Dear Friends:

The National Center has experienced a significant funding loss. This requires us to drastically reduce operations in order to restructure while continuing to meet our contractual obligations and other funded commitments.

With this restructuring, I will remain Executive Director. Vickie Smith and Juliet Walters will be available as Training Consultants and Christina Walsh as Communications Consultant. We will be available for training, consultation and advocacy work on a fee-for-service basis. Our award-winning website (www.ncdsv.org) will remain online; our ability to provide technical assistance, however, will be significantly reduced.

I want to personally thank Nancy Flanakin, Library Coordinator, John Dennis, Operations Coordinator, and Jenny Brown, Administrative Specialist, for their exceptional dedication and professionalism. Our outstanding staff members during these six years include Valinda Bolton, Patricia R. Cole, Anne Cunic, Randy Hines, Terri Lynne Hudson, Lisa J. Mucciacciaro, Nina Marie Olivo, Kyre Osborn, Jennifer Scott-Dewar, Andrea Twyman, Patricia White, Crystal Wick and Bernice Williams. Thanks to each of them for their contributions to the National Center.

Collaborating with our training partners, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, the National Center for Rural Law Enforcement, and the National Sheriffs’ Association has been rewarding. Together we developed and delivered more than 124 classes around the country for advocates, law enforcement, prosecutors and emergency dispatchers to improve their responses to domestic and sexual violence in their communities.

It is our pleasure to work closely with so many organizations, including:

Advocates for Human Potential, Inc.  
Alternativas Pacificas A.C., de Monterrey  
Battered Women’s Justice Project  
California Coalition Against Sexual Assault  
Centro Integral de Atención a la Mujer y Sus Hijos  
Asociación Civil de Cancún  
Coast Guard, South Region  
Community Anti-Violence Alliance, Inc.  
Corporate Alliance to End Partner Violence  
Defense Task Force on Domestic Violence  
Domestic Violence Enhanced Response Team, DVERT  
FaithTrust Institute  
Family Violence Prevention Fund  
Jewish Women International  
Legal Assistance Providers’ Technical Assistance Project, LAPTOP  
Legal Momentum  
Lincoln Family Violence Council  
Men Stopping Violence
In addition, thank you to the hundreds of agencies and organizations across the country who hired the National Center to provide training and consultation. We also thank the following generous supporters that made our work possible:

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- Avon Foundation
- Battered Women’s Justice Project
- Board of Directors, National Center
- Family Violence Department, Texas Department of Human Services (now known as the Texas Health and Human Services Commission)
- Gerson Family Foundation
- Individual donors
- Office on Violence Against Women, U.S. Department of Justice
- Philip Morris Companies, Inc.
- Texas Bar Foundation
- U.S. Department of Defense

Despite this transition, the National Center remains committed to designing, providing and customizing training and consultation; influencing policy; promoting collaboration; and enhancing diversity with the goal of ending domestic and sexual violence. Our Board of Directors will continue to guide the organization’s development:

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You can continue to reach the National Center at 512.407.9020 or dtucker@ncdsv.org. Our office will close as of September 30, 2005.

Thank you for your support.