#### **RESTORATIVE JUSTICE WEEK**

Making Things Right

#### Bermuda 2012

**Restorative Justice Week: Making Things Right** is a collaborative effort to raise awareness in Bermuda of the Restorative Justice movement in order to educate and inspire our community to consider alternative, less punitive ways we can approach crime and other social issues. This includes education around what Restorative Justice means, highlighting instances of restorative justice work already in practice as well as a variety of activities and trainings for the community to engage in to better understand the movement.

'T'm not saying I'm gonna change the world, but I guarantee that I will spark the brain that will change the world." Tupac Shakur

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# **Restorative Justice Week Activities**

**Restorative Practices in Schools: a public forum** featuring 2 short films: *The Transformation of West Philadelphia High School* (the International Institute of Restorative Practices) and *Peer Mediation: a Bermudian Simulation* (the Coalition for the Protection of Children) followed by a facilitated discussion including representatives from the Bermuda Police, the Ministry of Education and the Coalition for the Protection of Children. **RSVP requested Monday November 26<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm-6:30pm** 

Bermuda Youth Counseling Services Boardroom, Milner Place, 42 Victoria Street, Hamilton

**Introductory Seminar on the Principles of Restorative Justice** presented by the Department of Court Services' Lashona Smith with special presentation by Magistrate Juan Wolffe on restorative practices in Bermuda's drug court.

Tuesday November 27th6pm-7pmThe Coalition for the Protection of Children, 48 Mount Hill, Pembroke

**Restorative Justice Documentary evening and Circle Discussion** featuring documentary *Bending Bows and Arrows* accompanied by circle discussion facilitated by Bermuda Youth Counseling Services' Jacqui Basden and Lauren Trott.

Thursday November 29th6pm-7:30pmChewstick Lounge, 28 Elliot Street, Hamilton

Church collaboration in conjunction with Prison Fellowship's Week of Prayer for Justice Sunday November  $25^{h}$  to Sunday December  $2^{nd}$ 

Introductory Seminar on "Circles of Support and Accountability" with Director of CoSA,<br/>Ottawa, Susan LoveMonday December 3<sup>rd</sup>RSVP requested<br/>2pm-4:30pmCharities House Boardroom, 25 Point Finger Road, Paget

Panel Presentation and Discussion on Restorative Approaches to Criminal Justice sponsoredby the Women's Resource Center and the Coalition for the Protection of Children.*Tuesday December 4<sup>th</sup>7pm-8:30pm*Charities House Boardroom, 25 Point Finger Road, Paget

Victim Offender Facilitated Dialogue training with Director of Community Justice Initiatives,British Columbia, David Gustafson onTuesday December 5<sup>th</sup>9am - 4pmTuesday December 4<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday December 5<sup>th</sup>9am - 4pmthe Coalition for the Protection of Children, 48 Mount Hill, Pembroke

Please contact <u>Nicola.cpc@logic.bm</u> at the **Coalition for the Protection of Children** or call 295 1150 for further information

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### Victim Offender Facilitated Dialogue 2-Day Advanced Mediation Training

With David Gustafson, MA, RCC

Victim Offender dialogue involves a face-to-face meeting, in the presence of a trained mediator, between the victim of a crime and the person who committed that crime. Crime is personalized as offenders learn the human consequences of their actions, and victims (who may be ignored by the criminal justice system) have the opportunity to speak their minds and their feelings to the one who most ought to hear them, contributing to the healing process of the victim.

**Date:** Tuesday December 4<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday December 5<sup>th</sup> **Time:** 9am - 4pm **Location:** the Coalition for the Protection of Children **Cost:** \$400.00

Registration required. Please contact <u>Nicola.cpc@logic.bm</u> to register, or call 295 1150 This is an advanced mediation training course. Participants must have experience in the criminal justice or conflict resolution field

#### David L. Gustafson, MA, RCC

Dave is a professor at the Simon Fraser University's School of Criminology, is a founding member of the Centre for Restorative Justice, British Columbia and is the Co-Director of Fraser Region Community Justice Initiative (CJI). Dave began CJI, a Victim Offender Reconciliation Program, in 1982 and now specializes in training, program development, conferencing and victim offender mediation across a spectrum of conflicts, from minor schools disputes to serious criminal offences.

Dave lectures and trains in the areas of justice-making theory and restorative practices but his primary focus is facilitating 'therapeutic dialogue' in federal prisons between victims and offenders in criminal cases of severe violence. For a number of years, Dave has been involved in related research through the Leuven Institute for Criminology (LINC) at KUL in Leuven, Belgium. His research interests are in trauma and recovery and the impacts for both trauma survivors and the prisoners responsible for offending against them as each encounters the 'other' through facilitated dialogue. Dave also maintains a part-time private clinical practice, mainly seeing clients referred by area professionals for specific work related to trauma.



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## Introductory Seminar on Circles of Support and Accountability CoSA

#### With Susan Love, Director of CoSA, Ottawa

Sponsored by the Women's Resource Center And The Coalition for the Protection of Children

Circles of Support and Accountability (CoSA) is a community-based reintegration program based on restorative justice principles that assists people, who are deemed at high risk to re-offend, in their effort to re-enter society after a period of incarceration for committing sexual offences. CoSA aims to prevent further victimization through encouraging accountability on the part of the offender, referred to as a Core Member, and supporting him/her to become increasingly responsible and productive. The circle typically includes the Core Member and 3-6 community trained and screened volunteers who work to support the offender on a daily basis for a minimum period of one year.

> Date: Monday December 3rd Time: 2pm-4:30pm Location: Charities House Boardroom, 25 Point Finger Road, Paget Cost: Free

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