Resources Related to Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons (MMIP)



In Spring 2021, Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium's Domestic Violence Prevention program hosted a webinar series on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons and human trafficking. This list is a compilation of resources shared by presenters and participants.

To share additional resources, email <u>dvprevention@anthc.org.</u>

Data for Indigenous Justice

Data for Indigenous Justice recently published the report, <u>We Are Calling to You: Alaska's Missing and Murdered Woman and Girls.</u>

MMIWG2S Alaska

MMIWG2S Alaska is a coalition comprised of Alaska Native Heritage Center, Alaska Native Women's Resource Center, Data for Indigenous Justice, Native Peoples Action and Native Movement. This is a collective space on the Indigenous-led work being done in Alaska, which addresses MMIWG2 from a place of healing and demands justice on all fronts.

Alaska Bill HB 5

<u>Alaska Bill HB 5</u> affects the legal definition of consent. "An Act relating to sexual abuse of a minor; relating to sexual assault; relating to the code of military justice; relating to consent; relating to the testing of sexual assault examination kits; and providing for an effective date."

Alaska Office of Victim's Rights

The Office Of Victims' Rights is an agency of the Alaska Legislature that provides free legal services to victims of crime to help them obtain the rights they are guaranteed under the Alaska constitution and statutes with regard to their contacts with police, prosecutors, judges and other criminal justice agencies in this state, as well as to advance and protect those victim rights in court when necessary and authorized by law.

Alaska Department of Justice

Alaska Department of Justice <u>Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons Coordinator</u> Ingrid Cumberlidge gathers reliable data to identify MMIP cases connected to Alaska; conducts outreach with tribal communities to assist in the creation and implementation of community action plans; coordinates with tribal, local, state and federal law enforcement in the development of protocols and procedures for responding to and addressing MMIP cases; and promotes improved data collection and analyses throughout Alaska.

Alaska Native Justice Center

The <u>Alaska Native Justice Center</u> (ANJC) services include education, restorative justice, victim advocacy and legal support and representation. They also serve Alaska Tribes through legal representation in Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) matters and training and technical assistance for Tribal justice.

Alaska Native Women's Resource Center

<u>Alaska Native Women's Resource Center</u> (AKNWRC) is dedicated to strengthening local, tribal government's responses through community organizing efforts advocating for the safety of women and children in their communities and homes, especially against domestic and sexual abuse and violence. AKNWRC is working on a MMIWG Toolkit – check their website for updates.

Choosing Our Roots

<u>Choosing Our Roots</u> assists queer youth and young adults, ages 13 to 24, by building supportive, long-term relationships with volunteer Host Home families and community members. In addition to providing safe homes and bringing together new families, COR coordinates with community partners to provide wrap-around services and build a network of support for its participants.

Email <u>audre@choosingourroots.org</u> and <u>julia@choosingourroots.org</u> to set up meetings or collaborations to support the LGBTQ+ community.

HEAL Trafficking

<u>Health, Education, Advocacy, Linkage (HEAL) Trafficking</u> is an integrated network of over 3,500 survivors and multidisciplinary professionals in 35 countries dedicated to ending human trafficking and supporting its survivors, from a public health perspective.

Human Trafficking Capacity Building Center

The <u>Human Trafficking Capacity Building Center</u> exists to help organizations and tribes start, sustain, or grow their anti-trafficking work. The Center's free services are intended to provide immediate and sustainable benefits to organizations and Tribal Nations with minimal demands on their time. The Center is a coaching and development hub.

Priceless

<u>Priceless</u> walks with sex trafficking survivors as they build healthy, vibrant, self-sustaining lives. Entry into the Priceless program is almost always through referral. We work closely with the FBI, State Troopers, Anchorage Police Department and Probation Officers, Juvenile detention centers, the prison system, and various shelters.

The Trevor Project

<u>The Trevor Project</u> is the leading national organization providing crisis intervention and suicide prevention services to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer & questioning (LGBTQ) young people under 25.

Related Trainings

Association of Village Council Presidents Healthy Families Workshops

With guidance and support from Elders, the <u>Healthy Families Program</u> provides culturally appropriate services to the <u>AVCP region</u> that promote and support whole health through the sharing, teaching and practice of traditional values.

Doorway to a Sacred Place

A two-day <u>training</u> that incorporates traditional wellness and healing strategies, such as talking and teaching circles, hosted to address traumatic events or critical incidents in rural communities.

Southcentral Foundation's Family Wellness Warriors Initiative

<u>Family Wellness Warriors Initiative</u> (FWWI) seeks to address the devastating problems of domestic violence, abuse and neglect in the Alaska Native community. Its purpose is to equip organizations and individuals to effectively address the spiritual, emotional, mental and physical effects of domestic violence, abuse and neglect.

White Bison

White Bison offers sobriety, recovery, addictions prevention and wellness/Wellbriety learning resources to the Native American/Alaska Native community nationwide, including learning circles specific to MMIP.

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