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# Event Agenda

Pathways for Victim Services Conference

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## Wed, Sep 10, 2025

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	<b>Breakfast</b> Location: Kilimanjaro Ballroom
9:00 AM - 9:15 AM	<b>Welcome/Opening Remarks</b> Location: Kilimanjaro Ballroom
9:15 AM - 10:30 AM	<b>Keynote - Waylon Pahona and Johanna Corpeno</b> Location: Kilimanjaro Ballroom
10:45 AM - 12:00 PM	<b>Workshop Session One</b> Location: Breakout Rooms
	<b>The Crossroads</b> 10:45 AM - 12:00 PM Speakers: Jessica Piro, Natasha Fox
	<b>Restitution Collaboration with Advocates, OVA, &amp; the DOC (tentative)</b> 10:45 AM - 12:00 PM Speakers: Amy Smulkis, Pam Behr
	<b>Housing First: Options and Considerations for Domestic Violence Survivors</b> 10:45 AM - 12:00 PM Speakers: Amy Rumbel, Unsure at this time PCADV Housing Staff person
	<b>Tamaqua Police and Sexual Assault Resource Counseling Center Rural Violent Crime Reduction Initiative</b> 10:45 AM - 12:00 PM Speakers: Micah Gursky, Michael Hobbs
	<b>High Risk Team Approach to Domestic Violence</b> 10:45 AM - 12:00 PM Speaker: Kathy Rusch
	<b>Navigating Romance Scams: Challenges, Best Practices, and Collaborative Approaches</b> 10:45 AM - 12:00 PM Speakers: Brendan Corbalis, Camille Garcia-Flahaut, Esq.
12:00 PM - 12:45 PM	<b>Lunch</b> Location: Kilimanjaro Ballroom
1:00 PM - 2:15 PM	<b>Workshop Session Two</b> Location: Breakout Rooms
	<b>VCAP Discussion and Scenarios</b> 1:00 PM - 2:15 PM Location: Kilimanjaro Suite 10 Speaker: Stacie Brendlinger
	<b>Beyond the System: Empowering Survivors of Human Trafficking and the Foster Care System</b> 1:00 PM - 2:15 PM Speakers: Elizabeth Stein, Marcia Hopkins
	<b>Reimagining Care: Vicarious Trauma, Burnout, and the Real Work of Supporting Caregivers</b> 1:00 PM - 2:15 PM Speaker: Jamie Eaddy
	<b>Practicing Intersectional Advocacy: Moving from Awareness to Action in Support of Survivors</b> 1:00 PM - 2:15 PM Speaker: Marli Mayon
	<b>Protecting Older Adults: Investigating Financial Exploitation</b> 1:00 PM - 2:15 PM Speakers: Karen Leonovich, Jessica Jones
	<b>Shifting the Narrative: A Collaborative Approach to Sibling Sexual Abuse</b> 1:00 PM - 2:15 PM Speakers: Alexis Neimeyer, Kelly Hagenbaugh (She/Her)

2:30 PM - 3:45 PM

**Workshop Session Three**

Location: Breakout Rooms

**Mitigating the Risk of Human Trafficking Post Natural Disaster**

2:30 PM - 3:45 PM

Speaker: Krista Hoffman

**Creating Trauma-Informed and Inclusive Workplaces: Validating Trauma and Promoting Well-being**

2:30 PM - 3:45 PM

Speaker: Leslie Davila

**Supporting Adult Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse**

2:30 PM - 3:45 PM

Speaker: Jaime Cypher

**A Grandmother's Survival Journey Following the Murder of Her Grandson**

2:30 PM - 3:45 PM

Speaker: Ann Gant

**Beyond Grief: Empowering Victim Service Providers and Supporting Homicide Survivors**

2:30 PM - 3:45 PM

Speaker: Gabrielle Rainey

**Redefining Justice: Empowering Survivors and Strengthening Multi-Disciplinary Teams (MDTs)**

2:30 PM - 3:45 PM

Speakers: Kelly Hagenbaugh (She/Her), Kala Fell

4:00 PM - 5:15 PM

**Workshop Session Four**

Location: Breakout Rooms

**Beyond Trauma: Understanding Grief and Ambiguous Loss in Victim Advocacy**

4:00 PM - 5:15 PM

Speakers: Lorenzo Shedrick, Diamond Walker

**Domestic And Sexual Violence- Hope after Trauma**

4:00 PM - 5:15 PM

Speaker: Marissa Buatti

**Developing a Violence Prevention and Safety Program with a Former Refugee and Immigrant Community**

4:00 PM - 5:15 PM

Speakers: Julia Zielinski, Sarun Chan

**Victim Community Awareness Curriculum (VCAC) 101**

4:00 PM - 5:15 PM

Speakers: Michaela Mowers, Mary Beth Collins

**Clicks, Trauma, and Connection: The Dual Impact of Social Media in Victim Advocacy**

4:00 PM - 5:15 PM

Speaker: Tijania Goodwin

**The Intersection of Trafficking, Domestic Violence, and Sexual Assault from a Statewide Initiative: Breaking Down Silos**

4:00 PM - 5:15 PM

Speakers: Heather LaRocca, Zozan Küçükaydin

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**Thu, Sep 11, 2025**

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

**Breakfast**

Location: Kilimanjaro Ballroom

9:15 AM - 10:15 AM

**Keynote - Nicole Hockley, CEO of Sandy Hook Promise**

Location: Kilimanjaro Ballroom

10:30 AM - 11:45 AM

**Workshop Session Five**

**Creating and Implementing Victim-Centric and Multidisciplinary Responses to Human Trafficking**

10:30 AM - 11:45 AM

Speaker: Erin Varley

**Black Grief Matters: Addressing Diversity, Systemic Harm, and Collective Healing**

10:30 AM - 11:45 AM

Speaker: Jamie Eaddy, DMin, FT, CTP (she/her)

**"Building Safer Campuses: The Impact of Community-Based Education on Dating Abuse Awareness Among First-Year College Students"**

10:30 AM - 11:45 AM

Speakers: Amelia Rayburn, Meghan/Matt Ramick/Saboe

**Help for the Helpers: Capturing Vicarious Resilience**

10:30 AM - 11:45 AM

Speaker: Amber McGee

**Transforming Neighborhoods through HOPE**

10:30 AM - 11:45 AM

Speakers: Stephanie Martin, Maria Rosado-Husband

**Utilizing the Trauma-Informed Care Approach with LGBTQIA+ Individuals**

10:30 AM - 11:45 AM

Speaker: Kelly Burkhardt

12:00 PM - 12:45 PM

**Lunch**

Location: Kilimanjaro Ballroom

12:45 PM - 1:45 PM

**Pathfinder Awards**

Location: Kilimanjaro Ballroom

2:00 PM - 3:15 PM

**Workshop Session Six**

Location: Breakout Rooms

**Comfort, And How To Provide It**

2:00 PM - 3:15 PM

Speaker: David Ramón Zayas

**Building Bridges: A Collaborative Approach to Victim Services in the Aftermath of a Hate-Based, Mass-Violence Event**

2:00 PM - 3:15 PM

Speakers: Adrienne Howe, Maggie Feinstein

**Multidisciplinary Crisis Response to Homicides**

2:00 PM - 3:15 PM

Speakers: Tania Leonard, Jordan Scott

**Pets Are People Too! - What Advocates Can Do to Assist Victims and their Companion Animals**

2:00 PM - 3:15 PM

Speakers: Cheri Herschell, Dana Friday

**Culturally responsive, trauma-informed workplace practices for organizational wellness and sustainability**

2:00 PM - 3:15 PM

Speakers: Stephanie Benincase, Nicole Amabile

**Process Matters: How Fair Treatment Promotes Safety and Engagement**

2:00 PM - 3:15 PM

Speaker: Jamie Pizzi

3:30 PM - 4:45 PM

**Workshop Session Seven**

Location: Breakout Rooms

**Supporting Immigrant Survivors of Human Trafficking and Other Workplace Crimes**

3:30 PM - 4:45 PM

Speaker: Alicia Anguiano

**Relationship Between the Media and Resiliency Centers During Trial**

3:30 PM - 4:45 PM

Speaker: Emery Malachowski

**Measuring the Problem of Sexual Misconduct in Ridesharing**

3:30 PM - 4:45 PM

Speaker: Julia Mallory

**From Surviving to Thriving: Survivor Insights on Effective DV Support**

3:30 PM - 4:45 PM

Speaker: Jill Myhre

**"Trauma-Informed Communication: Mastering Empathy through Language"**

3:30 PM - 4:45 PM

Speaker: Gabrielle Rainey

**Dating and Sexuality Education for Individuals Living with Developmental Disabilities**

3:30 PM - 4:45 PM

Speakers: Amy Swanson, April Michels

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## Fri, Sep 12, 2025

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

### Breakfast

Location: Kilimanjaro Ballroom

9:15 AM - 10:15 AM

### Keynote - Dr. Bernadine Y. Waller

Location: Kilimanjaro Ballroom

10:45 AM - 12:00 PM

### Workshop Session Eight

Location: Breakout Rooms

#### **Bridging the Gap: Supporting Immigrant Survivors Through Culturally-Informed Victim Services**

10:45 AM - 12:00 PM

Speakers: Sasha Alvarado-Salazar, Brianna Andrews

#### **Lessons from the Field: Engaging People with Lived Experience to Inform Outreach and Prevention Work**

10:45 AM - 12:00 PM

Speakers: Nicole Amabile, Stephanie Benincase

#### **Trauma-Informed Art Therapy in Victim Services**

10:45 AM - 12:00 PM

Speakers: Gretchen Tucker, Yael Tsoran

#### **The Trauma Informed Legal Practice**

10:45 AM - 12:00 PM

Speaker: Kimberly Hollenback

#### **Tools to Empower Victims of Crime in Various Settings**

10:45 AM - 12:00 PM

Speakers: Beth Coutts, Angela Keen

#### **Supporting Survivors in Recovery: An Exploration on the Impact of IPV Screening and Service Delivery for Pregnant and Parenting Women Using Substances**

10:45 AM - 12:00 PM

Speakers: Jessica Palardy, Kim McLaughlin, PhD, LPC