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HELPING MAKE ILLINOIS FAMILIES SAFER –

The Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence hosted it's first annual charitable fundraising event at the Governor's Executive Mansion on Friday, June 13, 2014. The event featured the "Frank Parker Jambalaya New Orleans Jazz Band"

The Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence is dedicated to the elimination of violence against women and their children through the following vision: To promote the eradication of domestic violence across the state of Illinois; To ensure the safety of survivors, their access to services, and their freedom of choice; To hold abusers accountable for the violence they perpetrate; and To encourage the development of victim-sensitive laws, policies and procedures across all systems that impact survivors of domestic violence. *continued on pages 2 and 3*

Jazz at the Mansion—Fundraiser Event contd.



Ellen Shanzle-Haskins--ICADV Board Member, Justin Cajindos, Brook Croke holding Jonas Croke, Ryan Croke



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Sangamon County Bar Association
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Sponsors of the event include the Motorola Mobility Foundation, Deer Rehabilitation Services, Inc., Sangamon County Bar Association, Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council, Central Illinois Women’s Bar Association, R. W. Troxell & Company, and the Government Bar Association, with additional support provided by Levi, Ray & Shoup, Inc.



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- Michael McMahon, ICADV Board Member**
- Max Bumgardner**
- Christine Bumgardner**
- Hollie Jones**
- Jim Toledo**
- Becky Crismore**
- Erich Crismore**
- Tim Solberg**

Around the table clockwise:

- Karen Tharp**
- Emily Mosher**
- Dan Mosher**
- John Morse**
- Gail Noll**
- John Milhiser**
- Brian Shaw**
- Theresa Eagleson**



Thank you so very much to everyone for your attendance at the Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence's Jazz at the Mansion Fundraiser. Your ticket purchases helped make our fundraiser a huge success and brought us closer to our fundraising goal for the year. We hope to see you at future fundraising events!



Left to right:

- Deedee Hall**
- Judge Bob Hall**
- Dr. P. J. Nanvati**
- Grace Nanvati**
- Buzz Nanvati**



ALLSTATE FOUNDATION

NEARLY \$2.5 MILLION RAISED

CONGRATS TO YWCA EVANSTON/NORTH SHORE FOR WINNING THE ALLSTATE FOUNDATION PURPLE PURSE CHALLENGE AND THE \$100,000 GRAND PRIZE

Over \$600,000 was raised in Illinois by ICADV and these domestic violence programs. Congratulations to YWCA Evanston/North Shore for raising the most money in the entire national challenge and receiving the grand prize of \$100,000 from the Allstate Foundation. Here is a list of several other domestic violence programs as well as our agency that participated in the Purple Purse challenge, each raising hundreds to thousands of dollars.

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MidCentralCommunityActionInc

PurplePurse

YWCA-EvanstonNorthShore

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Wings

CAWC TurningPoint
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From the Desk of Noelle Dupuis, Director of Policy, ICADV

Advocacy Days

Back in June, Vickie Smith, CEO and I attended the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV) National Advocacy Days. After being educated on the NNEDV's legislative agenda, we spent the day speaking with representatives and senators about the importance of supporting victims back home. Some items on the agenda included comprehensive immigration reform, increasing funding under the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) and Victim of Crime Act (VOCA), instituting universal background checks for purchasing firearms, and economic equality initiatives. We were honored to represent our member programs in Washington D. C.

Crime Victim Bill of Rights

Since the constitutional amendment passed through the General Assembly with near unanimity, ICADV has been working closely with Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault (ICASA) and Marsy's Law Foundation for Illinois to mount a public relations campaign to get the word out to voters before the November 4th election. We have had numerous press conferences in major media markets throughout the state. This past week, we presented with Attorney General Lisa Madigan. We've highlighted the importance of this amendment in light of the Ray Rice scandal and discussed the amendment as providing more options and information for victims in the criminal justice system.

Throughout Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM), we have asked our programs to discuss the amendment in their communities. Voters need to know that victims already have these rights in the Illinois constitution, but that Illinois is the only state that has not given victims an enforcement mechanism for these rights. The amendment will allow victims to stand up in court to assert their rights and ensure that they have the ability to appeal a judge's decision if their rights are violated. The amendment will appear at the top of the ballot, and voters should VOTE YES to support domestic violence victims throughout the state.



QUANADA, Quincy staff rallies with Noelle for the Crime Victims' Bill of Rights.

Virtual Legal Clinic Expansion

ICADV is pleased to announce the rapid expansion of its Virtual Legal Clinic (VLC). With the help of a substantial grant from Verizon, we are able to commission the creation of a customized online platform that will dramatically streamline attorney recruitment, scheduling of VLC consultations, and data collection to improve future services. We hope to have the platform launched in early January. Stay tuned to learn more about training sessions that will be coming to your area.

We have also expanded to many more ICADV members. As of October, the VLC now reaches survivors in over 70 counties in Illinois. By the end of the year, we should be available to survivors in most rural areas of the state.

As we add more member programs to the VLC, we have doubled our efforts to recruit new volunteer attorneys. I presented with the Lt. Governor Sheila Simon and her staff at a Kane County Bar Association seminar in early October. The project was well-received, and we are currently in discussions with attorneys who are interested in joining us on this project. We continue to work closely with other pro bono networks and online legal aid organizations to improve the functionality of the VLC.

SPOT LIGHT ON CINDY MEYERS

CONGRATULATIONS!

Cindy Myers was recently selected for the Allstate Foundation Volunteer of the Year Award. She was selected for her decades long partnership with the Countering Domestic Violence (CDV) program in Bloomington.

Cindy has assisted with CDV's Allstate Financial Empowerment and Career Club Program and has shared her expertise in workshops by co-facilitating sessions and helping with pre-mock interviews with participants. With Cindy's help, their Career Club program has impacted CDV's work, by giving survivors more tools and resources to use when seeking employment and moving towards self-sufficiency. As Volunteer of the Year, Cindy selected Mid Central Community Action (MCCA) to receive \$10,000 from the Allstate Foundation to benefit their Countering Domestic Violence program. We congratulate Cindy on her award and for her continued support of their program.

left to right:
Cindy Meyers,
Allstate Insurance,
Senna Adajabeng,
MCCA/CDV,
Special Morgan,
MCCA/CDV



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOMICIDE REPORT JULY 2013-JUNE 2014

In fiscal year 2014, July 2013 through June 2014, 63 domestic violence (dv) homicide incidents took the lives of 84 individuals in Illinois. This report summarizes what the Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence (ICADV) learned about these incidents when a domestic violence situation became fatal.

Child Homicide Victims

In fiscal year 2014 there were 15 victims under the age of 18. The age of the child victims ranged from two months to 17 years old, five were under the age of six. Means of death and ages for the child victims:

- (6) Firearms—(2)5, (2)15, and (2)17 years old.
- (5) Stabbing—3, 7, 8, 11, and 17 years old.
- (2) Physical assault without a weapon—4 month and 2 month old,
- (2) Strangulation—8 and 17 years old.

Adult Homicide Victims

In fiscal year 2014 there were 59 adult victims, 35 were female and 24 were male. The victims ranged in age from 19 to 82 years old. Firearms accounted for 26 of the 59 adult victim homicides. The second highest means of death was caused by stabbing which accounted for 20 of the adult homicides. The chart titled "Means of Death-Homicides" in the full report provides a full list of all homicides.

Perpetrator Suicides

In fiscal year 2014 there were 10 perpetrators (all males) who committed suicide after committing homicide(s). These deaths are included in the grand total for fiscal year 2014 as they are domestic violence related. Firearms accounted for eight of the 10 suicides. The chart titled "Means of Death-Suicides" in the full report provides a full list of all suicides.

The full report can be viewed through this link: <http://www.ilcadv.org/HomicideReportFY14.pdf>

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ICADV has partnered again this year with Verizon and

Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence & Lt. Governor Sheila Simon

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Lt. Governor Sheila Simon to host the third annual NO MORE Teen Dating Abuse Video Challenge. With Verizon's generous support of \$15,000 and the continued partnership with the Lt. Governor's Office, ICADV has invited Illinois high school age teens to submit a short PSA type video calling for the end of teen dating violence and promoting healthy relationships. Videos will target teens, promote positive behaviors in relationships and have elements of creativity and fun.



This is the third year ICADV has hosted this challenge. Last year we had over 40 member domestic violence agencies that participated -- from north of Chicago to Cairo, from the Quad Cities to Kankakee, and everywhere in between. We estimate that over 440 high schools and teen organizations throughout the state received the materials. We received a total of 41 entries created by over 210 very creative adolescents. Selecting winners was difficult as the competition was fierce. We had so many great entries. You may view last year's winners at <http://www.ilcadv.org/VideoChallengeWinners.html>.

Third Annual

NO MORE

Teen Dating Abuse Video Challenge

campaign against domestic and sexual violence against women visit www.nomore.org

Submissions to this year's challenge were due October 31, 2014 and we plan to announce the winners in February, which is Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month. Thank you to Verizon and Lt. Governor Sheila Simon for helping us engage teens in saying NO MORE to teen dating violence!

To learn more about the NO MORE

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Executive Director's Note:

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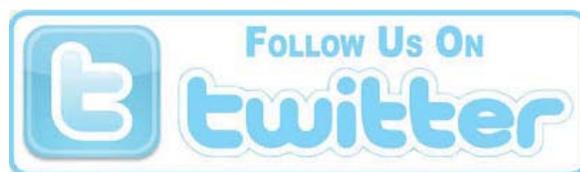
We have just completed another Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Unfortunately, we had a little help from the multiple high profile domestic violence incidents committed by several professional football players over the past several months. This has really put the National Football League as an organization in a challenging position as they made several missteps in trying to address this criminal behavior by so many of their players.



However, I am cautiously optimistic that we as a nation have turned a corner in how we are willing to deal with domestic violence as the public issue it is. Although we still saw many victim blaming comments in the media and on various social media outlets, we saw much more positive, thoughtful discussion than I have witnessed and participated in during the 32 years I have been involved in the work to eradicate domestic violence.

Many more men and women, including many survivors are willing to step up and say "this happened to me" and "what can I do to help". What a difference those stories are making in our discourse about "why" it occurs. We are finally beginning to focus on the source of the problem: people who choose to try to control their partners and family members by whatever means necessary.

This edition of our newsletter highlights some of the efforts we have been engaged in to raise money to support our projects that in turn support our membership in responding to victims of domestic violence and their children. These efforts are reflective of the increasing numbers of people in every community that want to help end this horrible epidemic. You can do so as well. Call your local domestic violence agency, listed on our website www.ilcadv.org and ask what they need. We can all look toward a day when domestic violence is truly a rare occurrence and help is immediate. Thank you for all you already do.



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For \$25 a year, you can support our mission to end domestic violence in Illinois. Friends of ICADV receive public policy alerts as well as information about any upcoming ICADV trainings and events.

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