



Supporting economic justice in Delaware, where all Delawareans can thrive.

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:











Activities

- Ongoing engagement of stakeholders
- Identify prioritized workplace policies to support / promote as a group
- Develop and disseminate informational materials from repository of best economic justice (EJ) best practices
- Trainings for workplaces on policies that support EJ best practices

Short-term outcomes

- Increase engagement of key partners / sectors involved in INVEST DE
- Increase understanding of economic justice policies
- Increase in access to and availability of economic justice best practices and data-informed educational resources

Intermediate outcomes

- Increased capacity of workplaces to access and use data to implement and support policy efforts
- Increased number of organizations and workplaces in DE adopting new policies or updated existing policies to promote economic justice efforts

Long-term outcomes

- Reduced household financial insecurity / decreased poverty among women in DE
- Improved economic status of women in DE
- Decreased gender inequities in income and economic opportunities in DE



DECREASED SEXUAL AND INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE

How is this connected to violence prevention?

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.

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