Welcome!

COALITION ENDING GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE
Seattle/King County Coalition on Homelessness
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Coalition Meet Up:
Gather, Learn, & Collaborate
October 30th
9am to 11am
In-person
ASL Interpretation Provided
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CEGV Team

From left to right: Paris, Hannah, Lea, Kate, Amarinthia, Nykki, Tracee (not pictured, Mattie)

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Our Mission

To end gender-based violence and promote equitable relationships through collective action for social change.

Our Vision

Together we can create safe and just communities where all people thrive.

What is Gender-Based Violence

Any form of violence that is rooted in rigid gender roles that reinforce existing power imbalances between men and women.

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OUR IMPACT

- **We build** *the capacity of our member programs to provide quality services, utilize best practices, and engage in policy advocacy and social change activities.*
- **We connect** *providers from diverse fields in order to provide more comprehensive and responsive services to survivors of violence and abuse. We connect our members and efforts to end gender-based violence with other efforts that promote gender, racial, economic, and social justice.*
- **We lead** on *policy and systems change efforts that improve responses to gender-based violence and promote safe, just communities for all, primarily at the city and county level.*

Trauma and Behavioral Health

Civil Legal System

Housing and Homelessness

Violence Prevention & Transformative Justice

Policy and Budget Advocacy

Training and Education

CEGV Member Programs

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Atlantic Street Center

ACRS

API Chaya

Aurora Commons

Chief Seattle Club

CONSEJO Counseling and Referral Service

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UW Medicine
HARBORVIEW MEDICAL CENTER
HARBORVIEW ABUSE & TRAUMA CENTER

ELAP

GENDER JUSTICE LEAGUE

INTERIM CDA

JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE

King County Sexual Assault Resource Center

LCYC
Legal Counsel for Youth and Children

LIFEWIRE

MOTHER NATION

MULTI COMMUNITIES

New Beginnings
ENDING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Northwest Justice Project

OPS
Organization for Prostitution Survivors

Northwest IMMIGRANT RIGHTS Project

ReWA
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Sexual Violence LAW CENTER

Seattle Indian Health Board
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Pair & Share Activity:

What is a resource that your program or organization offers that you're particularly proud of?

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Lay of the Land:

Intersection of Homelessness & Gender-Based Violence

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Group Activity & Discussion :

What do GBV advocates want homelessness service providers to know?

What do homelessness service providers want GBV advocates to know?

What's Next: Connection & Resistance

Using advocacy skills to respond and assert agency/self-determination

Key Terms & Assertions

SURVIVOR refers to people who have experienced abuse, exploitation, and coercion. The term *survivor* is being used over “crime victim” in order to convey the agency, and creative responses of the person(s) experiencing harm. It is also used to include forms of harm that are not recognized within legal categories of “crime”.

PATRIARCHY reinforces and maintains the hierarchy of gender and power. Maintaining the hierarchy of gender and power is at the root of gender-based violence.

The anti-violence field needs to expand/build a **ROBUST ANALYSIS OF GENDER AND POWER** deeply informed by patriarchy.

Power Over | Tactics Across Scale

collective/societal

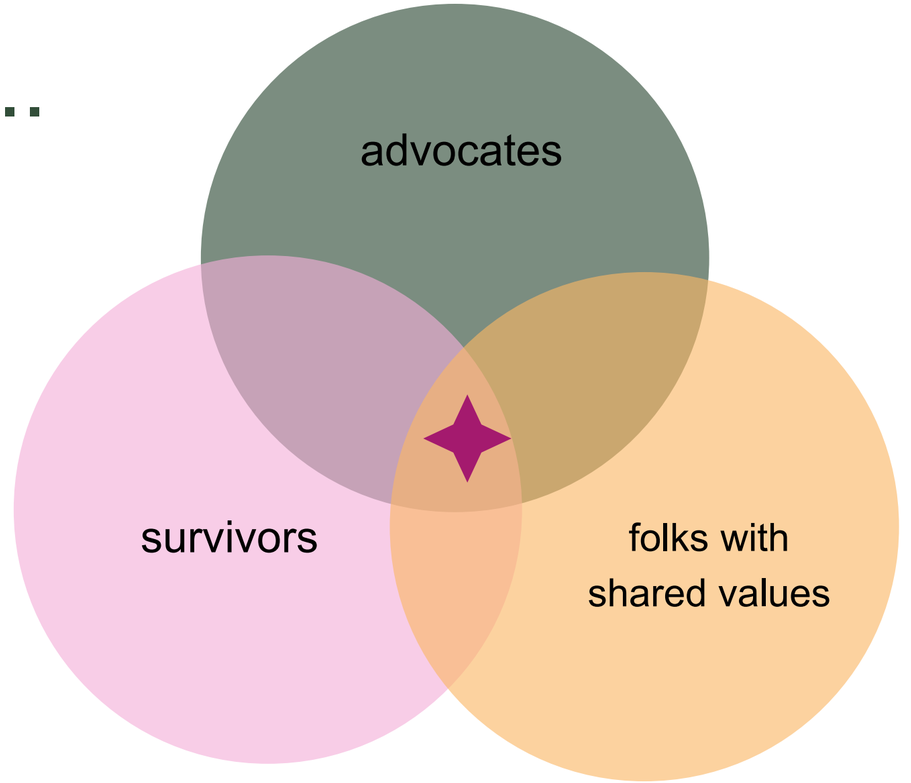
individual/interpersonal

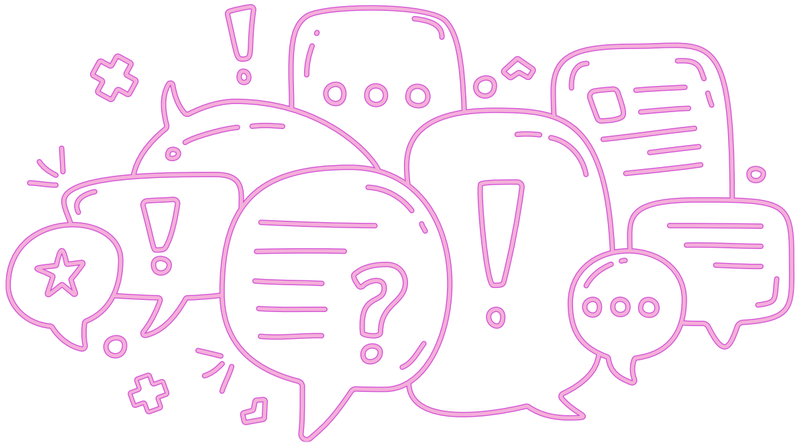
We are witnessing monumental abuses of power at the highest levels of government. The core values that hold up our work to end gender-based violence are under threat.

AND

We already have the skills, tools, and expertise to hold onto ourselves & resist.

The moment we're in...





What are long-term impacts of abuse?

Things that can be hard to shake long after the abuse has ended…

Impact & Antidotes

- Powerlessness
- Fear & hyper-vigilance
- Minimizing & denying
- Questioning sense of self & gaslighting
- Loss of identity/worthlessness
- How did I get here/why did this happen to me?
- Isolation
- Shame & guilt

- Honoring agency
- Building your choices, no matter how big or small
- What is yours to repair and what's not
- Self-trust
- Reality checks with trusted people
- Support planning-building networks of care
- Naming what happened, facing it, acknowledging the harm, grieving
- Planning and planning some more…
- Risk analysis
- Worst case scenario planning
- Role playing how to set boundaries, how to say no, how to have conflict etc… we get good at what we practice
- Reminders about the conditions that undergird individual experiences

Subjects & Objects

Surviving” is all the ways people resist objectification and abuse.

“safety” is not the anti-dote to abuse.

Self-determination is.

Self-Determination & Safety

Promoting self-determination is the primary obligation of advocacy.

Instead of a product of safety, self-determination is a necessary pre-condition to creating sustainable, authentic safety in one's life.

Self-determination is the MEANS, Safety and empowerment are the ENDS.

Agency

- A person in charge of herself.
- Is the “subject” of their own life.
- Can act, make choices, reflect & act again.
- Knows that what she does matters.
- Always has choices.
- Can be accountable for their actions.

Every survivor faces unique risks and safety concerns as they resist abuse.

So too are we as individuals, as a movement and as individual organizations, facing unique risks and safety concerns right now.

What survivors do matters

What communities targeted by oppression do matters

Putting it All Together: Self-Determination & Advocacy

- Advocates play a vital role in this moment
- We have many skills & tools to assert our own agency
- It will take all of us, working together, in ever widening coalitions
- Our lens on this work, helps us build power together

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Budget Advocacy

- Overview of City & County Budgets
- Priority Areas for S/KC Coalition on Homelessness
- Opportunities to Speak Up & Engage

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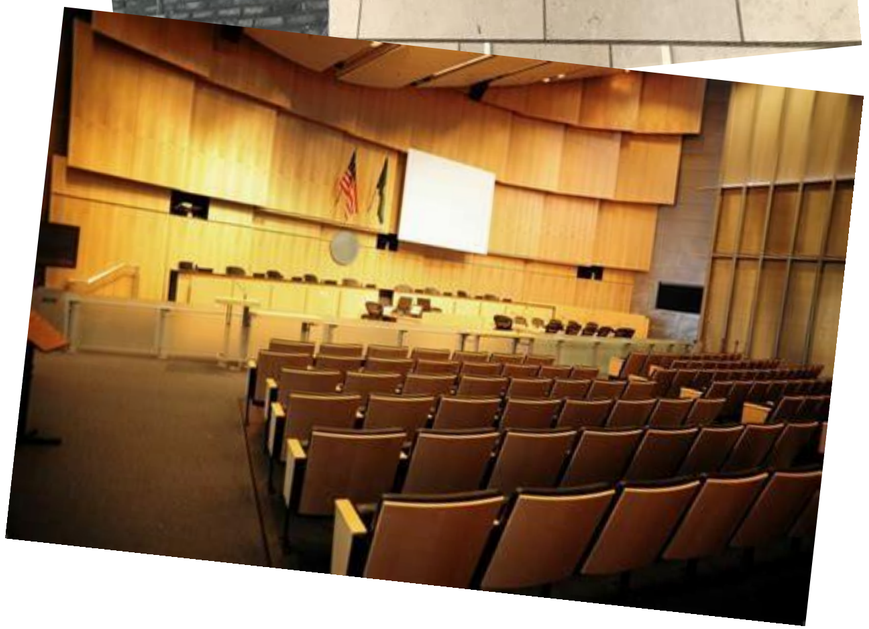
City Budget | Important Dates:

- Election Day: November 4th
- Public Hearing: November 6th
  - 1pm: Remote
  - 5pm: In-Person at City Hall
- Committee Vote on Budget: November 14th @ 9:30am

CEGV Budget Priorities:

- $1M in ongoing funds for gender-based violence programs | HSD-062-A
- $1.2M in one-time funds for survivors of commercial sexual exploitation | HSD-064-A



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Stay Up-to-Date with Our Public Policy Efforts!

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Voting Rights

- What's on Your Ballot
- Coalition Endorsements for Ballot Initiatives
- Timeline
- Opportunities to Engage

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Seattle Shield Initiative:

The Seattle Shield Initiative was passed by the Seattle City Council in August and is now on the November ballot for a vote.

This proposal is a progressive restructuring of the B&O Tax and is a step in the right direction towards progressive revenue.

The Coalition supports the Seattle Shield Initiative because it offers additional revenue dedicated to backfilling essential human services such as housing vouchers and shelter, food and nutrition access, services for survivors of gender-based violence, and more.

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CEGV Announcements & Upcoming Events:

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