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NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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Welcome to the premiere issue of *Notes from the Executive Director*. There is so much going at the National Center on Domestic and Sexual Violence that I couldn't wait until we publish the next edition of our newsletter *NOTICE* to share these updates. I know you're busy and reading time is a premium, so we'll only send this letter from time to time.

GRANT TO TRAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

We're thrilled to be receiving a two-year renewal grant of \$800,000 from the **Office on Violence Against Women** (OVW) of the U.S. Department of Justice to continue our training efforts with the **Federal Law Enforcement Training Center** (FLETC), the **National Sheriffs' Association** (NSA), and the **National Center for Rural Law Enforcement** (NCRLE). Through these partnerships, we're training law enforcement officers nationwide to enhance their response to domestic violence and sexual assault cases. With this grant, we're able to expand our efforts to train 911 emergency dispatchers and call takers on domestic violence and on how they can complement law enforcement's response to calls. This grant is allowing us to expand our training with the National Sheriffs' Association to offer four pilot trainings on domestic violence for dispatchers. For detailed information about all of these trainings and the schedule of upcoming trainings, visit http://www.ncdsv.org/ncd_ongoingtrain.html.

Our long-time friend and supporter, **Congressman Lloyd Doggett** (D-TX) announced the grant in a news release that generated coverage by the *Austin American Statesman*, KXAN-TV (NBC affiliate) and KLBJ-Radio. Check out Congressman Doggett's news release and coverage by the *Austin American Statesman* and KXAN-TV at http://www.ncdsv.org/ncd_news.html.

MEXICO ADVOCACY TRAINING PROJECT

In two weeks, we'll be unveiling our joint training effort that is the first step in setting standards for local domestic violence and sexual assault service providers in Mexico. The train-the-trainer program will be presented in Cancún, Mexico, November 10-14, 2003. The National Center was invited to partner with **Alternativas Pacificas** of Monterrey, Nuevo León on this exciting project to develop a manual and present the week-long training. The training is geared for local program staff and Board members from the existing nine domestic violence shelters and the 11 communities that hope to open programs in Mexico.

Several National Center staff (**Juliet Walters, Jennifer Scott-Dewar, Valinda Bolton, Nancy Flanakin, Terri Hudson, Kyre Osborn,** and myself) are working closely with **Alicia Leal Puerta**, Executive Director and **Aixa Alvarado** of Alternativas Pacificas; **Lydia Cacho Ribeiro**, Centro Integral De Atención a la Mujer; **Patricia Castillo**, Director of the P.E.A.C.E. Initiative, San Antonio, TX, and **Yolanda Matos**, Mercy Medical Center, Nampa, ID.

NATIONAL CENTER STAFF ON THE ROAD

This fall, National Center staff members are on the road training and facilitating meetings for our Technical Assistance Providers Support (TAPS) project all over the country. Here’s the listing just for September through November. We’re certainly collecting frequent flier miles!

DATE	LOCATION	EVENT	STAFF
Sep 2	Baton Rouge, LA	Keynote Speech for the Louisiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence’s Annual Conference	Debby
Sep 8-12	Grand Rapids, MI	FLETC <i>Domestic Violence Train-the-Trainer</i>	Christina
Sep 11-12	Fredericksburg, VA	NSA <i>Domestic Violence Training for Emergency Professionals (Dispatchers and Call Takers)</i>	Jennifer
Sep 13-17	Seattle, WA	FaithTrust – TAPS Meeting	Anne
Sep 16	San Antonio, TX	Muskie Institute – TAPS Meeting	Vickie
Sep 17	Pine Mountain, GA	Georgia Coalition Against Domestic Violence Speech	Debby
Sep 17-18	Hamilton, MT	NSA <i>Domestic Violence: Intervention and Investigation</i>	Jennifer
Sep 19	Seattle, WA	Muskie Institute – TAPS Meeting	Anne
Sep 21-24	Albuquerque, NM	Praxis International – TAPS Meeting	Pat
Sep 28-Oct 1	Albuquerque, NM	Muskie Institute – TAPS Meeting	Vickie
Sep 30-Oct 2	New Orleans, LA	National College of District Attorneys Conference	Debby
Oct 9	Las Vegas, NV	Keynote Speech for SafeNest’s 20 th Anniversary	Debby
Oct 15-16	Washington DC	OVW National Sexual Assault Meeting – TAPS Meeting	Vickie and Juliet
Oct 16	San Antonio, TX	P.E.A.C.E. Initiative Speech	Debby
Oct 20	La Jolla, CA	National Fatality Review Initiative – TAPS Meeting	Andrea
Oct 20-24	Atlanta, GA	California Coalition Against Sexual Assault – TAPS Meeting	Anne
Oct 22-23	Franklin, TN	NSA <i>Domestic Violence: Intervention and Investigation</i>	Jennifer
Nov 3-7	San Diego, CA	FLETC Military Law Enforcement Training	Debby
Nov 3-8	Tucson, AZ	NOW Legal Defense and Education Fund – TAPS Meeting	Pat and Andrea
Nov 4-5	Austin, TX	Tribal Law Institute – TAPS Meeting	Anne
Nov 5-6	Battleboro, VT	NSA <i>Domestic Violence Training for Emergency Professionals (Dispatchers and Call Takers)</i>	Jennifer
Nov 10-14	Cancún, Mexico	Advocacy Training	Debby and Juliet
Nov 17-21	Tuscaloosa AL	FLETC <i>Domestic Violence Train-the-Trainer</i>	Christina
Nov 19-20	Minden, NV	NSA <i>Domestic Violence: Intervention and Investigation</i>	Jennifer

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Happy Halloween!!

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