What is INVEST DE?

Integrating Non-Violent Economic Strategies Throughout Delaware (INVEST DE) is a workgroup designed to mobilize partnerships among Delawareans who share a common mission to create an economically-just community across our state. This collaborative space of stakeholders exchanges expertise and ideas to help increase the number of data-informed, economically-just policies adopted by workplaces across Delaware.

Initiated by the Delaware Coalition Against Domestic Violence (DCADV), the intent of this strategy is to decrease social factors (financial insecurity and poverty) that contribute to the likelihood that intimate partner and sexual violence will occur. INVEST DE recognizes that moving toward an economically-just Delaware requires a systems-level approach to address these issues. As such, INVEST DE examines systems-level practices to promote an economic justice lens across systems.

INVEST DE Goals:

- Increase the availability of data-informed economic justice resources for workplaces.
- Increase workplaces’ understanding of economic justice policies and their link to the prevention of intimate partner and sexual violence.
- Increase the number of organizations and workplaces in Delaware adopting new policies or updating existing policies that positively impact economic justice.

INVEST DE Partners:

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DCADV follows a public health approach to violence prevention. Research indicates a strong link between economic instability, poverty, and manifestations of gender-based violence. As such, the anti-violence community has been working to expand partnerships with those who have historically worked on issues related to economic justice in order to maximize the impact toward our common goal of economic equity and safety for all.

**How is this connected to violence prevention?**

**SOURCES:**

https://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/intimatepartnerviolence/riskprotectivefactors.html

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