



## Summer 2017 Newsletter

# SWIWC CONNECTIONS

**A season of traditions and culture** - as indigenous peoples, we find strength and balance from Mother Earth and Father Sky.

We take in the beauty of what surrounds us - plants, animals, mountains, and water and we are thankful.



### A time for healing:

We remember Ashlynne Mike and her family during this time. We admire the resiliency and strength of the Mike family to continue to bring their message of love and caring for all children and families. We also pray for all those affected by violence especially during these turbulent times.

The [Southwest Indigenous Women's Coalition \(SWIWC\)](#) works to end violence against women and children by strengthening the leadership, community response, justice, and safety of indigenous women and all our relations.



## Get to know

### Highlight Program

#### San Carlos Domestic Violence Program

San Carlos Apache Indian

Reservation

San Carlos, Arizona

**Nit danzhoo hi doo bii daaitnih da- Don't hurt the one's you love"**

The San Carlos Domestic Violence Program is located in San Carlos, AZ on the San Carlos Apache Reservation in southeastern Arizona and is home to 16,250 tribal members. The office is staffed daily by the Domestic Violence Advocate and the Domestic Violence Prosecutor. The San Carlos Domestic Violence Program began in 2005, with funds from the Office on Violence Against Women and Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice.

The San Carlos Domestic Violence Program's purpose is to provide services for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking. Additionally, the program provides comprehensive service coordination addressing these crimes and the needs of victims. The San Carlos DV Program strives to provide outreach and education to law enforcement, the judicial system, area service providers and the community on information relating to domestic violence, sexual abuse and stalking.

To ensure services are available to victims, the program provides 24-hour on call advocacy assistance in responding to law enforcement, emergency room, and other referrals. The DV program provides the following services: victim transportation to safe houses; transportation to court; crisis intervention; shelter placement assistance; advocacy; assistance with filing a protection order or restraining order; court and hospital accompaniment; emergency financial assistance; transitional housing; safety planning; notification of perpetrator activity such as conviction, imprisonment, sentencing, and release; and, acts as a liaison between law enforcement, prosecutor, court and community based agencies.

Stephen Casey, Domestic Violence Prosecutor, is a tribal member of the San Carlos Apache Tribe. He specializes in prosecution of DV related cases and handles exclusively the criminal cases involving violent crimes against women and children.

On average there are 350 law enforcement responses to domestic violence calls per year, which has lead to a total of 270 arrests. There was an average of one sexual assault reported every month and it is unknown how many more



## Advocacy in Action:

Meet Lori Talgo-Goode -

I am a tribal member of the San Carlos Apache Tribe and Cheyenne Arapaho of Oklahoma. I am a loving mother to a daughter and son and also a godmother to four God-daughters and one God-son. I am happily married to a Law Enforcement Officer who works for the San Carlos Apache Tribe. I began my employment with the Domestic Violence Program in January of 2010. I am fortunate to say that with guidance, I am a passionate advocate to this day. I have been advocating for victims of crime for more than seven years. I am very passionate in my job and love what I do to help my community, especially those who need my help with the services our domestic violence program provides.

I had the privilege and honor of collaborating with the late Eleanor Roehriq. Ms. Roehriq was the former Lead Victim Advocate for the San Carlos Domestic Violence Program from 2005 to 2010. As a member of the San Carlos Apache Tribe, she was a victim of domestic violence. She worked effortlessly on the reservation for fifteen years to fight and advocate for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking. In 1991, Eleanor participated and assisted in the original Domestic Violence Code, which was established as Chapter 12 in the Tribal Law and Order code. In 1999, the Tribe passed a revised Domestic Violence provision, as Section 5.8 of the Law and Order Code, which provides basic guidelines, concerns the protection of the victims, and adequate punishment to convicted defendants to serve as a tool to discourage further abuse. In 1993, Eleanor was also the founding member of the San Carlos Domestic Violence Task Force. She served as the first President on the Board of the Southwest Indigenous Women's Coalition, a major contributor of technical support to this program. In 2005, Eleanor assisted the grant writer of San Carlos Apache Tribe in applying



were unreported. Over the years, there have been several homicides that were related to domestic violence.

Over a twelve-month period, there were over 424 law enforcement responses to domestic violence calls and a similar number of arrests. This is a 20% increase over the same period three years ago.

It is currently believed that many of these cases on the reservation still go unreported due to lack of appropriate collaboration with the law enforcement, fear of the legal system, and lack of control over offenders.

Domestic violence advocacy has been provided to 336 victims over the past four years.

for federal funding from the Office on Violence against Women. The San Carlos Apache Tribe received the federal funding in the amount of approximately \$900,000 to fund the San Carlos Domestic Violence Advocacy & Legal Assistance Program. Eleanor ensured that the program titled "Breaking the Legacy: Domestic Violence is not Apache Love", was expanding their outreach and instructional program that she enforced and was a main focus to better serve the community.

#### **To Contact Lori**

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**Upcoming events** - collaborative training with the SWIWC staff for the San Carlos Apache Region.

Thank You Tania Harvey, Program Specialist, for this tremendous opportunity. It is an honor to be included in the newsletter for the Southwest Indigenous Women's Coalition.

Ah'iyi'e – Thank You.

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## **Once again.... Welcome Kurt to SWIWC**



Kurt Begaye, Diné from Chinle, Az

As a Program Specialist, Kurt will work to increase the understanding and capacity of tribal service providers to address and respond to the LGBTQ victim/survivors of

domestic and sexual violence.

#### **Get to know Kurt:**

Kurt, Hashk'âahadzohi (Yucca Fruit Strung Out on a Line Clan), born for Tó'aheedliinii (Water Flow Together Clan), is Diné currently residing in St. Michaels, Arizona.

He has been fortunate to meet the entire cast, director, and cinematographer for such films as Joy Luck Club, Better Luck Tomorrow, Clash, The Red Door, and many others.

When not working, Kurt enjoys traveling, photography, eating a variety of cuisine, and working on his backyard garden.

#### **Background Work:**

Kurt comes to SWIWC with over 18 years experience working in various capacities of HIV prevention, care and capacity building services. His work began at a small community based organization in Chinle, then moved to the San Francisco Bay Area with two national capacity building organizations: the National Native American AIDS Prevention Center and then with the Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum.

Kurt has served as a consultant for SWIWC providing capacity building assistance and education on being more responsive and inclusive of LGBT victims of violence.

Kurt has been an avid volleyball player & coach, dragonboat paddler & coach, and film festival enthusiast. While living in San Francisco, Kurt volunteered with a variety of film festivals, namely the San Francisco International Asian American Film Festival (now called CAAMFest).

Additionally, Kurt helped create SWIWC's LGBT Advisory Council to educate and support Native communities in better serving the LGBT community.

**To Contact Kurt**

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PH: 928-863-8372



## LGBTQ Advisory Council

### Get to know our LGBTQ Advisory Council:



**Lenny Hayes, MA**, is an enrolled member of the Sisseton Wahpeton-Oyate of the northeast corner of South Dakota.

In 2010 Lenny graduated from the Adler Graduate School, Richfield, MN completing a Master's degree in Adlerian Psychology with an emphasis in Marriage Family Therapy, Clinical Counseling, and Management Consulting and Organizational Leadership. Lenny returned to Adler Graduate School in 2013 and received a certificate in their Co-Occurring Disorders Program in which lead to a Master Level Licensed Alcohol Drug Counselor.

Lenny is owner and operator of Tate Topa Consulting, LLC and is currently in private practice specializing in mental/chemical health issues that impact the Two-Spirit/Native LGBTQ individual and community. His lived experience and training have made him a sought after workshop presenter on Native American

discrimination of Two-Spirit/Native LGBTQ people in the Minneapolis /St. Paul area. Lenny is a Board member to the First Nations Repatriation Institute. Lenny is also an Advisory Committee Member with the Capacity Building Center for Tribes, Two-Spirit/Native LGBTQ Advisory Committee Member for the Center for Native American Youth, Washington, D.C., LGBTQ Advisory Co-Chair Council Member for the Southwest Indigenous Women's Coalition, and a Council Member for the MN HIV/AIDS Prevention and Care Council.

Lenny currently resides in Mounds View, MN with his partner Brian and his two four-legged children, Jackson and Molly.

To contact Lenny; you can find him in a coffee shop or bookstore. Lenny is an avid lover of coffee shops and bookstores.

Website:

<https://www.tatetopa.com/>

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[tatetopaconsulting@gmail.com](mailto:tatetopaconsulting@gmail.com)



Historical and Intergenerational Trauma and how it impacts the Two-Spirit/Native LGBTQ community as well as the Native American Community.

Lenny is involved with several local LGBTQ organizations and is former Chairman of the Board of the MN Two-Spirit Society. As Chairman of the Board of the MN Two-Spirit Society he helped and assisted Native organizations in developing policies in the protection, safety, and non-



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## LGBTQ Webinars:

Listen to two informative and remarkable webinar recordings.

These webinars will increase your understanding of the Native LGBTQ2S community and to increase the capacity to provide direct victim services to the LGBTQ2S community.

*The Victimization Issues within the Native LGBTQ2S Community* webinar is basic definitions, discussion on what to look for, and ways to assist victims of LGBTQ2S community.

*Historical & Intergenerational Trauma and the Impact on the Two Spirit/LGBTQ Community* webinar discusses historical trauma, the effects, defining two-spirit, community roles, and mending the rainbow.

### [Web Recordings](#)

#### Victimization Issues within the Native LGBTQ2S Community

LENNY HAYES, MA, LADC  
KURT BEGAYE



#### Historical & Intergenerational Trauma and the Impact on the Two-Spirit/LGBTQ Community

LENNY HAYES, MA, LADC  
KURT BEGAYE



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## LGBTQ Assessment

**SWIWC** is assessing provider needs regarding LGBTQ victim services to better develop training and technical assistance opportunities; please complete the assessment

either online or download the form and email to  
[kurt.begaye@swiwc.org](mailto:kurt.begaye@swiwc.org)

### Online form

**Southwest Indigenous Women's Coalition**  
Training & Technical Assistance  
Participant Questionnaire

Please complete this short questionnaire to assist us in better understanding your individual and programmatic needs regarding Sexual and Intimate Partner Violence among the Native Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Two-Spirit (LGBT2S) community.

**What Organization do you represent?**

<input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Program (Specify): _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Indian Health Service
<input type="checkbox"/> Community Based Organization	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Tribal Health Service (Specify): _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Shelter	<input type="checkbox"/> Educational Institution
<input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Law Enforcement	<input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Coalition
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Law Enforcement	<input type="checkbox"/> LGBT Organization
<input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Court	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Member

**What is your current position?**

<input type="checkbox"/> Program Director/Manager	<input type="checkbox"/> Outreach Coordinator/Worker
<input type="checkbox"/> Program Manager	<input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer
<input type="checkbox"/> Supervisor	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Member
<input type="checkbox"/> Advocate	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Counselor	

**What kind of LGBT2S victimization are you seeing in your community? (Check all that apply)**

<input type="checkbox"/> Hate	<input type="checkbox"/> Bullying
<input type="checkbox"/> Intimate Partner Violence	<input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Assault
<input type="checkbox"/> Trafficking	<input type="checkbox"/> Murder
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	

**In regards to Hate crimes, what have been the motivation indicators? (Check all that apply)**

<input type="checkbox"/> Anti-LGBTQ/Homophobia/Biphobia	<input type="checkbox"/> HIV/AIDS-related
<input type="checkbox"/> Anti-Sex worker	<input type="checkbox"/> Racist/anti-ethnic
<input type="checkbox"/> Anti-Transgender/Transphobia	<input type="checkbox"/> Sexist
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	

**Please list all LGBT2S services provided in your area:**

\_\_\_\_\_

☐ I am not aware of any LGBT2S services in my area.

## Events and Happenings

### Navajo Nation Regional Training - June 2017

SWIWC's Navajo Nation regional training was held in beautiful Canyon De Chelly at the historic Thunderbird Lodge. The two day training was attended by 25 professionals from the region and focused on domestic and sexual violence, elder abuse, LGBTQ 101 and beyond, victim advocacy and accountability, and Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners in Chinle.

We were pleased to have Hope McDonald Lonetree, U.S. Dept of Justice - Arizona District, join us as well as Dr. Andrea Francis, who coordinates the SANE program at the Chinle Comprehensive Healthcare Facility Services.

We also thank our faculty, Lorena T. Halwood, Kurt Begaye, and Caroline F. Antone for their outstanding presentations.

**Look for future regional training in coming months.**

For the time we were there, it was heartbreaking to hear that the local domestic violence program, Ama Doo Alchini Bighan, Inc - (ADABI), was vandalized and robbed of many of their belonging; TV's, computers, clothing, and food. These items are solely for victims and their children who seek assistance in times of crisis, for safety, and for healing,



If you would like to assist ADABI in donating items please contact Lorena T. Halwood at 928-674-8413 or through email at [ltellerh4@hotmail.com](mailto:ltellerh4@hotmail.com)

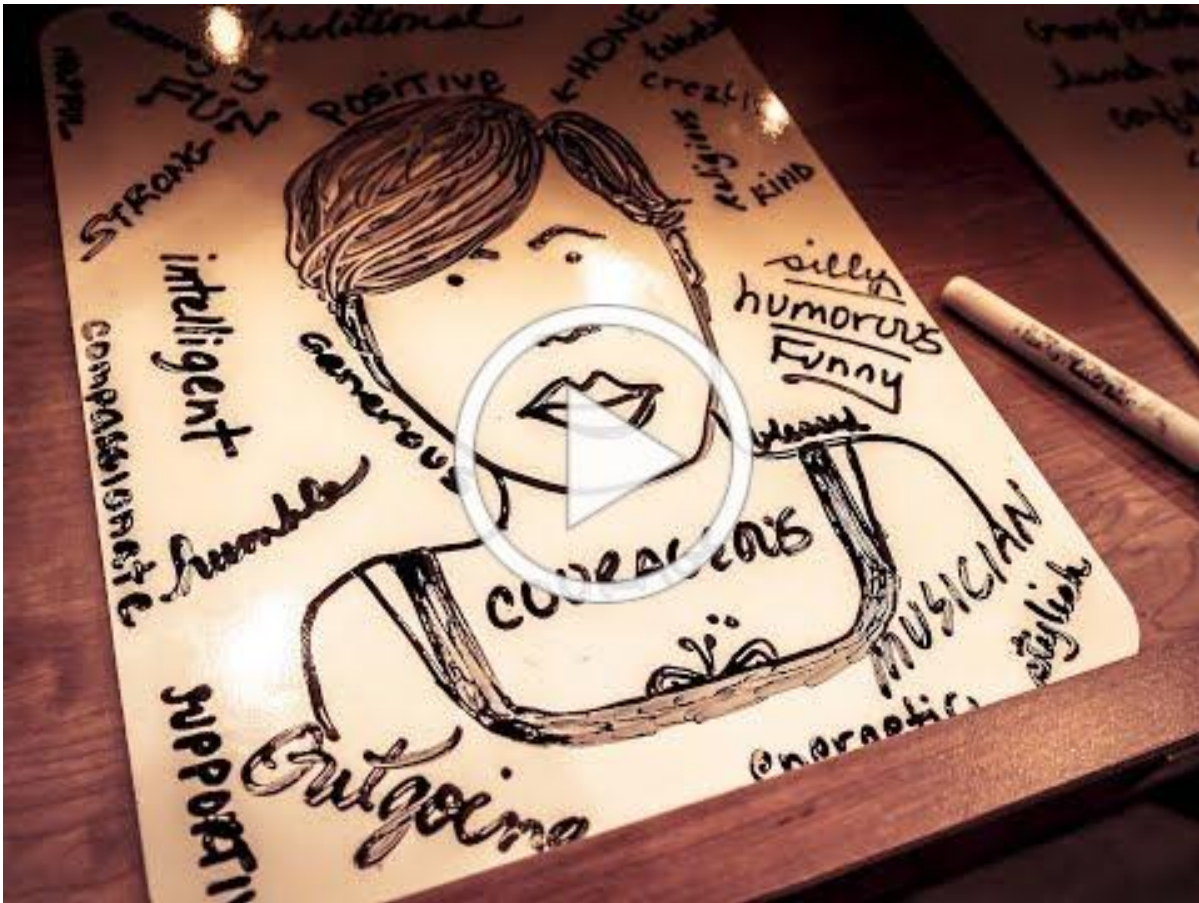
**Website:**  
[www.adabi.org](http://www.adabi.org)

Any assistance would be appreciated!





# YOUNG WOMEN ARE SACRED



## Young Women Are Sacred III

Fort Mojave  
Indian Tribe  
welcomed 50

*"Learn as much as you can, take everything in, get as much out of it, it really does help. I noticed in myself a change since coming here, I've changed alot from who i was when i*





young women who attended the 3rd Annual "Young Women Are Sacred; Encourage, Educate and Empower the Next Generation" conference.

This annual conference is the vision and dream of Caroline F. Antone; to encourage young girls to be self-aware, to educate their minds and souls for the future, and to empower who they are as Indigenous women.

YWAS brings together young Native girls and women in an effort to increase their knowledge and awareness of issues that may cause harm in their lives; and to arm them with skills and abilities to better care for themselves and make better choices.

YWAS this year addressed sex trafficking, suicide, teen dating violence, LGBTQ awareness, and included activities that prompted discussion about the use of social media, coming of age, and self-confidence.

The planning for this conference is a collaborative effort between Caroline F. Antone, the Fort Mojave Tribe DV Program, and the Southwest Indigenous Women's Coalition. However, YWAS IV will involve other individuals and organizations including Susan Silverman, LeAnn Lopez, and Anica Jose.

Be on the look out for information on YWAS IV!

*arrived from who i am now .... take advantage of this, embrace it because the encouragement, the information thier giving here is really going to help you in life"*

*A.L Jose*

**YOUNG WOMEN ARE SACRED**

**Encourage, Educate & Empower the Next Generation III**  
**July 10, 11 & 12th, 2017**

Young Women Ages: 12-18  
 Free Registration  
 Contact: Tania Harvey  
 tania.harvey@swiwc.org

For More Information Contact:  
 Caroline Felicity Antone Email:  
 carolineantone@msn.com or 520-904-4830  
 Or  
 Fort Mojave Indian Tribe Domestic Violence  
 Office (760) 326-3047

**LODGING INFORMATION:**  
 Avi Resort & Casino  
 1000 Aha Macav Parkway  
 Laughlin, NV 89029

**For Room Reservations:**  
 (702) 535-5555  
 www.avicasino.com

**ROOM RATES:**  
 Standard Room \$59.99 1 King or 2 Queens  
 Deluxe Room \$70.99 1 King or 2 Queens  
 Riverview Room \$79.00 1 King or 2 Queens  
 Domestic Violence Program 2017 Group  
 Name/Code GLDVP17  
 CUTOFF DATE - June 26, 2017

Thank you Albert Chacon, NativeImages PD for direction/production of video.

[Website](#)

**Young Women Are Sacred IV**  
**July 2018**





## The Monument Quilt

Thank you Albert Chacon of NativeImages PG, who produced/directed the Monument Quilt video. An event organized by SWIWC and FORCE: Upsetting Rape Culture.

**The Monument Quilt** is a crowd-sourced collection of thousands of stories from survivors of rape and abuse. By stitching our stories together, we are creating and demanding public space to heal.

The Monument Quilt is a platform to not only tell our stories, but work together to forever change how American respond to rape.

We are creating a new culture where survivors are publicly supported, rather than publicly shamed.

[Learn More](#)

To contact Albert Chacon  
[Website](#)





## The Navajo Nation makes human trafficking a criminal offense



"The Navajo Nation must take appropriate measures to prevent human trafficking, punish the traffickers, assist and protect the victims of such trafficking and protecting their human rights," the resolution states.

Under the law, tribal courts have jurisdiction over human trafficking cases, including those involving non-Native Americans, when a federal law enforcement agency or a federal court declines the matter or does not exercise jurisdiction to prosecute.

\*FarmingtonDailyTimes

[Read More](#)

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## VOCA Victory!





**Alert: Senate Appropriations CJS Bill Includes 5% Tribal VOCA Funding!**

**Congratulations all! Thank you to everyone who worked tirelessly to achieve this victory! Through your efforts both the Senate and House CJS appropriations bills now include a 5% Tribal VOCA Funding Stream!**

We are pleased to share that Senate Appropriations Committee listened to the hundreds of advocates, coalitions, and tribal leaders calling for justice for all victims! With the passage of the Senate CJS bill, a tribal dedicated VOCA funding stream is now included under both the Senate and House appropriation bills. We extend our deep gratitude to all members of both the Senate and House Appropriations Committees for supporting this life-saving amendment and we encourage you all to reach out and share your appreciation on behalf of tribal victims, programs, and your communities. A heartfelt thank you also to the National Congress of American Indians and the National Task Force to End Sexual and Domestic Violence (NTF) who worked continuously to achieve this victory.

As many of you know, the need for a direct funding stream for tribes is well-documented. Violent crime victimization on tribal lands is significantly higher than in the rest of the United States. Despite the overwhelming need for services, states have passed through only about 0.5% of VOCA funds to tribes. The 5% tribal funding within the Crime Victims Fund included in the Senate and House Appropriations CJS FY18 bills is vital to building resources and services for victims and services within the United States' most marginalized communities.

Once again, we thank all of you for your efforts over these past weeks, months, and years to achieve this important victory for tribal victims and for the ability of Indian tribes to provide tribal victims of crime with critically needed VOCA resources and services.

We look forward to our continued work to increase safety for Native women and children!

Thank you,

Lucy Simpson  
Executive Director  
NIWRC

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## Upcoming

***September 16, 2017***

**Orange Tree Golf Club and Resort  
Scottsdale, Arizona**



FOURTH ANNUAL

# Laughter

## is the best medicine

a night out with NATIVE HEALTH

PROCEEDS GO TO HELP FUND THE NATIVE HEALTH EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

**\$75**

**Saturday, September 16**

**5PM**

**Orange Tree Golf Club  
and Resort**

INCLUDES DINNER  
AND ENTERTAINMENT

Featured entertainment:

**JAMES  
& ERNIE**

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- **Pascua Yaqui –  
Dental Program**



tickets: **[nativehealthphoenix.org/laughter-best-medicine](http://nativehealthphoenix.org/laughter-best-medicine)**

(802) 279-5282, ext. 3117

NATIVE HEALTH



Join Native Health in a night of laughs. The event will assist tribal families by raising money for their Emergency Assistance Fund! The event includes, dinner, comedians, traditional dancers and a silent auction.

**Buy Tickets**



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***September 20-21, 2017***  
***Tribal Community Safety Summit***  
**Tucson, AZ**

**National Criminal Justice Training Center of Fox Valley Technical College:**

Discussion will be key safety challenges impacting tribal communities and examine ways to address these challenges through use of community policing, inter-agency collaboration and multi-jurisdictional partnerships.

[Register](#)

[More info](#)

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***September 25, 2017***  
***Experiential Trauma Interview (FETI)***  
**Camp Verde, AZ**



Monday September 25th, 2017  
9:00am– 5:00pm  
\*Lunch on your own

Cliff Castle Casino  
555 Middle Verde Road  
Camp Verde AZ 86322

## FORENSIC EXPERIENTIAL TRAUMA INTERVIEW (FETI)



**Russell Strand, Sr. Special Agent (Ret.) U.S. Army, developed a new interview technique known as the Forensic Experiential Trauma Interview (FETI).**

**FETI** is a new technique being employed and has already been proven to be a "game changer" in the investigation and prosecution of many types of violent crime.

**This training will offer AZ Post training credits.**

**To register: Call Myra Ferechil 928-679-7771 or Email: [MFerechil@coconino.az.gov](mailto:MFerechil@coconino.az.gov)**

De-mystify many common – yet counter-intuitive – responses of crime victims who are experiencing a traumatic event. Explain the ways in which trauma looks exactly like deception.

Learn techniques that enhance victim and witness recall and cooperation, provide rich investigative leads, and allow prosecutors to successfully prosecute perpetrators of violent crime.



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***September 27-29, 2017***  
***Annual Four Corners Conference***

### **Featured Topics:**

- Victim Rights: Past, Present and Future
- Human Trafficking Recognition
- LGBTQI Victims of Sexual Violence
- Working with Youth in Indian Country
- Vicarious Trauma, Compassion Fatigue
- Elder Abuse
- A Forensic Response to Strangulation
- Child Sexual Abuse Case Study



- Mandatory Child Abuse Reporting
- Tribal Law and Order Act - Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act

## Register

### Hotel Information

#### **FOR NON-SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS ONLY**

For non-scholarship recipients, a block of rooms will be held at the rate of \$118.00 plus tax until **September 13, 2017**. After this date, the hotel will take reservations based on room availability at its standard price.

If you call to make your room reservation, please indicate you will be attending the Four Corners Indian Country Conference. A major credit card will be required to reserve a room. Room cancellations must be made three days prior to arrival to avoid a one night charge to the credit card. Please note this is a non-smoking facility.

**Renaissance Phoenix Glendale Hotel & Spa**  
**9495 W. Coyotes Blvd.**  
**Glendale, AZ 85305**  
**1-800-931-1595**  
**623-937-3700**  
[www.RenaissanceGlendale.com](http://www.RenaissanceGlendale.com)

To reserve a room, please call **1-877-475-3827** and reference the **Group Name: Four Corners Indian Country Conference**. To reserve a room online click on the following link:

[Book your group rate for Four Corners Indian Country Conference](#)

### Lodging Scholarship Recipients

**If you receive a scholarship, please do not make your own hotel reservation; one will be made on your behalf.**

### Event Schedule

#### **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2017**

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Registration/Info Tables  
 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Opening Ceremonies  
 2:30 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. General Session  
 3:45 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Break  
 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. District Specific Sessions

#### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2017**

7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Registration/Info Tables  
 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Hoop Dancer Performance  
 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. General Session  
 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Lunch on your own  
 1:00 p.m. - 2:15 p.m. Breakout Sessions  
 2:15 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Break  
 2:30 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. Breakout Sessions  
 3:45 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Break  
 4:00 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. General Session

#### **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2017**

8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Registration/Info Tables  
 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. General Session  
 10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Break  
 10:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. General Session  
 12:00 p.m. Closing Remarks and Adjournment

### Featured Topics

- ◊ Victims' Rights: Past, Present and Future
- ◊ Human Trafficking Recognition
- ◊ LGBTQI Victims of Sexual Violence
- ◊ Working with Youth in Indian Country
- ◊ Mandatory Child Abuse Reporting
- ◊ Vicarious Trauma, Compassion Fatigue
- ◊ Trauma-Informed Approach to MDT
- ◊ Elder Abuse
- ◊ A Forensic Response to Strangulation
- ◊ Child Sexual Assault Case Study
- ◊ Tribal Law and Order Act – Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act

### Registration

There is no registration fee; however, **pre-registration is required**. Please log on to <https://4CICC.org> to register for the conference. If you do not have internet access please contact Tucson Victim Witness Assistant, Linda Gaitan at 520- 620-7316 for registration assistance. **Registration deadline is September 19, 2017.**

### Lodging Scholarships

A limited number of lodging scholarships are available to those who serve the Native American communities and would be unable to attend the conference without financial assistance. If you wish to apply for a scholarship, please follow the instructions on the registration site. You will be notified if awarded a scholarship. **Please do not make your hotel reservation if awarded a lodging scholarship. A hotel reservation will be made for you.** Scholarship recipients are required to share a room. If you do not request a roommate, one will be assigned to you. We are unable to accommodate family members.

### Who Should Attend?

Representatives from victim services, social services, schools, law enforcement, tribal leaders, prosecutors, court personnel, probation officers, judges, and others in the criminal justice arena with interest in matters involving Indian Country.

**October 2, 2017**  
**Arizona State Capitol**





October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. On October 2nd, Governor Ducey will light the State Capitol purple as a symbol of Arizona's dedication to end domestic violence. Stand with the Governor as we say, **It can stop!**

**EVENT DETAIL:**

Monday, October 2, 2017  
6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.  
Arizona State Capitol, House Lawn  
1700 W. Washington Street  
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

[Register](#)





**October 3-4, 2017**  
**We-Ko-Pa Resort and Conference Center**  
**Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation**

The statutory purpose of the violence against women tribal consultation is to solicit recommendations from tribal leaders on the following three topics:

- Enhancing the safety of American Indian and Alaska Native women from domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and sex trafficking;
- Strengthening the federal response to the crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and sex trafficking; and
- Administering funds and programs for tribal governments established by the original Violence Against Women Act and subsequent legislation.

**Register**

**Hotel Rooms - Reserve Online**

**Vendor/Exhibitor & Resource Table Opportunities**

OVW is pleased to offer vendor and exhibitor tables at the 2017 Tribal Consultation on Violence Against Women. Vendors will have the opportunity to display native arts and crafts for purchase and engage with hundreds of consultation guests.

Resource and information tables are offered to organizations that wish to disseminate materials, brochures, pamphlets, and magazines pertaining to domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, stalking, or sex trafficking resources for Native women and children.

**Space is limited!** Application deadline and payment is due by September 25th.

For more information, please contact [alparker@chenega.com](mailto:alparker@chenega.com) or by phone at (703) 888-6063.

[Click to download the application](#)

Additional information is available [ovwconsultation.org](http://ovwconsultation.org).

**[More information](#)**

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**November 1, 2017**  
**Native American Women's Conference**  
**Prescott Resort and Conference Center**





Women With Purpose

# Native American Women's Conference

November 1, 2017

[Agenda](#)

[Scholarship](#)

**Due by September 17, 2017**

[Speakers](#)

[Exhibitors/Vendors](#)

[More info](#)

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## ***November 6-9, 2017*** ***Indian Country Strangulation and Suffocation Seminar***

The Department of Justice's National Indian Country Training Initiative (NICTI), together with the Training Institute on Strangulation Prevention, is holding an Indian Country Strangulation and Suffocation Seminar on November 6-9, 2017, at the National Advocacy Center (NAC).

Strangulation is a lethal form of violence and is common in domestic violence and sexual assault cases. This three and on-half day course is designed for experienced federal and tribal multidisciplinary professionals (prosecutors, law enforcement officers, advocates, medical professionals) who work domestic and sexual violence cases in Indian Country. This course will provide an in-depth examination of the mechanics of strangulation and suffocation from



**NOMINATION FORM**

PLEASE TYPE AND SUBMIT THIS NOMINATION FORM BY **SEPTEMBER 22, 2017**  
VIA E-MAIL AT: [delores.mccarter@usdoj.gov](mailto:delores.mccarter@usdoj.gov)

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Please type your information below:

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1. Do you have more than one year of experience investigating or prosecuting domestic violence and/or sexual assault strangulation cases?

☐ Yes

☐ No

2. Do you work in Indian Country?



☐ Yes

☐ No

a medical, legal, law enforcement and advocacy perspective.

Nominations are due by September 22, 2017. Please email to [Delores McCarter](mailto:Delores.McCarter@usdoj.gov), Office of Legal Education. [More Info](#)

**June 26 - 28, 2018**  
**Albuquerque, NM**



One Hundred Thirteenth Congress  
of the  
United States of America  
AT THE FIRST SESSION  
*Began and held at the City of Washington on Thursday,  
the third day of January, two thousand and thirteen*

An Act  
To reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.  
*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of  
the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.  
This Act may be cited as the "Violence Against Women  
Reauthorization Act of 2013".

SEC. 2. TABLE OF CONTENTS.  
The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

TITLE IX—SAFETY FOR INDIAN WOMEN


Sec. 901. Grants to Indian tribal governments.  
Sec. 902. Grants to Indian tribal coalitions.  
Sec. 903. Consultation.  
Sec. 904. Tribal jurisdiction over crimes of domestic violence.  
Sec. 905. Tribal protection orders.  
Sec. 906. Amendments to the Federal assault statute.  
Sec. 907. Analysis and research on violence against Indian women.  
Sec. 908. Effective dates; pilot project.  
Sec. 909. Indian law and order commission; Report on the Alaska Rural  
Law Enforcement Commission.  
Sec. 910. Special rule for the State of Alaska.

*\*Excerpts of the 2013 VAWA Act Legislation*

# Save-the-Date!

## 2018 Women Are Sacred Conference Albuquerque, New Mexico

NIWRC is pleased to announce that we will be hosting the WAS Conference at the beautiful Hotel Albuquerque on June 26-28, 2018. Mark your calendars and watch our website for more details, including registration and agenda.



The WAS Conference is one of the oldest and largest gatherings of advocates, survivors, tribal domestic and sexual violence programs, tribal community members, tribal leadership, law enforcement and tribal court personnel dedicated to ending violence against American Indian and Alaska Native women and children. WAS offers state of the art training opportunities designed to increase the capacity of tribal nations, tribal domestic violence and community-based programs to address violence in tribal communities. Conference presenters include emerging Indigenous leaders and experts in the movement to ending violence.





# *Who We Are*

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