Back-to-School Violence Prevention: The Red Zone

The Red Zone. It isn’t a geographical place. It’s actually a time period on college campuses—one during which up to 50% of acts of sexual violence on campuses are thought to occur. This is a period between campus move-in and the holiday break that correlates with an influx of new students. Perpetrators are thought to target those who are unfamiliar with campus and may be experiencing new social circles and activities. And because we know that sexual violence is the fault of the perpetrator, then one major way to address the red zone is by incorporating primary prevention strategies on campuses in an effort to change the culture at its roots.

This is a conversation that is unfortunately lacking on some campuses and their surrounding communities, as many databases such as RAINN and the Department of Justice have concluded that 23.1% of female undergrads, 21% of trans and gender non-conforming students, and 5.4% of male students still experience sexual assault on campus. We must do this prevention work at the community level, recognizing that a culturally pervasive issue will not suddenly go away after students attend one short lecture. Below, we’ve listed just a couple of resources to help you learn more about this issue and to incorporate this community-level prevention work on campuses and beyond:

- "Password: Consent - a Campaign to END the Red Zone" -- a toolkit from Break the Cycle
- "Add 'Consent' to your Teen’s College Checklist" -- a conversation starter from the NSVRC
- "Be the One Ohio" -- a primary prevention campaign from OAESV and the Ohio Department of Health

Primary Prevention
What We’ve Been Up To

Campus Advocacy Training

6 Presenters

Over 47 Participants

Learning about:
- the prevalence of sexual violence on college campuses and special considerations for working with survivors in a campus environment
- the importance and role of campus sexual violence advocates, and how they can collaborate with other campus stakeholders
- basic information about Title IX and specific questions to ask about Title IX-related processes at individual colleges/universities

2019 OAESV Staff Retreat

We believe that in order to do our work to the best of our abilities, we must care for our individual health as well as the collective health of our team. We are so thankful for the time we were able to spend together at our 2019 Staff Retreat--time that allowed us to connect with one another, making our work for survivors even stronger.

Strength
Welcome to our new staff!

Lauren N.D. Jones
Campus and Legal Advocate

Jenn Eidemiller
Resource and Communications Coordinator
What's Coming Up

OAESV 2019 Regional Meetings

Friday, August 9, 2019 – Northeast Region – Akron
https://conta.cc/2M2olVw

Click to sign up for the meeting near you!

Monday, August 5, 2019 – Northwest Region – Toledo
https://conta.cc/2Gk7Z77

Tuesday, August 6, 2019 – Southeast Region – Cambridge
https://conta.cc/2SrQvdQ

Wednesday, August 7, 2019 – Southwest Region – Lebanon
https://conta.cc/2xZe2cJ

Thursday, August 8, 2019 – Central Region – Delaware
https://conta.cc/2YaXJYZ

Friday, August 9, 2019 – Northeast Region – Akron
https://conta.cc/2M2olVw
When you're picking up your pencils and binders during Back-to-School shopping, don't forget to brush up on active bystander information! Sexual violence and bullying happens everywhere: school, the workplace, in public, and even at home. Make sure you #KnowTheSigns and are doing things to create a positive and safe environment wherever you may be.

For more tips and information, follow our Be the One initiative on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter, and check out our website for how you can be an active bystander.

What's Coming Up

OAESV Monthly Webinar

Wednesday, August 14
12:00pm - 1:00 pm
"Campus Advocacy: More Than 1-on-1 Support" with Kelly Becker

Check your email for the registration link—or email info@oaesv.org

Our Website is Now Open!

Our team has been working tirelessly and our website is now up and open for business! Check it out for information on blog posts, resources, and events at www.oaesv.org.

What's Coming Up

TYPES OF BYSTANDERS

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Learn more at: ICanBeTheOne.com
Embrace Your Voice, Ohio!

September 21, 2019
11 AM to 2 PM
The Sanctuary in Cincinnati

Keynote Speaker:
Kenyette Tisha Barnes

National Co-Founder #MuteRKelly;
Legislative and Lobbyist/Operative, Nia Vizyon, LLC

Click to get your tickets!
Will you join us?
Click to become a member!

OAESV is dedicated to this critical cause, but we cannot do this work alone. Your support powers our statewide efforts and the movement to end sexual violence in Ohio.

OAESV is a membership-based organization that relies on the support of organizations and individuals throughout Ohio to serve as the voice of the anti-sexual violence movement in Ohio. We are a unifying force bringing together parties involved in and affected by sexual violence as a catalyst for change.

By joining us and working together, you can help us achieve even more!

For more information about membership, email us at info@oaesv.org

Don’t Miss Out!

Be sure to follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram so you have up-to-date information on upcoming trainings and events, including monthly members-only webinars!

Thank you for reading!