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Fifth Virtual National Town Hall Sponsored by the National Mass Violence Victimization Resource Center

Hate-motivated Mass Violence Crimes: Addressing Victim, Survivor & Community Impact #KnowBeforeYouNeedTo

Thursday, February 23, 2023 3:00 pm to 4:30 P.M. EST Click HERE to REGISTER NOW

Join the National Mass Violence Victimization Resource Center (NMVRC) for a timely discussion on hate-motivated mass violence crimes: addressing victim, survivor & community impact.

At the conclusion of the National Town Hall, participants will be able to:

- Identify the scope and prevalence of mass violence crimes motivated by hate.
- Describe the individual and collective impact of hate-motivated mass violence crimes.
- Identify effective strategies and skills to address community impact and build resilience.
- Identify effective strategies and skills for victim/survivor assistance and services.

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Town Hall Presenters



Eugenia Pedley is the Senior Program Manager for Mass Violence and Terrorism at the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) within the U.S. Department of Justice. Since joining OVC in June 2012, Ms. Pedley has worked with communities and organizations across the country that request Antiterrorism and Emergency Assistance Program (AEAP) funding to support victims of these incidents. She provides guidance on grant development, technical assistance on victim support programs, and grant monitoring; and led the development of the *Helping Victims of Mass Violence and Terrorism: Planning, Response, Recovery, and Resources Toolkit.* She also manages a number of mass violence awards and programs that work to prepare for and respond to these incidents. Ms. Pedley has a background in law enforcement intelligence working for the FBI and other federal agencies prior to joining OVC.



Dr. Alyssa Rheingold is a licensed clinical psychologist and Professor at the NCVC. She is the Director of the Preparedness, Response & Recovery Division of the National Mass Violence Victimization Resource Center. Dr. Rheingold has been funded for both service and research projects by CDC, NIMH, OVW, VAWA, VOCA, SAMHSA, and OVC. Her expertise includes EBT of trauma related mental health issues, grief & loss, and traumatic loss by homicide. She was instrumental in the immediate response & evidence-based mental health services and resiliency and recovery efforts to those impacted by the Mother Emanuel AME Church shooting in Charleston, SC. She has published over 70 peer reviewed articles & book chapters in the area of trauma, bereavement, & victimization and has served on the board of the Int'l Society for Traumatic Stress Studies. She has provided a number of trainings including Mindfulness, Acceptance and Commitment Therapy, Loss by Homicide, GRIEF Approach, Traumatic Grief, Impact of Witnessing Domestic Violence, Stress Management, Impact of Mass Violence, Early Interventions for Trauma Exposure, and Prolonged Exposure for PTSD.



Maggie Feinstein is the Director of the 10.27 Healing Partnership, where she has served for three years. She is a master's level professional counselor who has distinguished herself in the field of integrated mental health. She received her undergraduate degree at the University of Wisconsin-Madison in International Relations and received her Master's degree from the University of San Francisco in Counseling Psychology. She worked in San Francisco and Anchorage before returning to Pittsburgh. She currently resides in Squirrel Hill with her husband and two children.



Dr. Puni Kalra is an Executive Coach and Consultant in Leadership Development, Community Organizer & Activist. For over 25 years, Dr. Kalra has been working with communities who have faced traumatic events. She was a first responder for four mass shootings, including the Oak Creek Sikh Temple shooting in August 2012. There, she founded the Sikh Healing Collective as a mental health relief effort to help stabilize the community over an 18-month period after six members of the congregation were murdered in their house of worship. Dr. Kalra was born in India and immigrated to the US at the age of four. She earned her B.A. in Psychology from the University of Michigan - Ann Arbor and her M.A. and Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from the University of Denver. She is currently in private practice providing leadership development, training, and executive coaching. Her clients come from a range of different cultures that span across five continents and 20+ countries. For the past 13 years, she has been adjunct faculty for the Center for Creative Leadership.



Dr. D. Fredrica Brooks–Davis is the Founder and Executive Director of the Restoration Center, Inc., where she has served as a member of the Board of Directors since its inception in 2007. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from Clark Atlanta University. Upon graduation, she earned a Master of Arts degree in Community Counseling from Eastern Michigan University. After working in the mental health field and academia, Dr. Brooks-Davis attended Regent University in Virginia Beach, VA where she earned a Master of Arts degree and Doctor of Psychology degree in Clinical Psychology specializing in program development and consultation. She is a Psychology Associate in the State of Maryland, and is also a Personal and Executive Coach. Dr. Brooks–Davis has published articles, presented at numerous professional conferences, and facilitates workshops and trainings in both the public and private sector.



Navdeep "Navi" Gill is one of the community members at the Sikh Temple of WI who played a crucial part in the response and aftermath of the mass shooting on Aug 05, 2012. He collaborated with law enforcement to identify, create, and improve community and security solutions. Gill co-founded Serve 2 Unite, an organization created to establish a healthy sense of identity, purpose, and belonging that diverts young people from violent extremist ideologies, gun violence, school shootings, bullying, and substance abuse. Gill continues his work with the National Mass Violence Victimization Resource Center (NMVVRC) as one of the founding stakeholders where they provide communities access to evidence-based information and resources needed to effectively prepare for and respond to mass violence incidents.



Anne Seymour has been a national advocate for crime victims and survivors for 38 years, and is the Associate Academic Program Director for the NMVVRC. She began her career in 1984 as the Director of Public Affairs for the National Office of MADD and, from 1985 to 1993, as co-founder and Director of Communications and Resource Development of the National Center for Victims of Crime. Seymour has consulted with the U.S. Departments of Justice, Defense, State and Health & Human Services, the Peace Corps, and all 50 state governments to develop policies and protocols that improve the sensitive treatment of crime victims and survivors, and promote justice reforms that improve individual and public safety. She has been involved in several mass crisis responses, following the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001 and the Navy Yard mass shooting in September 2013, among others. Seymour served as a Lead Consultant to plan and implement OVC's 2009 "Assisting Victims of Terrorism and Mass Violence" National Symposium, and helped develop a mass violence training curriculum in 2016 for the District of Columbia Advanced Victim Services Academy. Seymour has received numerous honors for her efforts, including the 2018 U.S. Congressional Victims' Rights Caucus Lifetime Achievement Award and the 1992 "Outstanding Services to Crime Victims" award from President Bush.

Information about the NMVVRC National Town Hall Series

The quarterly National Town Halls sponsored by the NMVVRC, with support from the Office for Victims of Crime, provide the best, evidence-based mass violence **readiness**, **response** and **resiliency/recovery** resources and practices for:

- Mass violence victims and survivors
- Victim/ survivor assistance professionals
- Mental and behavioral health professionals
- Law enforcement and criminal justice officials
- Allied professionals

Our goal is to establish an ongoing exchange of ideas about best practices, "lessons learned," and experiences that can improve a community's coordinated response to mass violence incidents. To view the information shared in our prior Town Halls, please click here for Town Hall #1, click <a href=here for Town Hall #2, click <a href=here for Town Hall #4..

About the NMVVRC

The NMVVRC was established in October of 2017 in partnership with the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) within the Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice. The NMVVRC is located at the Medical University of South Carolina, Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences. The Center is composed of a multi-disciplinary team of scholars, researchers, victim service and mental health professionals, partner organizations, technical experts, and relevant local and national organizations in a multifaceted team that collaborates with OVC. Our principal partners include the American Hospital Association, National Governors Association, and U.S. Conference of Mayors.

The mission of the NMVVRC is to improve community preparedness and the nation's capacity to serve victims and communities recovering from mass violence through research, planning, training, technology, and collaboration.