



Letter from the Director

Greetings!,

As we transition into the winter season, the SCY team is also changing. Operations Manager Kelli Day has been promoted to Director of Operations for Lurie Children's Healthy Communities. This wonderful opportunity for Kelli provides an opening for someone new to join us as SCY's [Manager, Finance and Grants](#). We congratulate Kelli on her new role and look forward to the next chapter in growing the SCY team.

Sincerely,

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UPCOMING SCY EVENTS

January 12: Professional Development Workshop

[*Kingian Nonviolence*](#)

FEATURED ARTICLE: LATEST DATA BRIEF FROM THE ILLINOIS VIOLENT DEATH REPORTING SYSTEM

[Homicide in Chicago Community Areas 2007-2015](#)

For the first time, data detailing homicide rates by community area over an extended time period has been made available.

Unfortunately, the data confirm what many have suspected. The risk for homicide is concentrated in a few Chicago community areas and this disproportionate distribution of risk has been the case for an extended period of time. The good news is that community violence is preventable and evidence-based strategies for reducing violence are expanding. The [Illinois Violent Death Reporting System](#) (IVDRS) sees this data as a resource to guide communities in addressing violent deaths in affected areas across Chicago.

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LIFT UP NOT LOCK UP!

From Trauma to Healing, Advancing Justice Reinvestment in Illinois

Join the [Right On Justice](#) alliance along with community members, faith leaders, government stakeholders, organizers, youth, health care providers and restorative justice practitioners in an opportunity to have a collective vision to advance alternatives to mass incarceration, violence and healing through restorative practices and policies.

Tuesday, December 12, 2017
12:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Malcolm X College
1900 W. Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, IL 60612

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PROTECTING THE MOST VULNERABLE

10 Policies to Prevent and Respond to Childhood Lead Exposure

Please join the [National Center for Healthy Housing](#), [Trust for America's Health](#), and the [Health Impact Project](#), a collaboration of the [Robert Wood Johnson Foundation](#) and [The Pew Charitable Trusts](#), for a [Dialogue4Health](#) Web Forum on a new report, [10 Policies to Prevent and Respond to Childhood Lead Exposure](#), which found that billions in public spending could be saved by preventing and mitigating the effects of lead poisoning.

Wednesday, December 13, 2017
1:30 pm - 3:00 pm
Online

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FEDERAL GRANTS 101

Securing Millions for Your Organization

This [CharityHowTo](#) event will provide a strong framework for grant seeking efforts to ensure that attendees are following best practices from the start of grant research through the submission of an application.

Wednesday, December 13, 2017
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm
Online

OR

Tuesday, December 19, 2017
2:00 pm - 3:30 pm
Online

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BUILD RESILIENCE. BE TRAUMA-INFORMED

Join the Learning Community

Join the [National Council](#)'s Trauma-Informed Services team for an informational webinar introducing this exciting opportunity on trauma-informed, resilience-oriented approaches.

Informational Webinar
Thursday, December 14, 2017
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Online

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Application Deadline
Tuesday, January 15, 2018
4:00 pm
Online

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23RD ANNUAL STUDENT VOICES CONTEST

Encouraging Discussion and Prevention Measures

The [Illinois Council Against Handgun Violence](#) Student Voices Contest for 2018 will focus on how the media may have much more influence over gun violence than one may believe. This contest is a way to give students the opportunity for their voices to be heard.



Entry Deadline
Friday, February 18, 2018

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CALL FOR PREVENTION WORKSHOP PROPOSALS

2018 National Sexual Assault Conference

The call for proposals is now open for this year's annual conference hosted by the [California Coalition Against Sexual Assault](#). The theme of the 2018 conference is, "Bold Moves: Ending Sexual Violence in One Generation."



Submission Deadline
Tuesday, January 16, 2018

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NEWSLETTER CONTENT

To have an event or article included in SCY's bi-monthly update, email Operations Coordinator [Kirstin Grabski](#).



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