



2020 NATIONAL SEXUAL ASSAULT CONFERENCE  
**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

The California Coalition Against Sexual Assault (CALCASA) will host NSAC 2020 in Anaheim, California, from September 2-4, 2020.

The theme of NSAC 2020 is “**Bold Moves: Equity Now**”

The National Sexual Assault Conference (NSAC) brings together over 1700 people who are invested in ending sexual violence. This annual conference provides opportunities to share information and resources, advance learning, develop new skills, and increase our capacity to assert the dignity of all people. NSAC raises the profile of sexual violence as a community issue that requires bold actions in order to change the social inequities that create and perpetuate sexual violence. Social Inequities create disproportionate impacts upheld by systematic, institutional, and interpersonal oppression of which, sexual violence is a result. Together at NSAC, we build strong partnerships and strategies that strengthen our work to end sexual violence.

CALCASA invites you to respond to a Request for Proposal for organizations and individuals interested in leading workshops at NSAC 2020.

For each workshop ONLY ONE (1) presenter will receive:

1. One (1) free conference registration;
2. One (1) night's lodging at the federal or state government rate, if the presenter's office is more than 50 miles from the conference site (per government guidelines);
3. CALCASA will not reimburse for any other expenses incurred by the selected presenter for each workshop.

*If the workshop has multiple presenters, then they must select one (1) individual who will receive the one (1) free conference registration and the one (1) night's lodging, as permitted.*

All proposals must be submitted online by  
**DECEMBER 23, 2019 11:59 pm PST.**

Applicants will receive notification of acceptance status by  
**March 16, 2020**, via email.

## TRACKS

Presentation and workshops will be organized around the following primary tracks:

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| 1. <b>Advocacy and Intervention for Survivors</b> | 7. <b>Immigration</b>                                       |
| 2. <b>Alternative Justice</b>                     | 8. <b>LGBTQ+</b>  |
| 3. <b>Campus</b>                                  | 9. <b>Prevention</b>  |
| 4. <b>Child Sexual Abuse</b>                      | 10. <b>Serving Survivors with Intellectual Disabilities</b> |
| 5. <b>Equity Self-Defense</b>                     | 11. <b>Youth</b>  |
| 6. <b>Faith-Based</b>                             |   |

### ADVOCACY AND INTERVENTION FOR SURVIVORS

Presentation or workshop submissions to the Advocacy and Intervention for Survivors track should describe efforts to provide supportive services and resources to people who have experienced sexual violence and to increase the capacity of the advocates and interventionists who serve them.

### ALTERNATIVE JUSTICE

Presentation or workshop submissions to the Alternative Justice track should describe successful programs that center on transformative justice, restorative justice, and other systems of community accountability in the context of responding to sexual violence and promoting healthy communities. Submissions for this track should identify the needs of communities that have been disproportionately impacted by the criminal and legal systems.

### CAMPUS

Presentation or workshop submissions to the Campus track should describe the methods and approaches that aid campuses as they become part of the solution to end sexual violence. Submissions for this track should also identify the unique dynamics of sexual assault in the campus context.

### CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE

Presentation or workshop submissions to the Child Sexual Abuse track should describe efforts and programs that focus on preventing child sexual abuse and/or protecting child survivors from further abuse and revictimization.

### EQUITY SELF-DEFENSE

Equity Self-Defense foregrounds justice concepts as part of our work, education, and social spaces. It is based on the ideal that when we educate others on how to treat us, and assert our right to safety and security, the more self-assured we become. Using equity and justice framework reduces risk for abuse, assault, and harassment, and moves us from surviving to a thriving quality of life. Presentation or workshop submissions for this workshop series should share how grassroots communities transform their work and personal lives using equity self-defense concepts.

## **FAITH-BASED**

Presentation or workshop submissions to the Faith-Based track should describe transformative practices centered on spirituality that promote healing for survivors and the prevention of sexual violence. Submissions should feature ways that faith-leaders and service organizations are challenging the status quo.

## **IMMIGRATION**

Presentation or workshop submissions to the Immigration track should describe transformative services that provide rapid response to immigration policy changes, feature community collaborations that shift immigration policy, and promote efforts to support survivors.

## **LGBTQ+**

Presentation or workshop submissions to the LGBTQ+ track should describe efforts to transform supportive services and resources that assert the dignity of LGBTQ+ survivors, honor their diverse experiences, and are informed by the different forms of oppression that impact the LGBTQ+ community.

## **PREVENTION**

Presentation or workshop submissions to the Prevention track should describe efforts to engage communities in the primary prevention of sexual assault. Submissions should feature evidence-based or evidence informed work that draws on the best available research or presents current research that can inform the sexual violence prevention practice field. Priority will be given to submissions that:

1. Contribute to understanding of comprehensive approaches with preventive interventions at multiple levels of the social ecological model
2. Emphasize community and societal level strategies
3. Inform the prevention program planning, implementation and evaluation efforts of state recipients from the Rape Prevention and Education program of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, their partners and/or the programs they support
4. Feature emerging topics relevant to the sexual violence prevention research and/or practice field
5. Include programs or topics related to underserved communities

## **SERVING SURVIVORS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES**

Presentation or workshop submissions to the Serving Survivors with Intellectual Disabilities track should feature measures that enhance the capacity to serve survivors with intellectual disabilities and measure their effectiveness. Submissions should demonstrate practices that: remove barriers for survivors with intellectual disabilities, recognize the spectrum of people who are at elevated risk of harm, and center on people with intellectual disabilities in prevention efforts.

## **YOUTH**

Presentation or workshop submissions to the Youth track should illustrate and address the factors that increase the risk of sexual violence victimization for youth. Submissions should present barriers that keep youth from accessing trauma-based services, and share opportunities that put Youth in control of their growth and healing.

*All initial proposals must be submitted to one of the primary tracks above.*

## **CRITERIA**

### **PROPOSALS WILL BE CONSIDERED BASED ON THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:**

1. Workshop proposal articulates clear, specific, and measurable learning objectives that are relevant to conference participants;
2. Workshop content has obtained credibility in the field to address and/or prevent sexual violence;
3. Workshop content reflects recent best available research, experiential, and/or contextual evidence on topics related to sexual assault;
4. Workshop content is informed by sociological, behavioral, social change, social justice, psychological and/or other theory;
5. The session builds participants' knowledge and/or skills or facilitates critical conversations to increase professional capacity and address and/or prevent sexual violence;
6. Content is aligned with the track description and relevant to the conference theme "Bold Moves: Equity Now";
7. The session is interactive and participatory and incorporates methods that support adult learners (small group work, team or problem-based activities, etc.).

### **ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS**

The following are strongly encouraged:

1. Workshops that focus on working in culturally-specific communities;
2. Workshops that feature emerging topics relevant to sexual violence research and/or the practice field;
3. Workshops that include programs or topics related to underserved communities;
4. Workshops that contribute to the understanding of comprehensive approaches with preventive interventions at multiple levels of the social-ecological model;
5. Workshops that will be delivered entirely in Spanish.

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

*Workshops that have been presented at previous National Sexual Assault Conferences should include significant and new information, resources, and/or insights.*

## **CRITERIA** (cont.)

### **AUDIENCE**

The National Sexual Assault Conference attracts a wide variety of people and groups committed to addressing and preventing sexual assault including:

- Social Justice Activists
- Survivors
- Students
- Rape Crisis Centers
- State, Territorial, & Tribal Sexual Violence Coalitions
- Public Health
- Faith Communities
- Campus and Universities
- Sport and Athletics
- Health Care
- Economic Justice
- Sex Offender Management
- Law Enforcement
- Prosecution
- Mental Health Professionals
- Military
- Funders
- Businesses

### **TOPICS**

Potential topics can include but are not limited to issues related to:

- Alternative Justice
- Bystander Intervention
- Campus/University
- Child Sexual Abuse
- Community Mobilization and Organizing
- Creative Expression
- Culturally-Specific Strategies
- Economic Justice
- Equity Self-Defense
- Evaluation
- Faith-Based
- Health Promotion (including healthy sexuality)
- Human Trafficking
- Immigration
- Intersectionality \*/ links to other issues oppressions
- LGBTQ+
- Media Development
- Norms Change
- Organizational Policies and Practices
- Promoting Gender Equality
- Restorative Justice
- Sex Offender Management
- Sexual Assault in Incarceration
- Sexual Assault in the Armed Services
- Sexual Assault in the Workplace
- Sexual Assault in Underserved Communities
- Sexual Assault of LGBTQ+ People
- Sexual Assault of Men or Boys
- Sexual Assault on Campuses or Universities
- Sexual Assault of People with Intellectual Disabilities
- Sexual Assault of Elders
- Social Justice
- Survivors with Intellectual Disabilities
- Transformative Justice
- Trauma-Informed Interventions

\*(Crenshaw, K. (1991). Mapping the margins: Intersectionality, identity politics, and violence against women of color. *Stanford Law Review*, 43(6), 1241-1299.)

## SUBMISSION

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

1. By submitting a proposal, you agree to allow your presentation and materials to be sent to interpreters to help them translate presentations and materials at the conference.
2. By submitting a proposal, you agree to allow NSAC conference staff to take photographs and record your workshop unless you otherwise notify NSAC conference staff in writing. Notification may be done by sending an email indicating that you wish to opt-out of having photographs or videos taken of your presentation to [nsac@calcasa.org](mailto:nsac@calcasa.org).
3. By submitting a proposal, you agree to have your presentation and/or materials posted on the NSAC website following the conference unless you otherwise notify NSAC conference staff in writing. Notification may be done by sending an email indicating that you opt-out of having your presentation and materials uploaded to the website to [nsac@calcasa.org](mailto:nsac@calcasa.org).

### PROPOSAL SUBMISSION PROCESS

#### Proposal Checklist

Before completing the Call for Proposal Submission Form, please make sure that you have all of the requested information and materials handy and ready for submission:

- Title of the proposed workshop (100-character maximum)
- Presenters' name
- Presenter's title
- Presenters' organization,
- Presenters organization address, phone, and email address
- Presenters' photo (jpg or png format) & biography (100-word/800-character maximum) and CV/resume
- A minimum of 3 clear, specific, and measurable workshop objectives.
- Workshop description for the conference program (80-word maximum)
- Workshop overview, rationale, support, and intended audience information

To submit a proposal, please complete the proposal submission form:

**SUBMIT PROPOSAL**

All proposals must be submitted by **December 23, 2019, at 11:59 pm PST.**

### QUESTIONS?

For questions about proposals, please email [nsac@calcasa.org](mailto:nsac@calcasa.org).