



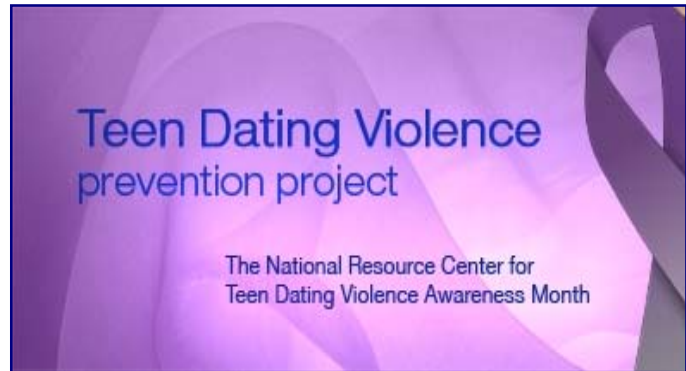
## E NEWSLETTER December/January 2010

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### *February is National Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month*

TDVAM brings national focus to the issue of teen dating violence, highlights the need to educate our youth about healthy relationships, raises awareness among those who care for them and provides communities with a critical opportunity to work together to prevent this devastating cycle of abuse.



### **Teen Dating Violence Prevention Project**


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

### Highlighted resources:

- **American Bar Association National Teen Dating Violence Prevention Initiative**  
Featuring the Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Toolkit.  
<http://www.abanet.org/publiced/teendating.shtml>
- **Break the Cycle: Empowering Youth to End Domestic Violence**  
Striving to engage, educate and empower youth to build lives and communities free from domestic violence. See [thesafespace.org](http://thesafespace.org) for comprehensive teen-focused resources.  
<http://www.breakthecycle.org/>
- **Choose Respect**  
Helping adolescents form healthy relationships to prevent dating abuse before it starts.  
<http://www.chooserespect.org/>
- **Love Is Respect: National Teen Dating Abuse Helpline**  
Providing resources for teens, parents, friends and family, Peer Advocates, government officials, law enforcement officials and the general public.  
<http://www.loveisrespect.org/>
- **Start Strong: Building Healthy Teen Relationships**  
Targeting 11- to- 14-year-olds and rallying entire communities to promote healthy relationships as the way to prevent teen dating violence and abuse.  
<http://www.startstrongteens.org/>
- **A Thin Line**  
Empowering youth to stop the spread of digital abuse.  
<http://www.athinline.org/>
- **VAWnet Special Collection: Preventing and Responding to Teen Dating Violence**  
Emphasizing collaborative and multilevel approaches to the prevention of and response to teen dating violence.  
[http://new.vawnet.org/category/index\\_pages.php?category\\_id=995](http://new.vawnet.org/category/index_pages.php?category_id=995)

 *2010 Sexual Assault Awareness Month Campaign*

The National Sexual Violence Resource Center is excited to announce new resources for the 2010 SAAM campaign. This year's theme is "**Prevent Sexual Violence...on our campuses.**" A variety of materials and promotional products are available at <http://www.nsvrc.org/saam> to assist in planning SAAM activities for April 2010.

 *Related Additions to the VAWnet General Collection*

**Expect Respect Program Overview: A School-Based Program for Preventing Teen Dating Violence and Promoting Safe and Healthy Relationships** by Barbara Ball and Barri Rosenbluth for SafePlace (2008)

This document reviews this nationally recognized, school-based program for preventing teen dating violence and promoting safe and healthy relationships in middle and high school.

<http://www.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=2279>

**2009 AP-MTV Digital Abuse Study Executive Summary** by Janice Gatti for MTV & Associated Press (2009)

This study provides an in-depth look at the prevalence of digital abuse among young people.

<http://www.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=2276>

**Moving From Them to Us: Challenges in Reframing Violence Among Youth** by Prevention Institute (October 2009)

This paper explores how youth and violence have been framed in the media, how the issue of race complicates depictions of youth and violence, and how public attitudes about government can inhibit public support for strategies to effectively prevent violence.

<http://www.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=2264>

**Respectful Relationships Education: Violence prevention and respectful relationships education in Victorian secondary schools** by Michael Flood, Lara Fergus and Melanie Heenan for the State of Victoria Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (November 2009)


The purpose of this report is to identify and explore best practice in violence prevention, intervention and respectful relationships education in schools in Victoria and elsewhere.

<http://www.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=2277>

 *New Special Collection*

**Resources Addressing the Perpetration of Sexual Violence** (November 2009) provides resources that address the topics of sex offender risk, assessment, management, treatment, and supervision. In addition, there is a special focus on the policies that have been created in the past decade to help keep our communities safer.

[http://new.vawnet.org/category/index\\_pages.php?category\\_id=996](http://new.vawnet.org/category/index_pages.php?category_id=996)

 *Prevention Connection Web Conference*

**A New *That's Not Cool* Campaign Tools Website for Local Teen Dating Abuse Prevention Efforts** - January 27, 4:30pm Eastern, 1:30pm Pacific

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

❄ *Updated NRCDV Video Resource List*

This list is designed to assist advocates and others working to end domestic violence in selecting videos to use in educational programming and service provision. Recently added videos from Women Make Movies, Inc. are included below.

- **Finding Dawn** "This engrossing film illustrates the deep historical, social and economic factors that contribute to the epidemic of violence against Aboriginal women. It highlights the disturbing, world-wide culture of impunity that allows murders of women -- especially those who are poor, indigenous, or sex workers -- to go unsolved and unpunished."
- **The Greatest Silence: Rape in the Congo** "This extraordinary film, shot in the war zones of the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), shatters the silence that surrounds the use of sexual violence as a weapon of conflict."
- **Rough Aunties** "Fearless, feisty and resolute, the 'Rough Aunties' are a remarkable group of women unwavering in their stand to protect and care for the abused, neglected and forgotten children of Durban, South Africa."
- **Sin by Silence** "From behind prison walls, SIN BY SILENCE reveals the lives of extraordinary women who advocate for a future free from domestic violence."

<http://www.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1034>

❄ *Latest Funding Alert*

**Volume 5, Issue 4: January 14, 2010** by the National Resource Center on Domestic Violence & National Sexual Violence Resource Center (2010)

Government funding, private grants and fellowships are included in this issue.

[http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=2281&category\\_id=5](http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=2281&category_id=5)

❄ *Thanks for your support!*

Please read this letter of thanks and announcement of continuation funding from CDC for VAWnet, Prevention Connection, and NSVRC.

[http://new.vawnet.org/Assoc\\_Files\\_VAWnet/CDCProjectsAnnouncement-11-09.pdf](http://new.vawnet.org/Assoc_Files_VAWnet/CDCProjectsAnnouncement-11-09.pdf)

❄ *Applied Research Documents*

VAWnet offers more than 65 Applied Research documents on a variety of topics of consequence to advocates and others working to end violence against women. Recently posted papers include *Economic Stress and Domestic Violence* and *Understanding National Rape Statistics*.

[http://new.vawnet.org/category/index\\_pages.php?category\\_id=477](http://new.vawnet.org/category/index_pages.php?category_id=477)



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