

Community-Accountability, Restorative and Transformative Justice A few Local and National Organizations

Young Women's Empowerment Project (Chicago)

<http://youarepriceless.org/>

Offers safe, respectful, free-of-judgment spaces for girls and young women impacted by the sex trade and street economies to recognize their goals, dreams and desires. We are a youth leadership organization grounded in harm reduction and social justice organizing by and for girls and young women (ages 12-23).

Community Justice for Youth Initiative (Chicago)

<http://communityjustice4youth.org/>

Builds community capacity to resolve youth conflict through restorative justice training, technical assistance, and advocacy. Offers trainings in Peacemaking Circles and Restorative Justice practices for communities, schools, and other institutions.

Project NIA (Chicago, IL)

<http://www.project-nia.org/>

Helps communities develop support networks for youth who are at risk of or have already been impacted by the juvenile justice system. Through participatory action research, community engagement, education, and capacity-building, Project NIA facilitates community-focused responses to youth violence and crime. Check out the *Something is Wrong Curriculum Guide* for youth that explores a) the roots of violence in their lives; b) the enforcers and victims of violence; c) the effects of violence on both victims and perpetrators; and d) how violence can be minimized through systemic changes.

Young Women's Action Team (Chicago)

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

A youth-led, adult-supported social change project that empowers young women under 21 years old to take action on issues that affect their lives, particularly violence against girls and young women. The YWAT believes that through collective action, consciousness-raising, and organizing we can end violence against girls and young women.

Women and Girls Collective Action Network (WGCAN) and Females United for Action (FUFA) -Chicago

<http://www.womenandgirlscan.org>

A center for consciousness-raising, training, dialogue and action. Check out *Communities Engaged in Resisting Violence* report about community organizing, accountability, harm reduction, and other strategies to end violence. Females United for Action (FUFA), a project of WGCAN, is a Chicago-wide social change group for people who identify as young women and genderqueer youth, with the leadership of youth of color. They are involved in healing, organizing, art/media-making, political education, and leadership/skills-development to end violence against women, genderqueers, and our communities.

Creative Interventions (Oakland, CA)

<http://www.creative-interventions.org/about.html>

Established in 2004, Creative Interventions seeks to shift education and resources back to families and communities. It places knowledge and power within the spaces where violence occurs, making support and safety accessible, stopping violence at early and multiple points of abuse, and creating possibilities for once abusive individuals and communities to evolve towards healthy change and transformation.

StoryTelling and Organizing Project (Oakland, CA)

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

The StoryTelling & Organizing Project (STOP) is a community project collecting and sharing stories about everyday people taking action to end interpersonal violence. They share stories of community-based or collective actions — involving family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, community members -- to stop, address or prevent interpersonal violence. They have collected and have available through their website a variety of stories--some are small things, some spontaneous, and some are big or involve lots of planning and lots of people.

Communités United Against Violence (San Francisco, CA)

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

The CUAV mission is to prevent and respond to violence against and within our diverse LGBTQQ communities. Project includes peer-based counseling, direct assistance, education and outreach, grassroots organizing, and policy advocacy. CUAV works to build our communities' capacity to respond to, heal from, and prevent all forms of violence.

SOS - Safe Outside the System [of The Audre Lorde Project (Brooklyn, NY)]

<http://alp.org/community/sos>

The Safe OUTSide the System (SOS) Collective works to challenge violence that affects LGBTSTGNC people of color. We are guided by the belief that strategies that increase the police presence and the criminalization of our communities do not create safety. Therefore we utilize strategies of community accountability to challenge violence. The Audre Lorde Project is a Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Two Spirit, Trans and Gender Non Conforming People of Color center for community organizing, focusing on the New York City area.

Generation FIVE

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

Their mission is to end the sexual abuse of children within five generations. Through survivor leadership, community organizing, and public action, generation FIVE works to interrupt and mend the intergenerational impact of child sexual abuse on individuals, families, and communities. They believe that meaningful community response is the key to effective prevention.