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FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME.

# Minnesota Alliance on Crime

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## About the Minnesota Alliance on Crime

The Minnesota Alliance on Crime is a membership coalition of crime victim service organizations and individuals in Minnesota, including prosecution-based victim/witness programs, community programs, law enforcement agencies, civil legal organizations, and individuals committed to supporting crime victims. We support our membership through training, technical assistance, resources, public policy and legislative initiatives, and networking opportunities.

### Mission

The mission of the Minnesota Alliance on Crime (MAC) is to connect systems, service providers, and victim to advance the response for all victims of crime.

### Core Values

1. We oppose the use of all forms of violence and victimization and affirm the basic human right of every person to live without fear or the threat of victimization throughout the course of one's life.
2. We seek a criminal justice system that is fair and accessible to crime victims, and where meaningful rights for crime victims are routinely honored.
3. We stand in solidarity with efforts around the world to end all forms of discrimination, exploitation, victimization, and violence.
4. We recognize that forms of oppression based on race, gender, class, ethnicity, nationality, immigration status, disability, age, religion and sexual orientation create a climate of supremacy and ownership that facilitates the use of ongoing violence and victimization.
5. We believe in the strength of diversity, embrace the differences among ourselves and within our communities, and promote the development of leadership in all communities.
6. We undertake prevention efforts to confront and change cultural norms and practices that facilitate violence and victimization.
7. We promote and encourage the leadership of victims/survivors in guiding our advocacy, policy, and training efforts.
8. We affirm the power of collective and collaborative efforts in order to end violence and victimization.
9. We encourage reflection about our work and thoughtful evaluation of our efforts. We are committed to the ongoing development of innovative strategies for our members and allies to better meet the diverse and emerging needs of crime victims.
10. We commit to creating a work environment for staff and volunteers that respects diversity, fosters professional growth, encourages critical thinking and initiative, and promotes diligent and effective advocacy efforts.

## Benefits of MAC Membership

### Training and Technical Assistance:

- Participate in MAC trainings at no cost and receive travel, lodging, and meal reimbursement when applicable
- Attend free web trainings, including access to archived trainings
- Attend the MAC Annual Meeting and Capacity Building Training at no cost, including travel reimbursement when applicable
- Facilitated consensus and action planning workshops for your program from MAC staff
- Contact MAC staff when you need technical assistance, media relations support, research, or resources

### Information and Resource Materials:

- Receive MAC electronic newsletters with news, resources, and funding opportunities
- Utilize the MAC website for information about trainings and events, brochures, articles, and other resources
- Access “members only” section of MAC’s website, which includes special resources and archived webinars
- Share information and resources with your fellow members at networking meetings and other MAC events

### Networking Opportunities:

- Shape the priorities and activities of MAC at the Annual Membership Meeting
- After one year of membership, eligibility to join the MAC Board of Directors
- Join MAC networks and committees, such as the Public Policy Committee
- Participate in e-mail discussion lists with colleagues from across the state

### Public Policy & Legislation:

- MAC members help shape the statewide legislative and policy agenda and participate in emerging issues discussions, needs assessments, surveys, and committee work
- MAC provides member programs with resources to educate decision-makers about the importance of community efforts to end violence and the need to continue to fund the programs that make these community efforts possible
- MAC tracks state and federal legislative activity that impacts programs providing services to crime victims
- MAC provides member programs with ongoing information about legislative events and with tools and guidance for how to be part of a collective voice at the Minnesota Capitol

## Types of MAC Membership

Two different types of membership are available to organizations and one for individuals. All members benefit from participation in MAC sponsored events, trainings, and resource dissemination; voting members have additional opportunities to participate in the work of MAC.

**Voting Member Organization:** Organizations that **provide direct services to crime victims**. Voting members vote on the slate of new board members, public policy/legislative initiatives, and changes to MAC by-laws. **Direct victim service programs must join as voting members.**

**Supportive Non-Voting Organization:** Nonprofit; health and education; tribal, state, and local government; and other organizations that **do not provide direct services to crime victims**; and actively promote the mission statement and core values of MAC may join as supportive non-voting members.

**Supportive Non-Voting Individual:** Individual, student, or victim/survivor who actively promotes the mission statement and core values of MAC may join as a supportive non-voting member.

## How to Apply for MAC Membership

The FY22 MAC Membership Application is online at <https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/6376402/68bc44e5ea1c>.

Membership dues may be paid using a major credit card or mailing a check to MAC.

## Questions?

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