

JUNE 2025



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



United Way NNY

Food Drive

A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: AMY GRANT-QUONCE

June is designated as pride month, and it is celebrated worldwide.

The first pride marches date back to the 1970s. Pride month promotes visibility and acceptance of the LGBTQ+ community and typically involves colorful festivals and parades.

As a victim services agency, we recognize that LGBTQ+ individuals may face unique barriers to accessing resources and services. LGBTQ+ individuals experience domestic violence at rates equal to, or even higher, than their straight peers. Yet, research shows, that only one in five survivors of same-gender sexual assault and/or domestic violence receive services. LGBTQ+ survivors can face isolation, lack of support, fear, safety concerns and even denial for essential services. 46% of transgender or gender non-conforming survivors felt uncomfortable seeking help from law enforcement and 28% have postponed victim services due to fears of discrimination. (Statistics from NYSCADV.org)

At the Victims Assistance Center all are welcome and we encourage ALL victims and ALL survivors to reach out if you need help, support, or just someone to talk to.

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BEHIND THE MISSION



S.A.N.E. PROGRAM

The Victim's Assistance Center Sexual Assault Forensic Nursing Examination Program, also known as the SANE program, was started due to the lack of sexual violence medical programs in our local community.

Before the VAC SANE program was off the ground, survivors of sexual assault or abuse had to be transported or transferred to Syracuse, adding unneeded stress to our survivors and their families during their time of crisis. The VAC provides forensic sexual assault exams to those in need in Jefferson and Lewis counties, as well as sexual assault advocacy services for Jefferson County.

All survivors should feel supported during the first step of their healing journey and our VAC SANE Nurses and Advocates ensure the highest quality trauma-informed care to our community.

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



Ann



Ann is a vital part of our Child Advocacy Center of Northern New York – St. Lawrence County Office, serving as our dedicated Child Therapist (LMHC). With compassion and expertise, Ann provides hope, healing, and understanding to children who have experienced abuse, sexual assault, or neglect. Her work helps young survivors begin their journey toward recovery in a safe and supportive environment.

WE'RE HIRING!

Apply Now



CAC Intake Advocate
CAC Forensic Interviewer
Crisis Services Advocate(s)

Opening
Closed
Doors

BRINGING DOMESTIC CRIMES TO LIGHT

SEPTEMBER 23, 2025

Location: Hilton Garden Inn, Watertown NY
Full Day of Speakers, Lunch and Refreshments Provided
\$45 per person
Registration Details Coming Soon!



Organized by the Victims Assistance Center's Child Advocacy Center





LIGHT UP THE



Night

AGAINST CHILD ABUSE

Friday, September 12

FUN RUN/WALK

REGISTRATION & FUN STARTS AT 6:30PM
JEFFERSON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

BENEFITING THE CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER OF NNY
A PROGRAM OF THE VICTIMS ASSISTANCE CENTER

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September 12th



PRIDE MONTH

JUNE 2025



SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR 4TH ANNUAL

Witches Gala

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2025
1000 ISLANDS HARBOR HOTEL,
CLAYTON NY

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