



Highlights of CCASA Achievements

1984: CCASA was formed by rape crisis advocates.

1988: Helped make marital rape a crime in Colorado.

1989: Provided statewide training on rural programs and new services.

1990-1993: Advocated for legislation extending the civil statute of limitations for sexual assault from one year to six years, providing an avenue for adult survivors to file civil actions.

1992: Began statewide training on Sexual Assault Exam protocol.

1993: Initiated statewide training on Sexually Transmitted Diseases and HIV/AIDS Protocol.

1995: Led efforts resulting in passage of comprehensive sexual assault victim's rights legislation. Helped create the Ending Violence Against Women (EVAW) Project.

1996: Advocated for legislation to increase victim safety through identification, prosecution, treatment, monitoring, and incarceration of sex offenders.

1998: Led efforts to pass Lifetime Supervision for Sex Offenders bill, providing the possibility of supervision of sex offenders by the justice system over the perpetrator's lifetime.

1999: Led efforts to pass legislation making the practice of Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) a child abuse crime in Colorado. In collaboration with CDPHE, released the first statewide survey on the prevalence of sexual assault in Colorado.

2002: Led efforts to pass legislation extending Statute of Limitations for reporting childhood sexual abuse and requiring mandatory reporting of abuse for clergy. In collaboration with CDPHE, launched the "Stimulate Conversation" Campaign on four Colorado college campuses.

2003: Hosted the first Colorado statewide conference on sexual assault: "Making Connections: Human Rights, Social Justice, and Prevention and Advocacy."

2009: Led efforts to pass legislation protecting advocate confidentiality for adult survivors of child sexual abuse. Expanded eligibility to join Board of Directors to include community members.

2010: Co-hosted the first dual statewide conference with the Colorado Coalition Against Domestic Violence (CCADV). Led efforts to pass legislation re-authorizing Colorado's Sex Offender Management Board.

2011: Collaborative statewide conference renamed Colorado Advocacy in Action conference. Hosted the first annual statewide Colorado SART (Sexual Assault Response Team) Institute.

2012: Hosted the largest ever annual statewide event at the Capitol in recognition of Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM).

2013: Led efforts to pass the Colorado SAVE Act, which provides much-needed financial assistance to sexual assault victims when they incur expenses associated with the medical forensic exam.