



## CONFERENCE INFO

The 2025 annual conference will take place from June 24–26th, 2025. This will be an in-person event in Columbus, Ohio with a virtual option available to attendees only.

### CONFERENCE THEME

In 2025, our Annual Conference is an integral part of the Voices of Change campaign—a yearlong initiative to uplift survivors, strengthen collaboration, and drive meaningful action. *Voices of Change is not just a theme or colorful logo; it's a rallying cry to come together, empower one another, and actively support survivors of sexual violence.*

This theme emphasizes the *strength and unity found in collaboration and collective action*. It calls on us to *speak up and take actionable steps* in our communities to create safer, more supportive spaces for survivors and to end sexual violence at its roots.

At its heart, "Voices of Change" *centers the needs and stories of survivors and the people who work on the front lines*, recognizing that their voices hold the wisdom and guidance necessary for meaningful change.

This conference provides a dedicated space to *elevate the voices and experiences of survivors, as well as the insights of those leading efforts in prevention, support, and advocacy*. Together, we'll explore innovative strategies, share resources, and foster connections that deepen our collective impact.

As part of the broader Voices of Change campaign—which also includes Sexual Assault Awareness Month initiatives, Advocacy Day, and other statewide programs—this conference reflects our commitment to *sustaining a unified and ongoing movement*. We invite you to *join us* in advancing this critical work, forging stronger networks, and creating real, lasting progress.

Registration information will go live via email, social media, and on our website at [oaesv.org/conference](https://oaesv.org/conference) in the *early part of 2025*. Stay tuned!

**CONTRIBUTE YOUR VOICE TO OHIO'S ANTI-SEXUAL VIOLENCE WORK.  
SUBMIT A WORKSHOP PROPOSAL TODAY.**

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## WORKSHOP PROPOSALS

For more information about the process or to submit your proposal, please visit the submission form at [oaesv.org/2025ConferenceProposals](https://oaesv.org/2025ConferenceProposals)

**We welcome workshop proposals that demonstrate the following characteristics:**

- Supportive of the overall conference theme
- Addressing innovative or advanced concepts related to practice
- Inclusive of diverse audiences, communities, and perspectives
- Promoting community collaboration and partnerships
- Reflective of the needs of adult learners (interactive workshop, hands-on activities, skills-based, etc.)

**We are looking for workshop proposals in these categories:**

1. Prevention
2. Intervention/Advocacy
3. Anti-Oppression
3. Coordinated Community Responses
4. Self-Care (individual, institutional, or community)

**NEW EXTENDED DEADLINE:  
11:59PM, SUNDAY, 1/5/25**

**Workshops that address the following topics are strongly encouraged:**

- unexpected community partnerships
- community-level prevention
- restorative justice, transformative justice, equity and/or inclusion initiatives
- sustainable leadership and thriving organizations

**Each workshop will be 90 minutes in length, but there are options to indicate if a workshop can be longer in length or a keynote. Workshop submission window open upon publishing. Window has been extended and now closes Sunday, January 5, 2025 at 11:59 pm EST. To be equitable, we will not accept late submissions. Visit [www.oaesv.org/RFP](https://www.oaesv.org/RFP) to submit.**

A note to potential presenters: Studies have shown that women, trans, non-binary folx, and BIPOC are less likely to apply for opportunities unless they believe they meet every single one of the qualifications as described in the description. We are committed to building a diverse and inclusive conference that highlights many perspectives and lived experiences. Potential presenters may come from a background less traditional to our field of work, and that's okay. We would strongly encourage you to apply.

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