*. The ICAT Research Project, looking at the efficacy of ICATs in BC, neared its completion in the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

CCWS also continued to act as a lead around Third Party Reporting (TPR). Following the re-engagement of the TPR Work Team in recent years and the update of the TPR Protocol, BC's police services reached an agreement with CCWS to enhance the current Third Party Reporting (TPR) provincial protocol. This enhancement includes an RCMP Sergeant filling a liaison position to support the efforts of RCMP and municipal police as they investigate incidents reported by way of TPR. This will improve the ability of police services to review TPRs from across the province to identify linkages between investigations of sexual assaults within and across police jurisdictions. Thanks to a Civil Forfeiture grant from the Province of BC, we were able to deliver training to anti-violence workers and police to ensure sexual assault responders have a shared understanding of best practices in responding to sexual assault and TPR options.

CCWS continues to emphasize the involvement of Indigenous communities and service providers into all its community development work and provides additional support as needed for EVA BC's activities addressing violence against Indigenous women, such as the Indigenous Communities Safety Project and Be More Than a Bystander Indigenous Presentations. In the past year, CCWS also continued to support the development of a unique VAWIR and ICAT initiative in the Nisga'a Nation.

Be More Than a Bystander keeps growing and expanding its reach. After six years, by March 31, 2017, the campaign's reach was conservatively estimated to be in excess of 452 million impressions, with close to 100,000 people hearing the Be More Than a Bystander message in person! Many of you will remember that we held the First Annual Be More Than a Bystander Awards at the Annual Training Forum in November 2016. We were so pleased that its very first recipients were Vancouver high school student Eric Miranda and long-time anti-violence worker and advocate Melinda Mack of Bella Coola.

We've also been looking at the efficacy of connecting youth in remote communities with the Be More Than a Bystander message through various tech platforms like Skype, and assessing what topics could be suitably and safely addressed in this manner. In April 2016, we launched a new 30-minute video, *Become More Than Bystanders: Ending Violence Against Women in Resource Industry Workplaces*. This was the result of an exciting partnership with the BC Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training and Responsible for Labour and Encana Corporation. The video offers the Be More Than a Bystander model as an effective way to prevent violence against women in the workplace.

I'd also like to mention the great work of our Safe Choices program. Safe Choices focuses on improving the health and safety of LGBT2SQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans\*, Two-Spirit and queer) women who are currently or have been in abusive same-sex/gender relationships and preventing relationship violence. It provides information and tools in the form of community workshops that encourage healthy relationships, as well as delivering educational workshops that focus on LGBT2SQ women's experiences, for those who work in anti-violence, victim services, social services and health care settings.

Following on the heels of our Western Canada Sexual Assault Initiative, we had a one-year project to address the issue of campus sexual assault and assisted four post-secondary institutions in BC in enhancing their response by implementing best practices in a number of ways.

As always, collaboration is one of the hallmarks of EVA BC's work. Just a couple of examples during this period includes our participation in the Advisory Group for the Community Vitality Index project in Kitimat that was measuring and tracking women's wellbeing in resource industry communities, and our involvement in a coalition of women's organizations from across the country that was granted intervener status in the Justice Robin Camp inquiry.

EVA BC regularly provides consultation to and participates in initiatives by the Province of BC and the Government of Canada when they seek expertise from the anti-violence field. Regular input from frontline programs informs the messages EVA BC shares with government. We also work proactively to keep government apprised of emerging issues and trends in the field. Examples of some of our interactions in the 2016-2017 fiscal year include a presentation to the Budget Committee of the BC Legislature, participation in the Domestic Violence Death Review Panel convened by the BC Coroners Service, and regular consultation and information sharing with a number of ministries.

Our work continues to be noticed by broader and broader audiences. People from many different sectors and all walks of life are calling us up to ask how they can help and what role can they play in ending the violence. And to all of you who respond to and support the people who experience gender-based violence, please accept my continued respect and deepest thanks.

Sincerely,

**Tracy Porteous**  
Executive Director, EVA BC

## Our Work

### Member Support

#### One-on-One Consultations

EVA BC provides regular support to front-line workers and administrators in 230 STV Counselling, STV Outreach, Multicultural Outreach and Community-Based Victim Services programs across BC.

Each year, member programs bring to our attention a wide range of issues and concerns that they are encountering in their work. The following is a very small sampling of the types of challenges faced by anti-violence programs in the 2016–2017 fiscal year:

- Need for trauma-informed training for justice system personnel
- Legal services for low- and moderate-income women
- Advanced training options needed for STV Counsellors
- Anti-violence wages below those of counterparts doing the same work
- Supports and services for survivors who don't qualify for Crime Victim Assistance Program (CVAP)
- Gender-inclusive language
- Risks for women related to criminal justice system process
- Local community capacity needs for building and sustaining VAWIR and ICAT
- Need for more dialogue between MCFD and anti-violence workers regarding systems response to domestic violence when children are present
- Training needs for programs, both frontline and managers
- Privacy and confidentiality concerns in agency-wide shared database
- Challenges of working in remote and rural communities
- Providing services to transgendered clients
- Third Party Reports for survivors under 19
- Women victims of abuse being mistakenly arrested
- Lack of Community-Based Victim Services programs
- Sexual assault response coordination challenges
- Lack of affordable housing
- Need for more options for anti-violence services that can take Third Party Reports
- Disconnect between criminal and family court systems about cases that involve domestic violence

## Surveys

### Annual Programs Survey

EVA BC's Annual Programs Survey was carried out in March 2017. The survey was distributed to all Ministry funded programs in the province and topics were "Service Demands," "Program Standards," and "Women Mistakenly Arrested."

Survey responses from Community-Based Victim Services, Stopping the Violence Counselling, Stopping the Violence Outreach and Multicultural Outreach programs were summarized and submitted to the BC Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General as part of EVA BC's contract deliverables, as well as to inform our own planning for future projects.

### Teleconference Calls

EVA BC facilitated four teleconference calls with Stopping the Violence counsellors, Stopping the Violence Outreach and Multicultural Outreach workers, and Community-Based Victim Service workers in May 2016.

Participants were provided with brief updates on current EVA BC activities. This was followed by general discussions on topics requested by call participants. Some of the main topics of discussion were: updates on the procurement process, engaging men and boys in anti-violence work, legal services for low-income women who don't qualify for Legal Aid, training Judiciary and engaging Crown, supports for clients experiencing complex trauma, trauma-informed practice training opportunities, RCMP that are not aware of and not following their primary aggressor policy, Third Party Reporting, the need for updated Records Management Guidelines, and access to services for male survivors.

### EVA BC Annual Training Forum 2016

The 2-day province wide training for victim service providers in British Columbia, *#OurTimeisNow: Ending Gender-Based Violence*, was held on November 24 and 25, 2016 at the Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel in Richmond. ATF 2016 was made possible with funding from the Province of BC and Department of Justice Canada, and was delivered in partnership with the Legal Services Society of BC.

The 2016 Training Forum brought together over 300 diverse front-line responders of sexual violence, domestic violence and child abuse from across BC including community-based victim services workers, victim outreach workers, Stopping the Violence counsellors, Indigenous women, police, and other responders to violence against women, as well as representatives from government and BC's universities and colleges. The Training Forum included four plenary sessions and 16 workshops, delivered by gender based violence response experts who used successful, innovative training methods and proven communication tools to assist responders to manage the emerging trends and current issues they face as they help victims/survivors.

## Newsletter

EVA BC produced four newsletters in the 2016-2017 fiscal year:

**June 2016 Print Edition:** This edition featured highlights from the first five years of the Be More Than a Bystander program; a wrap-up of the Western Canada Sexual Assault Initiative project; and an overview of the recently completed Forced Marriage project that EVA BC partnered on with MOSAIC highlighting the public awareness posters produced by that project. It also includes an excerpt from the Governor General of Canada's new book, *The Idea of Canada: Letters to a Nation*, and a short article about Bikers Against Child Abuse (BACA). Other regular features such as the Odin Book Review, News from Around BC, and Training, Projects and Partnerships, and Staff Updates were also included.

**July 2016 EVA E-News:** Be More Than a Bystander Leadership Development in Saskatchewan was featured, along with quick links to the many new EVA BC resources developed through the Western Canada Sexual Assault Initiative that wrapped up in May, links to new resources from the Forced Marriage Project that was completed in April with MOSAIC, improving response to sexual assault training delivered to security directors from Western Canadian universities and colleges, and the Annual Training Forum 2016. As always, there were also numerous links to relevant resources, partners and events.

**November 2016 Print Edition:** The Fall 2016 print edition newsletter was released in conjunction with the ATF 2016. The feature article highlighted contributions from ATF keynote speakers Jessica Wood, David Lisak and Farrah Khan; as well as an article on recent legal aid innovations from our event partner Legal Services Society of BC. A remembrance of Julie Gibson was contributed by her colleagues from Sunshine Coast Community Services; and regular features such as Training, Projects and Partnerships, and Staff Updates.

**February 2016 EVA E-News:** This edition of EVA E-News featured Be More Than a Bystander entering into its sixth season visiting students in BC schools; information and registration links for the Trauma Informed Justice Symposium and Dr. Lori Haskell's upcoming workshop for EVA BC; a brief remembrance of Pat Kelln; and a welcome to our new Indigenous Communities Safety Manager, Michelle Buchholz.

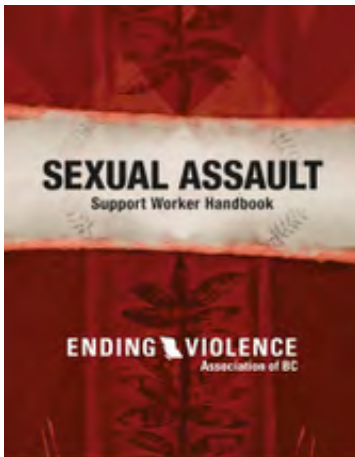
Past newsletters are available online at: [endingviolence.org/research-publications/](http://endingviolence.org/research-publications/)

## Research and Publications

Guided by priorities identified by anti-violence programs in British Columbia, EVA BC develops publications, resources and tools to assist service providers. All our materials relate to sexual and/or domestic violence, child abuse and criminal harassment. We also conduct research and analysis of policy, program and legislative issues that affect our programs and the people they serve. The vast majority of EVA BC resources are available on our website for free download at [endingviolence.org/research-publications/](http://endingviolence.org/research-publications/).

***EVA Notes: A recurring series of notes on gender-based violence*** – This ongoing series of briefing notes is intended to inform and direct anti-violence workers on timely and complex issues. EVA Notes is distributed through the listservs and available on our website. Editions distributed during the period of this report were:

- *Gender-Based Needs Assessment*
- *When Disaster Strikes, Advancing Gender Equality in Canada*
- *Animal Abuse and Domestic Violence*



***Sexual Assault Support Worker Handbook, May 2016*** – This update of the handbook, last revised in 2007, was developed as part of *the Western Canada Sexual Assault Initiative* funded by Status of Women Canada.

Other significant resources developed as part of this project were:

- ***Sexual Assault Disclosure Response Practice Tips*** tailored for a range of professionals including police, paramedics, physicians, child protection workers, and others.
- ***Campus Sexual Violence: Guidelines for a Comprehensive Response***
- Sexual assault information pamphlets, ***I Have Been Sexually Assaulted, What Do I Do?***, available in six languages.

All resources from the Western Canada Sexual Assault Initiative are available on our website at <http://endingviolence.org/prevention-programs/western-canada-sexual-assault-initiative/>



## Website



The EVA BC website has proven to be an invaluable tool for our member programs, and for anyone seeking information on gender-based violence. Since redesigning the site in 2014, we continue to keep content current with information about our activities and programs, as well as our comprehensive collection of EVA BC resources that are available for free download.

Between April 1, 2016 and March 31, 2017, the site drew 437,568 visits, averaging 36,264 visits per month, or 1,202 per day (see Figure 1).

### EVA BC Website Usage 2016 – 2017

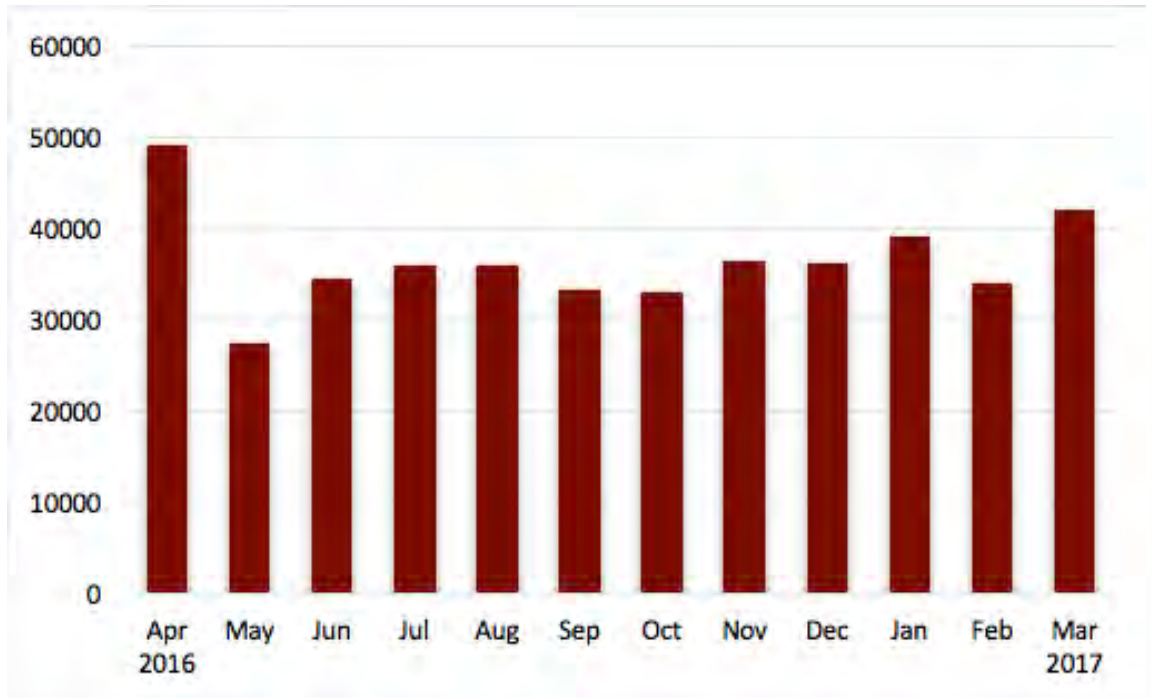


Figure 1. Source: EVA BC

## Social Media

EVA BC is increasingly active on social media. Regular postings, many new followers and ongoing engagement with peers and partners are all part of the mix. Many peers and partners connect with and support EVA BC through social media. Examples of this include our member programs; the BC Lions Football Club and individual Be More Than a Bystander spokespersons like Travis Lulay, Rolly Lumbala, Angus Reid and J.R. LaRose; elected officials from the Ministry of Justice, Ministry for Children and Family Development and Status of Women Canada; the Canadian Women’s Foundation; Disability Alliance BC; West Coast LEAF, and many more. The “EVA TV” YouTube Channel offers a comprehensive archive of EVA BC videos and radio.



Find us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/EndingViolence.org](http://www.facebook.com/EndingViolence.org)

View us on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/user/endviolencebc>

Follow us on Twitter @EndViolenceBC

## Listservs and Email Groups

EVA BC manages seven listservs, which continue to be an important way for member programs and anti-violence workers to learn and to share information. Our staff monitors the content and contributes to the discussions. The listservs provide a vital forum for discussion and information sharing. EVA BC members can join the listservs by signing up on our website. We offer listservs across the province for:

- STV Counselling
- Community-Based Victim Services
- STV Outreach
- Executive Directors
- Indigenous Women
- Community Coordination of Violence Against Women Initiatives
- The CCWS Provincial Working Group

## Database of Clinical Supervisors

EVA BC maintains a database of experienced feminist clinical supervisors across BC who are available to work with STV counselling programs.



## Programs and Initiatives

### **Community Coordination for Women’s Safety (CCWS)**

This major provincial program helps BC communities develop and improve models of cross-sector coordination on violence against women. CCWS brings together different sectors in a community – counselling centres, transition houses, police, hospitals, Indigenous services and others – to ensure that all services work together as effectively as possible.



### **Community Support and Capacity Building**

Between April 1, 2016 and March 31, 2017, CCWS regional coordinators provided support to 90 BC communities by way of in-person training, community and regional capacity-building sessions, and telephone and e-mail consultations (see Figure 2).

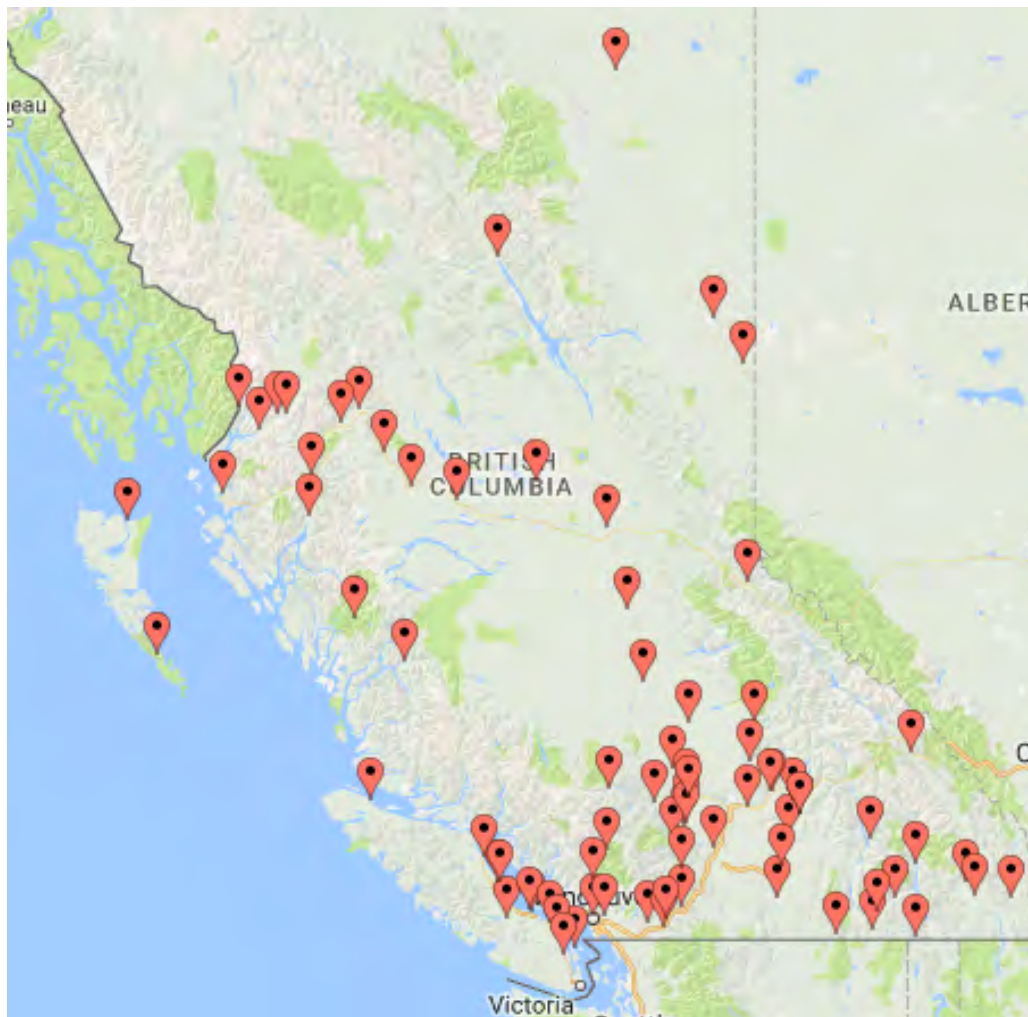


Figure 2. Source: Produced by EVA BC at [www.batchgeo.com](http://www.batchgeo.com)

Communities reached by CCWS during the 2016-2017 fiscal year:

|                 |                      |                      |
|-----------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 100 Mile House  | Gitwinksihlkw        | Port Alberni         |
| Agassiz         | Gold Bridge          | Port Hardy           |
| Adams Lake Band | Golden               | Prince George        |
| Ashcroft        | Grand Forks          | Prince Rupert        |
| Barriere        | Haida Gwaii          | Queen Charlotte City |
| Baylorn         | Hazelton             | Quesnel              |
| Bella Coola     | Hope                 | Robson Valley        |
| Boston Bar      | Houston              | Salmo                |
| Burnaby         | Kamloops             | Salmon Arm           |
| Burns Lake      | Kanak Bar FN         | Salt Spring Island   |
| Cache Creek     | Kaslo                | Skappuh First Nation |
| Campbell River  | Kelowna              | Splats'in            |
| Castlegar       | Kimberly             | Squillix             |
| Chilliwack      | Kitimat              | Squamish             |
| Clearwater      | Ladysmith            | Spence's Bridge      |
| Clinton         | Laxgalts'ap          | Smithers             |
| Comox Valley    | Lillooet             | Stewart              |
| Cooks Ferry FN  | Lytton               | Terrace              |
| Courtenay       | Lytton First Nation  | Thompson River       |
| Cranbrook       | Masset               | Estates              |
| Creston         | Merritt              | Trail                |
| Dawson Creek    | Nakusp               | Tseh Key Dene        |
| Duncan          | Nanaimo              | Vancouver            |
| Elk Valley      | Nass Valley/         | Venables Valley      |
| Enderby         | Nisga'a Territory    | Vernon               |
| Fort St. James  | Nelson               | Walhachin            |
| Fort St. John   | Neskonlith           | Whistler             |
| Fort Nelson     | Nicomen First Nation | Williams Lake        |
| Gitlaxt'aamiks  | Oceanside            |                      |
| Gingolx         | Parksville           |                      |
| Gitwangak       | Penticton            |                      |

**CCWS offered the following community capacity-building sessions this fiscal year:**

**ICAT Best Practices Workshop (Burnaby, April 12, 2016):** This one-day workshop presented the Best Practices to 19 participants from an existing ICAT team. This training addressed the importance of coordination, Oak Bay homicides, ICAT background, identifying high risk domestic violence cases, sharing information legally and ethically, ICAT case review process and record keeping, member roles, and collaborating on risk management.

**Indigenous Community Safety Planning (Adams Lake Indian Band, April 26, 2016):** A gathering of women and children from Little Shuswap Indian Band came

together with staff from CCWS and the Kamloops Sexual Assault Centre. We shared a BBQ, talked about Indigenous Community Safety Planning and how to build community capacity.

**VAWIR Information Session (Kamloops, April 28, 2016):** This session was attended by 13 participants representing a variety of service providers including Interior Community Services, community-based victim services, RCMP victim services, RCMP, Kamloops Sexual Assault, Kamloops YMCA/YWCA, and Kamloops Aboriginal Friendship Society.

**Kamloops Elizabeth Fry Society Conference (May 6, 2016):** CCWS delivered a presentation to the Kamloops Elizabeth Fry Society conference, which included participants from the South Cariboo, Thompson/Okanagan and Gold Trail regions about CCWS, EVA BC, ICAT and member programs and projects.

**Creating an Action Plan: VAWIR Consultation Upper Fraser Cascade (Hope; May 12, 2016):** Half-day strategic planning workshop delivered to over 20 VAWIR members, including new members from local First Nations.

**ICAT Safety Planning and Risk Assessment (Nelson; June 6, 2016):** CCWS and RCMP facilitated refresher training and consultation for the Nelson ICAT (which includes both RCMP and Municipal police).

**ICAT Consultation (Campbell River; June 6, 2016):** This half-day consultation for an existing ICAT team answered questions that have arisen during their work on highest risk cases.

**Working Collaboratively to Identify and Respond to Highest Risk Domestic Violence (Parksville/Oceanside; June 7 and 8, 2016):** This two-day training focused on revitalizing the local Community Coordination Action Team and giving them tools to develop an ICAT.

**Building a Coordination Initiative, VAWIR and ICAT (Lillooet; June 15, 2016):** CCWS staff met with 24 participants to provide an information session about VAWIR and ICAT.

**Building a Coordination Initiative, VAWIR and ICAT (Lytton; June 30, 2016):** This information session was attended by 5 service providers from Lytton First Nations Mental Health, Child & Family Services from the Nlha'7kapmx First Nation, The Tsitxw Society Transition House, Restorative Justice from Lytton First Nations and RCMP.

**Risk Identification Consultation (Trail; July 8, 2016):** Consultation with CCWS regarding strategies for resource materials and planning a presentation to create awareness among community members about risk identification.

**Working Collaboratively to Identify and Respond to Domestic Violence Risk (Duncan Community Training; September 26, 2016):** This CCWS workshop was co-facilitated by a staff from MCFD Policy and Practice. Attended by 16 participants, the training was designed for those who work in community and may need to make an ICAT referral (such as schools, clinics, hospital, non-profits, First Nations agencies, daycares, etc.).

**Working Collaboratively to Identify and Respond to Domestic Violence Risk (Cowichan Valley ICAT; Duncan; September 27, 2016):** This workshop delivered to 15 participants focused on assisting the existing ICAT team in aligning their current processes with the ICAT Best Practices.

**Working Collaboratively to Identify and Respond to Domestic Violence Risk (Vancouver; September 29, 2016):** CCWS, along with staff from Vancouver Coastal Health and a MCFD Director of Practice, presented a workshop that reviewed the ICAT Best Practices Manual to 31 participants of the Vancouver Highest Risk Domestic Violence Team. The importance of information sharing and collaboration from multiple sectors was emphasized.

**Building a VAWIR (Ashcroft; October 12, 2016):** An in-person planning session was held on October 12, 2016.

**Collaborating Across Systems: Preventing and Responding to Domestic Violence Against Women and Children (PODV Conference; Richmond; October 18-19, 2016):** CCWS staff were active at the PODV conference, both attending the conference and delivering the following workshops:

- *ICAT Best Practices Guidelines: Focus on Strategies to Keep Communities Safer* (CCWS)
- *Information Sharing and Privacy Rights: Collaborating to Help Keep Survivors Supported and Safe* (CCWS delivered with MCFD)
- *Forced Marriage* (CCWS delivered with EVA BC and MOSAIC)

**Domestic Violence Risk Identification, Risk Assessment Tools, and Risk Management Techniques (Enderby; October 21, 2016):** Staff from CCWS and EVA BC's Indigenous Community Safety Program presented to the Splatsin Band in Enderby on domestic violence signs, risk assessment tools and risk management techniques. This workshop was attended by Health Services programs, council members and elders.

**Healing Through Learning: Trauma Informed Practice in the North (Prince George; October 21, 2016):** This 75-minute session covered the importance of community collaboration and coordination between service providers in responding to domestic violence cases. 65 participants from various services and communities in the region discussed the benefits of VAWIR Committees and ICATs.

**Enhancing Safety: Empowering the Campbell River VIR (Campbell River; October 27, 2016):** CCWS co-facilitated this session for 30 participants at the Rose Harbour First Nations Health Centre. Attended by police, health and hospital, probation, Indigenous services, MCFD, Immigrant services, women's services and counsellors.

**ICAT: Updated Best Practices and Information Sharing Parameters (EVA BC Annual Training Forum; November 24, 2016):** Topics discussed included linking of ICAT to local coordination committees, membership of ICAT and roles of members, updates to process and procedures including transferring files between communities, documentation and record keeping, information sharing and privacy legislation updates.

**Coordinating Sexual Assault Responses (EVA BC Annual Training Forum; November 24, 2016):** 31 participants from different communities throughout the province took part in this workshop that showcased a panel of workers from the field who shared their experience and models of response.

**Forum for Domestic Violence Unit Partnerships (EVA BC Annual Training Forum; November 25, 2016):** 42 participants attended this forum/workshop that provided DVU partners with a chance to share their expertise regarding relevant practices that guide their work.

**ICAT Training (Salmon Arm; January 24, 2017):** This one-day Evaluation Pilot for the new ICAT training curriculum and materials was delivered in partnership with the RCMP and PODV. 26 participants attended from Interagency Case Assessment Teams from Salmon Arm, Enderby, Kamloops, 100 Mile House and Williams Lake.

**VAWIR Coordination Training (Salmon Arm; January 25, 2017):** CCWS staff, along with two staff members from the Provincial Office of Domestic Violence presented Coordination Training to 25 participants from the Shuswap Violence Against Women in Relationships Committee that serves the Salmon Arm region. The training focused on the tools of coordination and barriers to relationship building.

**Best Practices in Coordinated Responses to Sexual Violence (Terrace; February 7, 2017):** This training was on support and reporting options for sexual assault survivors, with a focus on Third Party Reporting of sexual assault. 35 participants attended from diverse sectors (CBVS, PBVS, RCMP, STV Counselling and Outreach, Health, Mental Health and Addictions, MCFD, Indigenous organizations, college staff and others) and communities (Houston, Hazelton, Terrace, Kitimat, Nass Valley).

**ICAT Refresher Training (Nass Valley; February 8, 2017):** This session in Gitlaxt'aamiks was hosted by the Nisga'a Lisims Government Access to Justice



Department, Lisims/Nass Valley RCMP and the Nisga'a School District. The ICAT refresher focused on skill building in the following areas: identifying highest risk domestic violence cases, effectively and legally sharing information with cross-sector colleagues, gaining informed consent from victims, looking at the process of referrals and reviewing cases, case documentation, risk management planning and records management.

**ICAT Refresher Training (New Hazelton; February 9, 2017):** This session in New Hazelton was hosted by the Hazelton VIR Committee and organized by New Hazelton RCMP, and Northern Society for Domestic Peace CBVS program. The training was well attended by a broad range of service providers including RCMP, CBVS, Community Corrections, MCFD, Gitxsan Government Commission, Gitxsan Health Authority, and Wilp Si'Satwxw healing centre.

### **Regional Capacity Building**

**ICAT Best Practices (Salmon Arm, Revelstoke, Chase, Malakwa, Sicamous; May 26, 2016):** This one-day regional training session delivered to 57 participants focused on increasing capacity in identifying high risk domestic violence cases, sharing information legally and ethically, collaborating on increasing safety and the process of ICAT using best practices.

**ICAT Safety Planning and Risk Assessment (West Kootenays – Castlegar, Trail, Nelson, Salmo, Kaslo, Nakusp, Grand Forks) June 7, 2016:** CCWS, RCMP and a MCFD Director of Practice delegate delivered this session to approximately 60 people from the West Kootenays/Arrow Lakes region regarding ICAT Best Practices.

**Developing a Collaborative Response to Domestic Violence (Lillooet, September 28 and 29, 2016):** This 2-day training about building VAWIR and ICAT was the culmination of a year of support from CCWS to this community. A planning team was developed after an in-person information session and several teleconference meetings were held to support the community development aspect of the work prior to CCWS bringing in the training.

**Best Practices in Coordinated Responses to Sexual Violence (Cranbrook; November 3, 2016):** 47 participants attended this full-day training for the East Kootenay region. It covered material on sexual assault prevalence, coordinated responses to sexual violence, reporting options, tools for sexual assault prevention and case studies for coordinated teams.

**ICAT Refresher Training (Creston, Kimberly and Cranbrook Regional Training; February 23, 2017):** This training focused on increasing skills of the local Interagency Case Assessment Team (ICAT). Topics included skill building in the following areas: identifying highest risk domestic violence cases, effectively and legally sharing information with cross-sector colleagues, gaining

informed consent from victims, looking at the process of referrals and reviewing cases, case documentation, risk management planning and records management.

### **Support for EVA BC Projects Addressing Violence Against Indigenous Women**

CCWS has integrated a comprehensive approach emphasizing the involvement of Indigenous communities and service providers into all its community development work to increase the safety of Indigenous women. CCWS provides support, mentoring and knowledge sharing for projects addressing violence against Indigenous women, such as EVA BC's Indigenous Communities Safety Project (ICSP), Indigenous Be More Than a Bystander presentations and the development of training on Risk Identification and Safety Planning for Indigenous communities.

CCWS continues to support the development of a unique VAWIR and ICAT initiative in the Nisga'a Nation. The initiative includes the four Nisga'a Villages (Gitlaxt'aamikx, Gingolx, Gitwinksihlkw and Laxgalts'ap) in the Nass Valley as well as three urban locals (Terrace, Prince Rupert/Port Edward and Vancouver), which provide a voice for Nisga'a citizens who live outside the Nass Valley.

### **Interagency Case Assessment Teams (ICAT)**

ICATs are partnership groups that include criminal justice, child welfare, health, victim service, anti-violence and community workers with a collective goal of keeping "highest risk" domestic violence victims, their children and the community safer. CCWS/EVA BC have been taking a leadership role in helping communities set up ICATs and CCWS regularly responds to requests from communities in all regions of BC to provide training, information, resources and support for ICAT initiatives.

As of March 31, 2017, there were 58 BC communities with Interagency Case Assessment Teams (ICAT), Highest Risk Domestic Violence Teams (HRDV) or Domestic Violence Units (DVU), and 99 communities with access to ICATs.

In the period from April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017, 28 BC communities and 605 criminal justice, child welfare, health, anti-violence and other social service providers across BC received ICAT training that enabled them to develop skills, knowledge and attitudes to effectively identify risk, share information and create safety and monitoring plans in highest risk domestic violence situations.

During the period of this report, CCWS worked with an education consultant for the RCMP to update curriculum and training materials for ICAT workshops. The ICAT workshop has been edited to be more experiential for participants, with numerous case studies and exercises over nine skill-building modules. An assessment was developed to test participants' learning outcomes.

Following the ICAT Roundtable held in September 2013, the ICAT Best Practices Work Team was established to develop best practice protocols and resources to assist developing ICATs. The committee met regularly to provide key feedback throughout the development of the ICAT resource guide, *Interagency Case Assessment Team Best Practices: Working Together to Reduce the Risk of Domestic Violence*, which was released in July 2015. During the period of this report, an update process for the resource guide was underway, using feedback and edits provided by stakeholders, subject matter experts and field users.

The ICAT Research Project, looking at the efficacy of ICATs in BC, neared its completion in the 2016-2017 fiscal year. Funded partially by the Law Foundation of BC, this work is supported by an ICAT Research Oversight Committee of which the FREDA Centre is a member.

ICAT information and resources can be found on our website at [endingviolence.org/prevention-programs/ccws-program/interagency-case-assessment-teams-icats/](http://endingviolence.org/prevention-programs/ccws-program/interagency-case-assessment-teams-icats/).

## Intersectoral Collaboration

Meetings, communications and collaborations took place with a wide range of representatives from other groups and sectors, including: BC Association of Aboriginal Friendship Centres (BCAAFC), BC Association of Chiefs of Police (BCACP), BC Society for Male Survivors of Sexual Abuse, Community Corrections, Disability Alliance BC, The FREDA Centre, John Howard Society, Ministry of Advanced Education, Ministry of Children and Family Development, Provincial Office of Domestic Violence, Ministry of Social Development and Social Innovation, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General, MOSAIC, Provincial Office of Domestic Violence, RCMP, Vancouver Coastal Health, and West Coast LEAF. Specific examples of some of the collaborative activities by CCWS in 2016-2017 included:

Provincial Working Group: The CCWS Provincial Working Group, which has met twice a year since November 2001, includes senior personnel from government, police and community agencies. The Working Group facilitates cross-sector information sharing opportunities between its members, who provide input on issues related to their fields of expertise and identify local and provincial strategies to help enhance coordination and implementation of anti-violence policies. The Provincial Working Group met twice in this fiscal year, on October 17, 2016 and March 8, 2017.

VAWIR Committee Conference Calls: CCWS facilitated two conference calls with Violence Against Women in Relationships (VAWIR) committee coordinators from around the province on October 13, 2016 and on February 21, 2017. Topics discussed by the 18 participants on the October call included coordination foundation and revitalization, counselling and support for men who have used



violence, trans inclusion efforts and ideas, and victim impact statements. During the February call, one of the main topics discussed by the 20 participants was about women being mistakenly arrested in cases of relationship violence, after suffering a history of abuse by their male partners.

Third Party Reporting: In 2008, a province-wide Third Party Reporting (TPR) Protocol was implemented in British Columbia by EVA BC's CCWS program in partnership with a provincial Work Team that included the BC Association of Chiefs of Police, RCMP "E" Division, Saanich Police Department, Vancouver Police Department Sex Crimes Unit, and the BC Ministry of Justice. Local coordination of the BC TPR protocol is facilitated by Community-Based Victim Services (CBVS) programs in collaboration with RCMP and Municipal Police. In 2013, CCWS/EVA BC re-engaged the TPR Work Team to discuss policy and protocol implementation successes and challenges. Based on research and information gathered, the 2008 Provincial Protocol was updated.

During the period of this report, BC's police services reached an agreement with CCWS to enhance the current Third Party Reporting (TPR) provincial protocol to ensure consistency of response and collection of data. This enhancement to the protocol is one of several initiatives the provincial TPR Work Team has engaged in to increase the availability of this important reporting option across the province. This enhancement has an RCMP Sergeant acting as a liaison with RCMP detachments and municipal police departments to support their efforts to investigate incidents reported by way of TPR. This liaison position will also improve the ability of police services to review TPRs from across the province to identify linkages between investigations of sexual assaults within and across police jurisdictions.

TPR information and resources can be found on our website at <http://endingviolence.org/prevention-programs/ccws-program/third-party-reporting-tpr/>.

### **Resource Development**

Each year, CCWS produces resources to help people in the field analyze issues from a cross-disciplinary perspective. The following new resources were created in the 2016-2017 fiscal year:

- Two **CCWS News Bulletins** with updates on the program's activities were published in October 2016 and March 2017, respectively.
- **Building a Coordination Initiative VAWIR/ICAT** (PowerPoint; Interior Region, Gold Trail, Lillooet, June 15, 2016; also adapted for **Lytton** session held on June 30, 2016)
- **Amendment to Section 13 of the Child, Family and Community Service Act Regarding Domestic Violence** (CCWS Information Bulletin; September 2016)

- **Developing a Collaborative Response to Domestic Violence** (PowerPoint; Lillooet; September 28-29, 2016)
- **Third Party Reporting: Local Interagency Protocol Development Checklist**
- **Revised ICAT Training materials:** including facilitator guides, case studies, training exercises and handouts.
- **ICAT Overview: Collaborating Across Systems** (PowerPoint; PODV Conference; October 18 & 19, 2016)
- **Information Sharing and Privacy Rights: Collaborating to Help Keep Survivors Supported and Safe** (PowerPoint; PODV Conference; October 18 & 19, 2016)
- **Forced Marriage: Collaborating Across Systems** (PowerPoint; PODV Conference; October 18 & 19, 2016)
- **A Coordinated Response to Domestic Violence** (PowerPoint; Prince George; October 21, 2016)
- **Amendment to Section 13 of the Child, Family and Community Service Act Regarding Domestic Violence** (CCWS Information Bulletin, final version; October 24, 2016)
- **Domestic Violence Units in British Columbia** (PowerPoint; EVA BC ATF Workshop; November 24, 2016)
- **ICAT: Best Practices and Information Sharing Parameters** (PowerPoint; EVA BC ATF; November 24, 2016)
- **Privacy is Not an Abstract Concept/Table Talk** (Work Sheet; EVA BC ATF; ICAT Workshop; November 24, 2016)
- **ICAT Training Pilot Day** (PowerPoint; Salmon Arm; January 24, 2017)
- **Working Together to Respond Collaboratively to Highest Risk Domestic Violence** (PowerPoint; Gitlaxt'aamiks – February 8, 2017 and New Hazelton – February 9, 2017)
- **Provincial Working Group** (PowerPoint; March 8, 2017)
- **Third Party Reporting Local Interagency Protocol Development Checklist** (Resource tool; July 2016)
- **March 2017 Third Party Reporting Protocol Enhancement** (Info Bulletin; March 2017)
- **Third Party Reporting for Survivors Under 19** (Info Bulletin; February 2017)

### **Other Resources Developed**

- CCWS Capacity Building Summary 2016/2017

### **Safe Choices LGBT2SQ Support and Education Program**

Funded by the SMART Fund of the Vancouver Coastal Health Authority, Safe Choices Support and Education Program focuses on improving the health and safety of LGBT2SQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans\*, Two-Spirit and queer) women who are currently or have been in abusive same-sex/gender relationships and preventing relationship violence. Safe Choices works by providing information and tools in the form of community workshops that encourage healthy relationships, as well as delivering educational workshops that focus on LGBT2SQ women’s experiences, for those who work in anti-violence, victim services, social services and health care settings.



The Safe Choices program welcomed several new Advisory Committee Members during the period of this report. The Advisory Committee plays a key role in providing direction and support for the work of Safe Choices.

Service Provider workshops were delivered at the Provincial Office of Domestic Violence/Ministry of Children and Family Development conference, campus sexual violence conference at University of British Columbia, and EVA BC’s Annual Training Forum, as well as to individual anti-violence agencies, including an in-house workshop for EVA BC and CCWS staff. The program has continued to strengthen relationships with several partners that include QMUNITY, BC’s Queer Resource Centre, and service providers in the health sector.

For the Safe Choices workshop schedule, check the Calendar of Events on the EVA BC website at [www.endingviolence.org](http://www.endingviolence.org) or visit the Safe Choices page at [http://endingviolence.org/safe\\_choices](http://endingviolence.org/safe_choices). Safe Choices is on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/SafeChoicesProgram](http://www.facebook.com/SafeChoicesProgram).

### **Be More Than a Bystander**

The “Be More Than a Bystander” campaign, a ground-breaking partnership between the Ending Violence Association of BC (EVA BC) and the BC Lions Football Club, was launched in Vancouver in July 2011. After six years, by March 31, 2017, the campaign’s reach was conservatively estimated to be in excess of 452 million impressions, it has won several awards, been highlighted in a global session at the United Nations in New York, and been directly responsible for a number of spin-off campaigns across Canada that include the Winnipeg Blue Bombers and Football Saskatchewan. In August 2015, the groundwork laid by this initiative led to the development of the Canadian Football League’s Policy on Violence Against Women, a policy that applies to all CFL players, coaches, officials, executives and staff across Canada.

## Youth Education

The youth education component of the Be More Than a Bystander initiative continues to be immensely popular, and there is an ongoing waitlist for schools that would like to host BMTB presentations. 12,065 youth were reached through 27 school visits throughout BC during the period from April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017. Each school visit typically includes a general assembly presentation to all students and an interactive breakout session with a smaller group of students to foster leadership.

Adding the number of youth reached in 2016-2017 to previous years brings the overall total of students reached through in-person Be More Than a Bystander presentations in BC schools to over 80,000 since the program began.

During the period of this report, Be More Than a Bystander spokespersons also connected with Indigenous youth and communities in BC through special presentations funded by Department of Justice Canada. Other special events such as Train-the-Trainer at BC Institute of Technology and Simon Fraser University Student Residence, among others, bring the total audience reached to date through in-person presentations close to 99,000.



*BC Lions Eric Fraser and Craig Roh delivered an assembly presentation to students at Elkford Secondary in January 2017.*

BC Lions serving as spokespersons for Be More Than a Bystander in the 2016-2017 period were Shawn Gore, Travis Lulay, Rolly Lumbala, J.R. LaRose, Dean Valli, Angus Reid, Jamie Taras, T-Dre Player, Craig Roh, Stephen Adekolu, and Eric Fraser.

EVA BC once again organized local victim support workers through its member programs in each community to attend BMTB presentations and provide any debriefing or crisis support that was needed.

**Exit Surveys**

Exit surveys completed by a sampling of students at each event consistently show significant increases in their knowledge about the issues and their belief they would now act on suggested techniques to “be more than a bystander”.

88% of students reported that after hearing this presentation, if they heard someone saying or doing something abusive about women or girls, they would “try to say or do something” (see Figure 3).



Figure 3: 88% of students reported they would now try to say or do something.

**Remote Outreach**

Priority communities that could benefit from training in the Be More Than a Bystander model were identified in partnership and consultation with the RCMP and MCFD. Meetings took place between these partners and EVA BC’s Community Coordination for Women’s Safety (CCWS) program.



Research was undertaken to look at the efficacy of connecting with youth in remote communities via different technology mediums, assessing what topics could be suitably and safely addressed in this manner, and what platforms could best be employed. Further to this, a Skype pilot was conducted. The development of best practice recommendations for remote outreach went into development during the period of this report.

### **Indigenous Communities Events**

Six special Indigenous Be More Than a Bystander presentations were delivered to 705 people in five Indigenous communities during the period of this report. EVA BC liaised with key local contacts in each community to collaborate in planning the events. Local radio stations and news media were contacted to help promote and spotlight the event and the BMTB initiative. These Indigenous Communities Events were made possible through special project funding from Department of Justice Canada.



*JR Larose delivered BMTB to the people of Haida Gwaii in May 2016.*

### Resource Sector Training Film

A partnership with the BC Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training and Responsible for Labour and Encana Corporation resulted in the launch of EVA BC's training film, *Become More Than Bystanders: Ending Violence Against Women in Resource Industry Workplaces*, in April 2016. The 30-minute video offers the Be More Than a Bystander model as an effective way to prevent violence against women in the workplace. Links to the film and Viewer's Guide can be found at <http://endingviolence.org/prevention-programs/be-more-than-a-bystander/anti-violence-workplace-training-resources/>.



*L-R: Jamie Taras, Director of Community Development, BC Lions; the Honourable Shirley Bond, Minister of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training and Responsible for Labour; the Honourable Stephanie Cadieux, Minister of Children and Family Development; Tracy Porteous, Executive Director, EVA BC; Richard Dunn, Vice-President, Government Relations, Encana.*

### Public Relations Campaign

The public relations campaign for the program has consistently demonstrated strong growth since its inception in 2011. By March 31, 2017 – in its sixth year – the overall publicity reach for Be More Than a Bystander was conservatively estimated at 452 million impressions.

The initiative has consistently stayed in the public eye and generated overwhelming interest. EVA BC continues to be sought out by media as a “go to” source of expertise for commentary and analysis on gender-based violence and as leader of the Be More Than a Bystander initiative. Significantly, BMTB has consistently garnered large amounts of earned media coverage in print, radio and television on major media outlets such as Global TV, CTV, CBC television, CBC radio, the Vancouver Sun, Victoria Times Colonist, The Province, Huffington Post, Metro, and The Globe and Mail.

In November 2016, EVA BC's Executive Director Tracy Porteous attended the *Safe Ireland Summit* in Dublin to talk about the incredible work of the Be More Than a Bystander program.

### First Annual Be More Than a Bystander Awards

EVA BC was pleased to launch the first annual *Be More Than a Bystander Awards* at the EVA BC Annual Training Forum in November 2016. The first two recipients were Vancouver high school student Eric Miranda, and anti-violence worker and advocate Melinda Mack of Bella Coala.

This award honours dedicated community members who make outstanding contributions to ending gender-based violence by speaking up, interrupting and confronting harmful language and behaviour within their community, and who demonstrate courage in opposing gender-based violence. The award is an important continuation of the Tony McNaughton Award for bravery in opposing violence, established by the Ending Relationship Abuse Society of BC (ERA BC) in 2004.



*Eric Miranda and Melinda Mack were the first recipients of the Annual BMTB Awards.*



### **BC Missing Women Network**

Our province-wide BC Missing Women Network is a partnership between EVA BC, the RCMP “E” Division’s BC Missing Persons Centre and the Surrey Women’s Centre. It is a communication system between law enforcement and community victim services to help locate missing women and keep them safe, while respecting their privacy. In keeping with the spirit of locating missing women, the network’s mandate expanded in 2016-2017 to include the occasional circulation of descriptions of women whose remains have been located, but have yet to be identified. It also began to fan out bulletins of historical “cold” cases of missing women.

### **Improving Western Canada’s Response to Sexual Assault Initiative**

Launched in 2014 and completed in May 2016, EVA BC was part of a collaborative project funded by Status of Women Canada that brought together partners from the four western provinces to work towards the common goal of consistent and improved responses to sexual assault in Western Canada. The four project partners were Ending Violence Association of BC, the Association of Alberta Sexual Assault Services, Sexual Assault Services of Saskatchewan and Clinic Community Health of Manitoba. In June 2016, these project partners connected with security directors from all the universities and colleges in Western Canada when they delivered training to improve responses to sexual assault at a conference hosted by the BC Institute of Technology.

The many resources developed through this project are available on our website at <http://endingviolence.org/prevention-programs/western-canada-sexual-assault-initiative/>

### **Indigenous Community Safety**

The Indigenous Communities Safety Project (ICSP) began as a partnership between EVA BC and Legal Services Society with funding from the Law Foundation of Ontario. It was created to provide knowledge sharing opportunities for Indigenous staff leadership (including Chief and Council, traditional leaders, and service providers) within Indigenous communities in BC, on and off reserve, related to criminal justice, family justice and child protection laws, and policies and practices that directly affect women who have experienced violence.

In March 2017, updates began on to the curriculum and presentation materials to integrate the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada’s report on the residential school system and subsequent 94 Calls to Action. Three-day ISCP Knowledge Sharing Workshops took place in a number of Indigenous communities around the province including the Penelakut First Nation on Kuper Island, the Snuneymuxw First Nation in Nanaimo, the Gwa’sala, ‘Nakwaxda’xw and Tsulquate Nations near Port Hardy, as well as several coastal First Nations communities.

### **Enhancing the Response to Campus Sexual Assault Across BC**

This one-year project, funded by a Province of BC Civil Forfeiture grant, addressed the issue of campus sexual assault and the challenges faced by post-secondary institutions in BC in implementing best practices and strengthening their response to sexual assault.

The project served four post-secondary institutions and their communities: Nanaimo (Vancouver Island University – VIU and Haven Society), Kamloops (Thompson Rivers University – TRU and Kamloops Sexual Assault Counselling Centre), Prince George (University of Northern British Columbia – UNBC and Prince George and District Elizabeth Fry Society, Carrier Sekani Family Services, Surpassing Our Survival Society), and Terrace (Northwest Community College – NWCC and Ksan Society).

### **Bystander Training to Enhance the Response to Campus Sexual Assault**

This one-year project, funded by a Province of BC Civil Forfeiture grant, built upon and furthered earlier work to strengthen the BC Institute of Technology's (BCIT) response to sexual assault and increase the safety of the campus community. Through bystander intervention training, this project provided the BCIT campus community (including staff, faculty, and students) with the knowledge, language, and skills to increase their likelihood of speaking up against sexual assault and other types of sexual violence.

### **Enhancing Third Party Reporting Options for Survivors of Sexual Assault**

This one-year project, funded by a Province of BC Civil Forfeiture grant, involved training anti-violence workers and police that are attached to Violence Against Women Coordination Committees, including Violence Against Women in Relationships (VAWIR) committees, and VIR Committees, to ensure that sexual assault responders from multiple sectors that work in collaboration have a shared understanding of best practices in responding to sexual assault and Third Party Reporting (TPR) options.

### **Melissa Chatham Memorial Fund**

On September 21, 2008, 24-year-old Melissa Chatham was tragically taken from her family and friends in an act of violence. At the request of the Chatham family, EVA BC set up a memorial fund in honour of Melissa's life. The donations received are used to support other young women across BC who face violence in their relationships. Learn more at: [endingviolence.org/support-us/donate-now](http://endingviolence.org/support-us/donate-now).

## **Collaboration**

EVA BC consistently seeks to work collaboratively with a range of partners in a variety of ways. Some partnerships are project specific and some are ongoing, and all have a positive impact on the way EVA BC carries out its work and fulfills its mandate. Following are examples of just some of EVA BC's partnerships in the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

### **Canadian Domestic Homicide Prevention Initiative for Vulnerable Populations (CDHPIVP)**

EVA BC is one of more than 40 community service organizations, government departments, and universities who have joined together to better understand and address domestic homicide through the creation of the Canadian Domestic Homicide Prevention Initiative for Vulnerable Population (CDHPIVP).

### **Community Vitality Index (CVI)**

EVA BC is a member of the Advisory Group for this project focussed on measuring and tracking women's wellbeing in resource industry communities, working with the research team at the University of Guelph and Tamitik Status of Women.

### **Ending Violence Association of Canada (EVA CAN)**



The Ending Violence Association of Canada (EVA CAN) was formed in response to the need to foster a national voice. EVA BC spearheaded this national association that grew from the partnerships and discussion brought about through the Western Canada Sexual Assault Initiative. EVA CAN's purpose is to bring together all of the sectors involved in the array of anti-violence issues for national dialogue and action, for collaboration across provinces and territories to develop comprehensive and coordinated responses, for developing and sharing information and best practices, promoting safety of workers in the field, and creating more effective gateways to services.

### **Justice Robin Camp Inquiry**

EVA BC participated in the coalition of women's organizations that was granted intervener status in the Justice Robin Camp inquiry, along with the [Avalon Sexual Assault Centre](#), the [IAAW - Institute for the Advancement of Aboriginal Women](#), [METRAC](#) (Metropolitan Action Committee on Violence Against Women and Children), [West Coast LEAF](#), and [LEAF \(Women's Legal Education and Action Fund\)](#).

### **National Victim Policy Centre's Advisory Committee**

EVA BC's executive director, Tracy Porteous, continues to participate as a member of the National Victim Policy Centre's Advisory Committee.

### **Warriors on Water**

Warriors on Water is a Vancouver-based dragon boat team founded in 2016 by three women who have knowledge of the debilitating effects of domestic violence. The team's mission is to empower survivors of domestic violence to move towards a position of wellness and strength. Their goals are to restore power to those who have lost it through domestic violence and to inform and educate the broader community. We are assisting Warriors on Water by providing web pages for them on the EVA BC website. More information can be found online at <http://endingviolence.org/prevention-programs/warriors-on-water/>

## Program Representation and Assistance to Government

EVA BC regularly provides consultation to and participates in initiatives by the Province of BC and the Government of Canada when they seek expertise from the anti-violence field. Regular input from frontline programs informs the messages EVA BC shares with government. We also work proactively to keep government apprised about emerging issues and trends in the field. Following are some examples of interactions EVA BC had with various levels of government in the 2016-2017 fiscal year:

### BC Budget Committee

In September 2016, EVA BC presented to the Budget Committee of the BC Legislature, focussing on the fact that anti-violence programs have not received a funding increase in 20 years and that sexual assault services, in particular, are in worse financial shape now than they were prior to the 2002 cuts of all sexual assault centres.

### BC Coroners Service

EVA BC's Executive Director, Tracy Porteous, was asked to participate in the Domestic Violence Death Review Panel convened by the BC Coroners Service. The panel took place at the end of October 2016. The report, *BC Coroners Service Death Review Panel: A Review of Intimate Partner Violence Deaths 2010-2015* is available online at <http://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/public-safety-and-emergency-services/death-investigation/death-review-panel/intimate-partner-violence2010-2015.pdf>

### Department of Justice Canada

In March, 2017 Tracy Porteous was invited to attend Justice Canada's Knowledge Exchange on the criminal justice system's responses to sexual assault against adults.

### Ministry of Children and Family Development

EVA BC regularly provided MCFD with consultation and information sharing about communities, violence against women, and emerging issues and trends, as well as serving on advisory committees as requested.

### Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General

EVA BC's Executive Director, Tracy Porteous, was asked to join an Oversight Committee led by the Victim Services and Crime Prevention Division of MPSSG comprised of justice system members in BC. The work of this committee will be related to 3.4 million dollars of federal funding to be spent over five years on creating a trauma-informed justice and public safety sector in BC.

### Provincial Office of Domestic Violence

We continued to provide ongoing consultation to PODV in the fiscal year 2016-2017. EVA BC staff also actively participated in the Planning Committee for

PODV's conference, *Collaborating Across Systems: Preventing and Responding to Domestic Violence Against Women and Children*, held on October 18 and 19, 2016. EVA BC had a strong presence at the PODV conference delivering workshops, participating in a panel discussion, and hosting an information table.

### **Status of Women Canada**

In July 2016, EVA BC staff participated in a consultation at the EVA BC office with Status of Women Canada Minister Patty Hajdu about the federal gender-based violence strategy.

## **Public Awareness**

EVA BC connects with a wide range of groups and participates in a variety of public events and committees to create awareness about violence against women and girls. Following please find a small sampling of some of the activities EVA BC carried out in the 2016-2017 fiscal year:

### **EVA BC In the News**

EVA BC is a “go to” source for media seeking expert comment and analysis on violence against women. We regularly respond to requests for interviews for television, radio and print media. Examples of EVA BC in the news with relevant links can be found on our website at [endingviolence.org/news/](http://endingviolence.org/news/).

### **Integrated Disaster Council of BC**

EVA BC is a committee member on the Integrated Disaster Council of BC (IDCBC).

### **Vancouver Transit Police**

EVA BC was invited by the Vancouver Transit Police to partner on their *Keep Your Hands to Yourself* public awareness campaign. We provided feedback to them during the development of the publicity materials, which have the EVA BC logo on them, and participated in the media conference launching the campaign in November 2016 at Waterfront Station in downtown Vancouver.

## **Training**

Guided by priorities identified by our membership, EVA BC regularly develops and delivers training in the anti-violence sector as funding allows. We also provide educational sessions for other sectors and at the community level as part of our mandate to increase awareness and knowledge about gender-based violence. Many trainings are funded through specific grants or provided on a fee-for-service basis. Here are examples of some of the trainings EVA BC delivered in the 2016-2017 fiscal year:



### **Football Saskatchewan**

EVA BC’s Executive Director Tracy Porteous, former BC Lion JR LaRose, and BC Lions Director of Community Development, Jamie Taras travelled to Saskatoon in May 2016 to deliver *Be More Than a Bystander* training to Football Saskatchewan. This train-the-trainer event helped Saskatchewan’s amateur football association spread the *Be More Than a Bystander* message to its 25,000 members.

### **Sexual Assault Response Worker Training**

*Working with Recent Survivors of Sexual Assault:* Two sessions of this 3-day training for front-line anti-violence workers were delivered, one in May and one in June 2016. Both trainings were held in Richmond, BC.

### **BC Institute of Technology**

EVA BC trained a number of BCIT staff, faculty, and students leaders in June 2016 when it delivered its three-day *Be More Than a Bystander Train-the-Trainer* event. The curriculum educated these campus leaders about the issue of gender-based violence in Canada, the impacts of trauma, the role of socialized masculinity in gender-based violence, the *Be More Than a Bystander* model, media literacy, and the role of media in shaping social norms.

### **Campus Sexual Violence Guidelines**

EVA BC delivered a workshop on Campus Sexual Violence Guidelines at the UBC Student Union Development Summit in August 2016, attended by 30 student leaders.

### **Quest University Canada**

Sexual Assault Disclosure Response training was delivered at Quest University Canada in Squamish, BC in September 2016.



EVA BC trained 20 student leaders in the *Be More Than a Bystander* model at Simon Fraser University in September 2016!

**Simon Fraser University**

- Be More Than a Bystander intervention training was adapted for Simon Fraser University Residence Life, and two 1.5 hour sessions were delivered in September 2016. Approximately 200-250 students attended each training session.
- Two-and-a-half day Be More Than a Bystander spokesperson training was delivered to student leaders at SFU, September 15-17, 2016.
- Approximately 360 student athletes were in attendance for a *Be More Than a Bystander* presentation for the Athletics Department in September 2016.

**University of British Columbia**

A workshop on *Campus Sexual Violence Guidelines* delivered at the Student Union Development Summit on August 12, 2016 at UBC was attended by approximately 30 student leaders.

**Victim Services and Crime Prevention Division, MPSSG**

Sexual Assault Response training (half day sessions) was delivered to half of entire staff of Victim Services Division of the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General on October 25; followed by training delivery to the rest of the group on November 1, 2016.

**Winnipeg Blue Bombers**

EVA BC's Executive Director Tracy Porteous, former BC Lion JR LaRose, and BC Lions Director of Community Development, Jamie Taras delivered the 3-day *Be More Than a Bystander* training to the Winnipeg Blue Bombers in January 2017.

**Yukon Sexual Assault Response Training**

In February 2017, training based on EVA BC's three-day Sexual Assault Response Training and the most recent edition of the *Sexual Assault Support Worker Handbook* was adapted to make it more relevant to the Yukon audience.

# **Appendix A:**

## Member Programs



| Agency Name  | Program Name  | Program Type |
|--|---|--------------|
| 100 Mile House Women's Centre Society  | STV Counselling Program                             | STV          |
| Abbotsford Community Services  | Abbotsford Specialized Victim Assistance Program    | CBVS         |
| Abbotsford Community Services  | Abuse Counselling and Support Services              | STV          |
| Abbotsford Community Services  | Multicultural Specialized Victim Assistance Program | CBVS         |
| Abbotsford Community Services  | Mission Specialized Victim Assistance Program       | CBVS         |
| Alberni Community and Women's Services Society   | Community Based Victim Service Program              | CBVS         |
| Alberni Community and Women's Services Society   | STV Counselling Program                             | STV          |
| Alberni Community and Women's Services Society   | Outreach Program                                    | STV ORS      |
| Arrow and Slokan Lakes Community Services  | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program           | STV          |
| Arrow and Slokan Lakes Community Services  | STV Outreach Program                                | STV ORS      |
| Atira Women's Resource Society   | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program           | STV          |
| BC 211   | VictimLINK  | CBVS         |
| BC Women's Hospital and Health Centre  | Sexual Assault Support Services                     | OSP          |
| Bella Coola Community Support Society  | Bella Coola Victim Assistance Program               | CBVS         |
| Bella Coola Community Support Society  | Women's Counselling Program                         | STV          |
| Bella Coola Community Support Society  | Women's Outreach Program                            | STV ORS      |
| Boundary Women's Coalition   | Women's Outreach Program                            | STV ORS      |
| Boundary Women's Coalition   | Women's STV Program                                 | STV          |
| Burnaby Family Life Institute  | Stopping Violence Against Women Program             | STV          |
| Campbell River Family Services Society   | Community Based Victim Service Program              | CBVS         |
| Campbell River & North Island Transition Society                                       | STV Counselling Program                             | STV          |
| Canadian Mental Health Association for the Kootenays                                   | Community Outreach Services                         | ORS          |
| Castlegar & District Community Services Society  | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program           | STV          |
| Castlegar & District Community Services Society  | STV Women's Outreach Program                        | STV ORS      |
| Central Okanagan Elizabeth Fry Society   | Specialized Victim Assistance Program               | CBVS         |
| Central Okanagan Elizabeth Fry Society   | Women's Outreach Services                           | STV ORS      |
| Child Abuse Prevention & Counselling Society of Greater Victoria (Mary Manning Centre) | Victim Service Program                              | CBVS         |
| Chilliwack Community Services  | Specialized Victim Assistance Program               | CBVS         |
| Chimo Crisis Services  | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program           | STV          |

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|--|--|--------------|
| Chinese Community Policing Centre                              | Specialized Victim Services                              | CBVS         |
| Community Bridge   | Women’s Counselling Program                              | STV          |
| Community Bridge   | Women’s Outreach Program                                 | STV ORS      |
| Community Bridge   | Community Based Victim Services Program                  | CBVS         |
| 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                          | CBVS         |
| 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 Services                              | CBVS         |
| Cythera Transition House Society                               | STV Counselling Program                                  | STV          |
| Cythera Transition House Society                               | Multicultural Services                                   | MCS          |
| Deltassist Family and Community Services Society               | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program                | STV          |
| 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                                | MCS          |
| Dixon Transition Society                                       | STV Counselling Program                                  | STV          |
| Downtown Eastside Women’s Centre                               | Specialized Victim Assistance Program                    | CBVS         |
| Downtown Eastside Women’s Centre                               | Outreach Program   | ORS          |
| Family Dynamix Association                                     | Women’s Counselling Program                              | STV          |
| Family Dynamix Association                                     | STV Outreach Program                                     | STV ORS      |
| Family Resource Centre Society 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                           | Community Based Victim Services                          | CBVS         |
| Family Services of Greater Vancouver                           | Domestic Violence Response Team                          | CBVS         |
| Family Services of Greater Vancouver – VISAC                   | Victim Support Services                                  | CBVS         |
| Family Services of Greater Vancouver                           | Burnaby/New West Community Based Victim Services Program | CBVS         |

| Agency Name  | Program Name   | Program Type |
|--|--|--------------|
| Family Services of Greater Vancouver               | Domestic Violence Response Team – Elder Abuse          | CBVS         |
| Family Services of Greater Vancouver               | Vancouver Domestic Violence Unit (DVU)                 | CBVS         |
| Family Services of Greater Vancouver               | Provincial Protective Measures Unit                    | CBVS         |
| Family Services of the North Shore                 | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program              | STV          |
| Fernie Women's Resource & Drop-In Centre           | STV Counselling Program                                | 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      |
| Fort Nelson Aboriginal Friendship Centre           | STV Counselling Program                                | STV          |
| Golden Family Centre Society                       | Abuse Recovery Program – Stopping the Violence Program | STV          |
| Golden Women's Resource Centre Society             | Golden Outreach Program                                | STV ORS      |
| Haida Gwaii Society for Community Peace            | Victim Assistance Program                              | CBVS         |
| Haida Gwaii Society for Community Peace            | STV Counselling Program                                | STV          |
| Haven Society                                      | STV Counselling Program                                | STV          |
| Haven Society                                      | Community Victim Services                              | CBVS         |
| Haven Society                                      | Haven Outreach Services                                | STV ORS      |
| Haven Society                                      | Haven Society Community Victim Services, Parksville    | CBVS         |
| Hollyburn Family Services Society                  | Specialized Victim Support Services                    | CBVS         |
| Hope & Area Transition Society                     | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program              | STV          |
| Howe Sound Women's Centre Society                  | Multicultural Outreach Program                         | MCS          |
| Ishtar Transition Housing Society                  | Stopping the Violence Against Women Program, Langley   | STV          |
| Ishtar Transition Housing Society                  | Ishtar Community Based Victim Services                 | CBVS         |
| Island Women Against Violence                      | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program              | STV          |
| Island Women Against Violence                      | Women's Outreach Services                              | STV ORS      |
| Islands Wellness Society                           | Haida Gwaii Women's Counselling Program                | STV          |
| Islands Wellness Society                           | Community Outreach Services                            | STV ORS      |
| Islands Wellness Society                           | Haida Gwaii Victim Assistance Program                  | CBVS         |
| Kamloops Community YMCA – YWCA Shelter Services    | Y Women's Emergency Shelter Outreach Services          | STV ORS      |
| Kamloops Sexual Assault Counselling Centre Society | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program, Kamloops    | STV          |
| Kamloops Sexual Assault Counselling Centre Society | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program, Chase       | STV          |

| Agency Name  | Program Name   | Program Type |
|--|--|--------------|
| Kamloops Sexual Assault Counselling Centre Society | Community Based Victim Service Program                 | CBVS         |
| Kelowna Family Centre                              | STV Counselling Program                                | STV          |
| Kiwassa Neighbourhood House                        | Domestic Violence Prevention Program                   | OSP          |
| Kootenai Community Centre Society                  | Creston Outreach Program                               | STV ORS      |
| Ksan House Society                                 | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program              | STV          |
| Ksan House Society                                 | Stopping the Violence Outreach Program                 | STV ORS      |
| Ksan House Society                                 | Specialized Victim Assistance Program                  | CBVS         |
| 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      |
| Lillooet Friendship Centre Society                 | CHOICES - STV Counselling Program                      | STV          |
| Lillooet Friendship Centre Society                 | Lillooet Community Victim Assistance Program           | CBVS         |
| Lower Similkameen Community Services Society       | LSCSS Stopping the Violence Program                    | STV          |
| Mackenzie Counselling Services Society             | Connections  | STV          |
| Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Community Services        | Community Based Victim Services Program                | CBVS         |
| MOSAIC   | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program              | STV          |
| MOSAIC   | Multicultural Outreach Program                         | MCS          |
| MOSAIC   | Multicultural Victim Services Program                  | CBVS         |
| Namgis Community Services                          | Victim Assistance Program                              | CBVS         |
| 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 Community Services Society             | Community Based Victim Services                        | CBVS         |
| 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 Program                | CBVS         |
| North Shore Crisis Services Society                | Multicultural Outreach Services                        | MCS          |

| Agency Name                                    | Program Name  | Program Type |
|--|---|--------------|
| North Shore Crisis Services Society            | Outreach Services Program                             | STV ORS      |
| 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, Hazelton               | CBVS         |
| Northern Society for Domestic Peace            | Specialized Victim Assistance, Smithers               | CBVS         |
| 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      |
| OPTIONS Community Services                     | Threshold Multicultural Outreach                      | OSP          |
| Pacific Centre Family Services Association     | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program             | STV          |
| Phoenix Transition Society                     | Specialized Outreach Program                          | OSP          |
| Powell River Community Services Association    | Specialized Victim Support Services                   | CBVS         |
| 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 | Women's Counselling Program                           | 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                 | CBVS         |
| Prince George & District Elizabeth Fry Society | Quesnel Family & Sexual Victim Support Services       | CBVS         |
| Prince George & District Elizabeth Fry Society | Outreach Program, Burns Lake                          | STV ORS      |
| Prince George & District Elizabeth Fry Society | Women's Services Outreach                             | STV ORS      |
| Prince George Native Friendship Centre         | Aboriginal Victim Services                            | CBVS         |
| Princeton Family Services Society              | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program             | STV          |
| Quesnel Women's Resource Centre                | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program             | STV          |
| Quesnel Women's Resource Centre                | Women's Outreach Program                              | STV ORS      |
| Robson Valley Support Society                  | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program             | STV          |
| Robson Valley Support Society                  | Stopping the Violence Outreach Program                | STV ORS      |
| Salmo Community Resources Society              | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program             | STV          |
| Saulteau First Nations                         | Outreach Program                                      | ORS          |
| SARA For Women                                 | STV Program, Abbotsford                               | STV          |

| Agency Name   | Program Name  | Program Type |
|---|---|--------------|
| SARA For Women  | STV Program, Mission  | STV          |
| SARA For Women  | Multicultural Outreach, Abbotsford                                | MCS          |
| SARA For Women  | Multicultural Outreach, Mission                                   | MCS          |
| SARA For Women  | STV Outreach Program, Mission                                     | STV ORS      |
| Sea To Sky Community Services   | STV Counselling Program, Squamish                                 | STV          |
| Sea To Sky Community Services   | STV Counselling Program, Whistler / Pemberton                     | STV          |
| Sea To Sky Community Services   | STV Outreach Program  | STV ORS      |
| Seniors First BC  | Victim Services Program   | CBVS         |
| Shuswap Area Family Emergency (SAFE) Society  | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program                         | STV          |
| Shuswap Area Family Emergency (SAFE) Society  | Community Based Victim Services                                   | CBVS         |
| 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      |
| Sources – Women’s Place   | STV Counselling Program, Surrey/ Newton                           | STV          |
| Sources – Women’s Place   | 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  | Community Based Victim Assistance Program                         | CBVS         |
| South Peace Community Resources Society   | STV Counselling Program   | STV          |
| South Peace Community Resources Society   | Specialized Victim Services                                       | CBVS         |
| South Peace Community Resources Society   | Dawson Creek Outreach   | STV ORS      |
| South Peace Community Resources Society   | Tumbler Ridge Outreach  | STV ORS      |
| South Peace Community Resources Society   | Stopping the Violence, Women’s Counselling Program, Tumbler Ridge | STV          |
| South Peace Community Resources Society   | Stopping the Violence, Women’s Counselling Program, Chetwynd      | STV          |
| Summit Community Services Society   | Stopping the Violence, Women’s Counselling Program, Cranbrook     | STV          |
| Summit Community Services Society   | Women’s Support Services, Kimberley                               | STV          |
| Summit Community Services Society   | Stopping the Violence Outreach Services                           | STV ORS      |



| Agency Name  | Program Name                                   | Program Type |
|--|--|--------------|
| Summit Community Services Society  | Community Based Victim Services                | CBVS         |
| Sunshine Coast Community Services Society                                | Women's Counselling Services                   | STV          |
| Sunshine Coast Community Services Society                                | Sunshine Coast Community Based Victim Services | CBVS         |
| Sunshine Coast Community Services Society                                | Women's Outreach Services                      | STV ORS      |
| Surpassing Our Survival (S.O.S.) Society                                 | STV Counselling Program                        | STV          |
| Surrey Women's Centre Society  | Women's Counselling Program                    | STV          |
| Surrey Women's Centre Society  | Surrey Community Victim Services               | CBVS         |
| Tamitik Status of Women Association                                      | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program      | STV          |
| Tamitik Status of Women Association                                      | Outreach Program                               | STV ORS      |
| The Advocacy Centre / Nelson CARES Society                               | Specialized Victim Services                    | CBVS         |
| The Alma Mater Society, UBC  | Sexual Assault Support Centre                  | OSP          |
| Trail Family & Individual Resource Centre Society                        | Specialized Victim Services                    | CBVS         |
| Trail Family & Individual Resource Centre Society                        | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program      | STV          |
| Tri-City Transitions Society   | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program      | STV          |
| Tri-City Transitions Society   | Community Based Victim Assistance Program      | CBVS         |
| Tri-City Transitions Society   | Outreach Program                               | STV ORS      |
| Valley Community Services Society  | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program      | STV          |
| Vancouver Island Men's Trauma Counselling Society – Men's Trauma Centre  | Men's Trauma Program: Victims Assistance       | CBVS         |
| Vancouver & Lower Mainland Multicultural Family Support Services Society | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program      | STV          |
| Vancouver & Lower Mainland Multicultural Family Support Services Society | Multicultural Services                         | MCS          |
| Vancouver & Lower Mainland Multicultural Family Support Services Society | Victim Services Program                        | CBVS         |
| Vancouver Native Health Society  | Family Violence Intervention Program           | OSP          |
| Vernon Women's Transition House Society                                  | Stopping the Violence Counselling Program      | STV          |
| Vernon Women's Transition House Society                                  | Specialized Victim Assistance Program          | CBVS         |
| Vernon Women's Transition House Society                                  | Outreach Services                              | STV ORS      |
| Vernon Women's Transition House Society                                  | STV Counselling Program – Enderby / Armstrong  |              |
| Victoria Sexual Assault Centre   | STV Counselling Program                        | STV          |
| Victoria Sexual Assault Centre   | Sexual Violence Victim Services                | CBVS         |

| Agency Name                               | Program Name                           | Program Type |
|---|--|--------------|
| Victoria Women’s Transition House Society | Spousal Assault Victim Support Program | CBVS         |
| 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      |
| Yellowhead Community Services Society     | STV Counselling Program                | STV          |

**Abbreviations**

- CBVS = Community-Based Victim Services Program
- STV = Stopping the Violence Counselling Program
- STV ORS = Stopping the Violence Outreach Program
- MCS = Multicultural Services
- OSP = Other Similar Program