

UNITY MEETING INCREASING THE SAFETY OF ALASKA NATIVE WOMEN

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Nana Building
Anchorage, Alaska



National Indigenous Women's Resource Center
National Resource Center to Enhance Safety of Native Women and their Children

**Alaska Native Women's
Resource Center**

TRADITIONAL OPENING & WELCOME



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AKNWRC NOW SERVING AS ALASKA NATIVE TRIBAL RESOURCE CENTER ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (ANTRC)

- **2017-2018 TIMELINE**

1. Policy Development & Systems Advocacy/Engagement
 2. Technical assistance & Training
 3. Public Awareness/Resource Development
 4. Research and Knowledge Development

ANTRC 2017-2018 ACTIVITIES

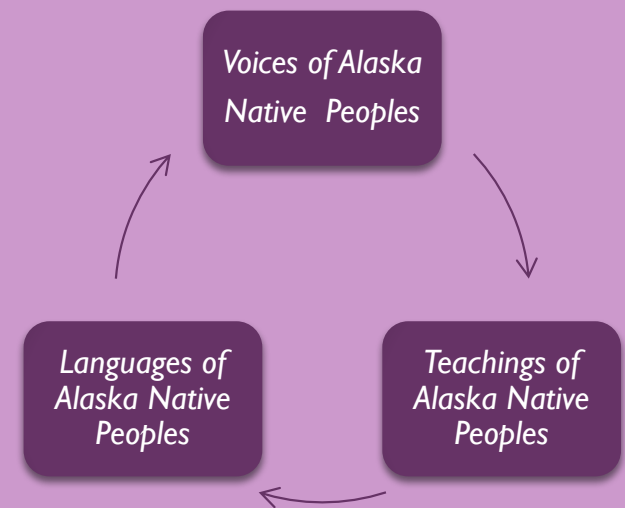
- 4 on site village engagement sessions
 - 3 Regional trainings
 - Research roundtable
 - Annual Unity Mtg. & AFN
 - NCAI 3x/year, incl. Hill Briefing
- Women Are Sacred June 2018 (pg. 44)
- Resource material development, incl.
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- Village engagement sessions –
 - September 14-15, 2017 – Kotzebue, AK for Nana Region
 - Sept. 18-19, 2017 – Kake, AK



- Sept. 25-26, 2017 – Juneau, AK for CCTHITA
- Emmonak and Anvik follow up sessions to be scheduled
- Curriculum Part I sessions in Akiak and Hydaburg/POW tentatively April 2018
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Legislative & Policy Updates, incl. appropriations –

❖ Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)

(<http://www.niwrc.org/resources/vawa-fact-sheet>)

❖ Family Violence Prevention & Services Act (FVPSA)

(<http://www.niwrc.org/resources/fvpsa-fact-sheet>)

❖ Victims of Crime Act (VOCA)

(<http://www.niwrc.org/resources/voca-fact-sheet>)

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- Government-to-government Consultations & Listening Sessions –
 - Oct. 3-4 Annual VAW (AZ)



- 2 Listening Sessions –
 - NCAI Annual (WI) Oct. 2017
 - CTAS and Indian Justice Conference (CA) Dec. 6, 2017
- Consultation NCAI Executive (DC) Feb. 15, 2018
- Consultation Requirement of all states under VAWA STOP VAW Formula Program to develop 3-year state implementation plan (Alaska Council on DV & SA)

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1) YUP'IK WOMEN'S COALITION – LYNN HOOTCH

Video of April 2017 Sexual Assault Conference

2) HEALING NATIVE HEARTS COALITION – SHIRLEY MOSES

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MAY 5, 2018 – 2nd NATIONAL DAY OF AWARENESS FOR MISSING & MURDERED NATIVE WOMEN

Alaska Natives are 16% of the population

Alaska Natives are 28% of the murder victims

How do we end the silence surrounding victims?

How can we build a groundswell?

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Support a National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Native Women and Girls. Add your organization's name at: <http://bit.ly/2bjDfa1>

#MMIWG ONLINE RESOURCES

- NIWRC #MMIW Community Advocacy Toolkit: *Restoration*, June 2017:
<http://www.niwrc.org/files/Restoration-VI4.2.pdf>
- NIWRC, ILRC and AKNWRC Feb. 2017 Hill Briefing:
<https://goo.gl/5bqA7B>
- National Day of Awareness MMIW, Senate Resolution (S. Res. 60): <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-resolution/60/text?q=%7B%22search%22%3A%5B%22sres60%22%5D%7D&r=1>
- National Congress of American Indians Oct. 2016 Resolution:
http://www.ncai.org/attachments/Resolution_QhZqbxotTvDxsknKMVORfimFgceBPsTDOrNdEXtOPcYIeBIPZbg_PHX-16-077%20final.pdf

INTERNATIONAL ADVOCACY EFFORTS - UNITED NATIONS CHRISTOPHER FOLEY

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EXPERT MECHANISM ON THE RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

- A special procedure of the Human Rights Council
- Meets in Geneva each July for one week
- Original mandate largely limited to preparing reports at the request of the HRC
- Seven independent expert members (previously five)
- One from each of the seven indigenous sociocultural regions (North America is one)
- Country visits permitted

EMRIP AMENDED MANDATE

- **Interpret the Declaration:** Provide HRC with “expertise and advice on the rights of indigenous peoples as set out” in Declaration
- **Monitor:**
 - Prepare an annual study on rights of IPs worldwide, focusing on 1 or more articles of the Declaration
 - Identify, disseminate and promote “good practices and lessons learned.”
 - Report *at least* once a year to the HRC on its work and keep the Council fully informed of developments on the rights of indigenous peoples.
 - “Within its mandate, the Expert Mechanism may seek and receive information from all relevant sources.”
- **Implement:** “Upon request, assist Member States and/or indigenous peoples in identifying the need for and providing technical advice regarding the development of domestic legislation and policies relating to the rights of indigenous peoples.”

UN COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (2017)

Parallel Event 2017: Ending Violence Against Indigenous Women as a Step Towards Empowerment



Side Event 2017



UN COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

- The Commission is a functional commission of ECOSOC; made up of 45 member states
- Global policymaking body dedicated to the promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of women
- March 12-23, 2018 -- 62nd Session in New York
- Priority Theme: Challenges and opportunities in achieving gender equality and the empowerment of rural women and girls
- Registration deadline: January 2018 (Date TBD)

Yuut Kenkutellriit Ikayutellartut

*people who love each other
take care of each other*



We know our community and can create a safer future for our people. Please call (907) 949-1434 if you would like to discuss domestic violence in the Village of Emmonak.

Woosh Yáa Awooné Yak'éi!

Respect for One Another is Good



We know our community and can create a safer future for our people. Please call (907) 785-6471 ext. 115 if you would like to discuss domestic violence in the Village of Kake.

QUESTIONS COMMENTS

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Take Care of Yourself

We know our community and can create a safer future for our people. Please call (907) 663-6322 or (907) 663-6388 if you would like to discuss domestic violence in the Village of Anvik.

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Working together to make our lives better

What: Nana Regional
When: April 20-21, 2016
Where: Nullagvik Hotel, Kotzebue, AK
Who: Advocates, law enforcement, tribal leaders, service providers & community activists

For more information call:
(907) 442-7031

Join us to discuss how we as villages in the Nana Region can create a response to domestic violence and sexual assault. We understand our communities and can create a safer future for our peoples.

Everyone is welcome!

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NEXT STEPS

- What do Alaska tribal governments currently have to respond to violence against women?
- What changes do Alaska tribal governments need in what currently exists to respond?
 - Restoration Editor's Note pages 3-4

THANK YOU



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