



Victim Rights Law Center

January Newsletter

Dear Friends,

As we begin 2024 and think about the impact we want to make this year, we also reflect on our efforts to meet survivors' needs in 2023.

In 2023, VRLC:

- Received over 1,300 calls on our intake line from survivors in need of legal help
- Supported survivors with over 1,600 legal issues
- Trained just over 4,000 attorneys, advocates, Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners, and Title IX administrators nationwide
- Launched **Stand Up, Speak Up - A VRLC blog** and
- Hosted our largest National Sexual Violence Law Conference ever!

Every member of VRLC's extraordinary team contributes to the collective impact we make. We have big plans for the year ahead – advocating for survivors, deepening relationships with our community, and building national capacity for anti-sexual violence work. We look forward to partnering with you throughout the year!

In solidarity,

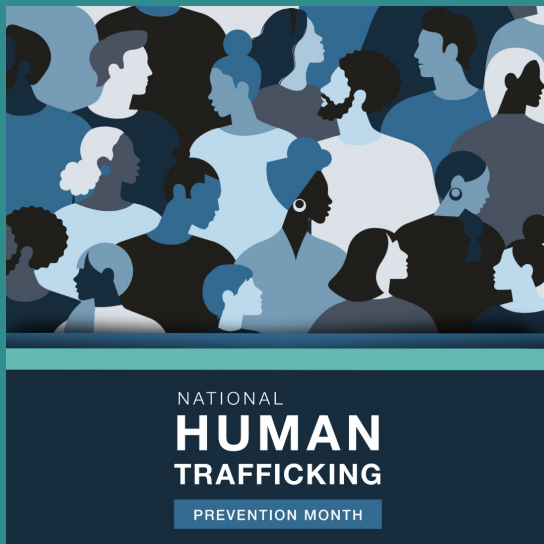
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IN THE NEWS

From the Blog: Human Trafficking Awareness



In recognition of January's Human Trafficking Prevention Month, Alexia Tomlinson, VRLC Training and Technical Assistance team Staff Attorney, who has past experience representing trafficking survivors, shares her knowledge in a multi-part blog series. Her latest entry explores trafficking survivor support needs when extricating themselves from "the life," and touches on how these needs compare with those of other sexual assault survivors. Check out this most recent post, others in the series and

more in Stand Up, Speak Up - a VRLC blog [here](#).

VRLC Attorney Podcasting for Good

Listen up! VRLC Senior Attorney Nora Grais-Clements recently joined the [Break into Law](#)

School podcast for discussion about the importance of using a law degree for positive change. In addition to sharing VRLC mission, services and internship opportunities, Nora discusses the rewards of both helping provide clients with opportunities to advocate for themselves and mentoring law students in this same work. Check out the full episode on Apple Podcasts, Spotify or listen online [here](#).

EPISODE 121

Using Your Law Degree For Good with Victim Rights Law Center

featuring Nora Grais-Clements and LoVetta Jenkins



 Break Into Law School

DIRECT SERVICES

Training with Pathways for Change



We're sending a warm thank you and shout out to our friends at [Pathways for Change](#). Sabrina Glover, Assistant Director of Deaf Services, recently facilitated a training for our Massachusetts direct services staff focused on increasing access to services for Deaf survivors.

NATIONAL TRAINING & TA

OVW-Funded Attorney Opportunity

Are you an OVW-Funded Attorney? Join our January 30th training and explore



practical strategies and concrete tools to advocate for clients through campus adjudication processes with education law expert and VRLC Deputy Director Amanda Walsh. This webinar is uniquely tailored for attorneys to help navigate the complex and changing legal landscape impacting gender-based violence cases in higher education, including Title IX, the Clery Act, and a myriad of intersecting state laws. Participants will also be invited to join Amanda for an extended Q&A and discussion session the

Thursday following the session. Register [here](#).

MISC/FUN NEWS

VRLC Staffer Advocates in Antarctica



Hello from Antarctica! Check out this great shot of Carol Schrader, an attorney in VRLC's Portland, Oregon office. Carol took a short leave to work as a victim advocate in Antarctica. We are inspired by her exciting journey and can't wait to have her back in March!

Since 2003, the Victim Rights Law Center has worked to provide survivors with free legal services to help restore their lives and promote a national movement seeking justice for rape and sexual assault survivors. Learn more about our efforts [here](#).

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