



KWRCC March Newsletter

KODIAK WOMEN'S RESOURCE & CRISIS CENTER

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KODIAK CHOOSES RESPECT

In December of 2009, former Governor Sean Parnell pledged that Alaska would take every step necessary to stop the epidemic of domestic violence, sexual assault, and child sexual abuse in Alaska, and began his statewide "Choose Respect Initiative."

Since then, we have witnessed more and more Alaskans finding the courage to speak, and the strength to act. Alaska started with 18 partner communities. By March of 2014, more than 170 Alaska communities participated in Choose Respect marches, rallies, and community events.

Kodiak took a collaborative approach to former Gov. Parnell's initiative on Ending Domestic Violence. Kodiak Area Native Association (KANA), Kodiak Women's Resource and Crisis Center (KWRCC), and Providence Kodiak Counseling Center (PKICC) came together in a community outreach campaign that endeavored to reach out to community members to get involved and build awareness and personal ownership in our pledge to make Kodiak a safer community by speaking out against violence in its many forms.

Kodiak Chooses Respect was formed in 2009 and our first March took place March of 2010. Our numbers have grown, and today we are joined by Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak, KANA, Kodiak Police Dept., Kodiak Island Borough School District as well as various other church members, clubs, organizations, local government and citizens who come together each year to structure, contribute, and participate in this annual event.

Together, we are sending messages of hope and healing to the many who have suffered from crimes of violence and to help engage our Kodiak Community in effective strategies to prevent violence now and in the future. Please come and add your voice to this worthy endeavor and help us send our message of hope, that here in our home community, Kodiak Chooses Respect.

Rebecca Shields
KWRCC Executive Director

Upcoming Events

MARCH

- [Choose Respect Campaign](#)
- [Women's History Month](#)
- **Filipino Magkaisa Sa Bagsulong Meeting (Filipino Women's Group)**
7-8pm Tuesday, Mar. 3rd
At KWRCC, 418 Hillside Drive
- **Soluciones Meeting (Hispanic Women's Group)**
7-8pm Tuesday, Mar. 10th
At KWRCC, 418 Hillside Drive
- **KWRCC Advocacy Classes**
10am-3pm, Saturdays
Mar. 21st – Apr. 11th
At KWRCC, 418 Hillside Drive
- **Choose Respect March**
11:30am, Wednesday, Mar. 25th
Beginning at Kodiak High School
Ending at Sun'aq Bingo Hall
- [KMXT Community Calendar](#)

Upcoming Training Opportunity

Twice a year, KWRCC, provides Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Advocacy Training. Our Spring Advocacy Course will be:

10am – 3pm, Saturdays
March 21st through April 11th
At KWRCC, 418 Hillside Drive

Both the Beginning Advocacy Course (Fall) and the Advanced Advocacy Course (Spring) are worth one (1) college credit. To enroll please contact Kodiak College.

In the Advanced Advocacy Course, some of the topics covered will be: Safety Planning, Restraining Orders, Relationship Assessments, Legal Advocacy, and Trauma of Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault.

Questions or more information, please contact:

Amber Frederick or Ellamy Tiller

KWRCC Outreach Advocates

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2020 PFD Applications

When applying for the 2020 Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend (PFD), please consider a donation to KWRCC through "Pick. Click. Give." Donations can be made in increments of \$25 up to the total amount of the individual PFD check.

Every year we help victims and their children flee Domestic Violence and/or Sexual Assault not only in Kodiak, but also from our sister communities in Akhiok, Chiniak, Karluk, Larsen Bay, Old Harbor, Ouzinkie, and Port Lions.

For more information please visit:

<http://www.pickclickgive.org/>



Qik'rtarmiu at Ling'atartukut *Island people, we are respectful.*

February was Teen Dating Awareness month. Our Outreach team was invited to KHS and KMS health classes to teach about the dynamics of healthy and unhealthy relationships, and what students can do to support their friends if they are concerned about unhealthy or abusive relationships.

We are very excited to continue working with KIBSD to include all middle and high school students in our annual Choose Respect March. We are hoping to see a strong show of support from community members to help Kodiak kids see that our community stands against domestic and sexual violence. Choose Respect marches will be held island-wide throughout many of our Villages, as well.

Through generous support from Kodiak Area Native Association, we will be distributing Choose Respect sweatshirts throughout the island, so our community can continue to make a statement in support of our values all year long.

Please join KWRCC, KPD, the Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak, KANA, and KIBSD as we march for respect on Wednesday, March 25th at 11:30 am beginning in the parking lot of Kodiak High School and ending at the Sun'aq Tribal Bingo Hall. Refreshments will be available at the end of the march.

Huge thank you to all our community partners for helping us grow this event!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THIS EVENT!

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**ALASKA MEN CHOOSE
RESPECT**



RESPECT: a feeling of admiring someone or something that is good, valuable, important, etc.: a feeling or understanding that someone or something is important, serious, etc., and should be treated in an appropriate way.



2020 KWRCC MEMBERSHIP FORM

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TODAY'S DATE (MMDDYY): _____

Yes, I want to support KWRCC in their commitment to improve the safety and status of women on Kodiak Island and to assist women and children who are victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.

NAME:			
MAILING ADDRESS:		CITY/STATE/ZIP:	
PHONE:		WORK/CELL:	
EMAIL:			

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS:

- Family: \$50.00 Contributing: \$100.00 Business: \$100.00
 Regular: \$30.00 Senior/Student: \$20.00 Lifetime: \$500.00

** Memberships are valid through the day prior to the Annual Membership Meeting.
If the membership fee is a financial hardship, please contact KWRCC.*

I AM INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING AT KWRCC. Yes No Maybe, please contact with more info.

IF ANSWERED "YES" OR "MAYBE," PLEASE INDICATE WHAT AREAS YOU MAY BE WILLING TO HELP WITH:

- Crisis Line On-Call Transportation Committee Work
 Newsletter Processing Donations Other
 Building/Office Maintenance Sexual Assault Advocacy _____

I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE FOLLOWING WORKSHOPS OFFERED AT KWRCC: _____

I HAVE THE FOLLOWING AREAS OF EXPERTISE OR INTEREST IN WHICH I COULD CONDUCT A WORKSHOP/TRAINING:

I GIVE PERMISSION FOR MY NAME/BUSINESS TO BE PUBLICLY ACKNOWLEDGED? Yes No

PROVIDED KWRCC SERVICES

- 24-Hour Crisis Line
- Immigrant Women's Program
- Advocacy & Support
- Outreach & Education including all Kodiak Villages
- Shelter for Victims of Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault
- Support Groups for Women in Crisis & Transition
- Community Coordinated Response Team (CCR)
- Sexual Assault Response Team (SART)

~ Member: Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault ~