We also want to thank DE Attorney General Kathy Jennings for working with us to obtain a donation of 100 cell phones with prepaid calls, texts, and data. These phones were made available to Delaware domestic violence survivors as the result of a public-private-nonprofit collaboration between the Delaware Department of Justice, the Delaware Coalition Against Domestic Violence, and industry donors. We can do so much more when we work together!

If staying home during COVID-19 isn't safe for you due to child abuse or domestic violence, help is available 24/7.

DCADV
Covid-19 Resource Page
During the past few months we have often heard the term “new normal” to describe how we are engaging with each other now and, very likely in the future. This new normal arises from the public health crisis and the need to be safe, beginning with ourselves, by washing hands, wearing protective face masks, maintaining social distancing. These new societal behaviors reduce the risks of spreading the virus and foster protections for keeping us free from harm. Our efforts are anchored in our desire to keep ourselves and others safe.

During this pandemic, victims of domestic violence experience heightened risks because of the dangers of sheltering in place with an abuser. The need for services and supports are especially critical and the DV services community responded: DV resources, shelter, and victim services remain open. First responders and advocates continue to provide help and support, no matter the challenge and concerns raised by this pandemic. We are so grateful for their courage and commitment.

Like a pandemic, domestic violence is also a public health crisis, affecting families at a staggering rate. The domestic violence public health crisis has devastated individuals and scarred our community for a long time, so long that many consider it just a normal violence. But, violence is not normal.

As with the pandemic, the crisis of intimate partner violence calls us to create a new normal. We are called to engage in societal behaviors that can reduce the risk factors of intimate partner violence and foster protective factors for keeping us safe. We can challenge gender-bias and engage in efforts that support equality and equity such as equal pay. We can support efforts that build and strengthen community connectedness and cohesion.

The strategies for preventing domestic violence and creating a new normal may sound complex – a little harder than washing our hands – but with commitment, they become just as easy. All that is needed is a commitment to change fueled by our desire to keep ourselves and others safe. We take it step by step, ever mindful of those at risk, and we never give up, and eventually, preventing domestic violence is no longer a new normal, it’s just normal.
PURPLE RIBBON EVENT

Nominations

Nominate an individual or business for their commitment to victims and survivors of domestic violence.

It is the time of year when DCADV recognizes advocates, community members, and local businesses that have shown extraordinary commitment to assisting and supporting victims and survivors of domestic violence through three awards presented in October as a part of DCADV’s Purple Ribbon Celebration.

Nominations are due by June 22, 2020. For more information and to submit a nomination click below!

Spirit of Advocacy
Past Honorees:
- Janine Howard O’Rangers - 2018
- Erica Davis - 2017
- Carmen Méndez - 2016
- Mone’t Jackson - 2015
- Juan Rodriguez - 2013
- Stephanie Hamilton - 2012
- Mona Bayard - 2011
- Geri Lewis-Loper - 2010
- Maria Picazo - 2009

Vision of Peace
Past Honorees:
- Pat Kwetkauksie - 2018
- Representative Deborah Hudson - 2017
- Senator Karen Peterson - 2016
- Dr. Vicky Kelly - 2015
- Paulette Sullivan Moore - 2013
- U.S. Senator Chris Coons - 2012
- Jessica Schiffman, Associate Director of Women’s Studies, UD - 2011
- Governor Jack Markell - 2010
- State Senator Liane Sorenson - 2009
- William Allan - President, Verizon Delaware - 2008
- State Senator Patricia Blevins - 2007
- Christine Baron - Tri State Region President, Verizon Wireless - 2004
- Senator Joseph Biden - 2000

Corporate Citizenship
Past Honorees:
- Allstate Insurance Company - 2018
- Del-One Federal Credit Union - 2015
- BlackRock Investment Management Company - 2013
- Verizon Telecommunications Company - 2012
Advocacy & Policy Update

Making the Shift: Training in the Digital Age

The last few months have tested our resiliency, practices, and creativity as we navigate new challenges in our work. DCADV remains committed to the development of Delaware's workforce, and continues to provide training to meet the needs of our community. Whether through Zoom, GoTo Webinar, or one of the many other virtual learning platforms available, we will forge ahead to ensure relevant and engaging training opportunities are available.

Click below to learn more about our webinars and online training opportunities!

Advocacy & Policy Update

Our Federal and State partners continue to advocate for necessary funding and support of programs. Thankfully, despite cuts, program are receiving much needed resources. To stay up to date, sign up to receive DCADV legislative alerts.
JOIN US AS A MEMBER

Financial support from people like you helps us continue our good work!

We can’t do our work without YOU! Now more than ever we need individuals to help support the mission and philosophy of the Delaware Coalition Against Domestic Violence and who want to help create a less violent world by becoming a supporting member through a tax deductible contribution. Visit www.dcadv.org to join us now!

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- Membership within a statewide coalition working to end domestic violence
- Early notification and registration for DCADV events
- Discounted price for DCADV events, trainings, and conferences
- Invitation to our Annual Meeting which is held in December of each year and name recognition in annual report

Membership fee is 100% tax deductible and 100% of the fee directly supports the work of DCADV

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