



CAC OF BC NEWSLETTER

A Note From The CAC

Happy Spring! As April begins, we want to reflect on the work we have accomplished with our community partners. The CAC of Bristol County co-hosted our Annual Prevention Event, Strengthening Response & Support: Investigating Abuse in the Digital Era, with the Bristol County District Attorney's Office and The Women's Center on March 26, 2025. Turnout was high and we are grateful to all who could attend.

We offer a special shout out to our Key Note Speakers: Jeffery Perry, Meghann Benesh, K-9 Griffin, and Derek Cress. The content they provided was interesting and informative. And, who can resist a canine detective?! The day ended with moderated panel by our own Co-Director, Cathy Rutkowski. Our knowledgeable panelists included Megan Soares, Krystal Crowley, Jillian Allen, Dr. Michelle Houde, and ADA Silvia Rudman.

Upcoming Events

Annual Cornhole Tournament (Click Below for Link to Register)
Registration is filling up, so get your teams in now!

Date: Thursday May 22, 2025 (Rain Day: May 29th) 3 PM-8 PM

Location: Buzzards Bay Brewery

Spring Spectacular (Click Below for Link to Register)

Date: Friday June 13, 2025, 6 PM-10 PM

Location: Bay Club of Mattapoisett



Prevention Event

Our Annual Prevention Event, *Strengthening Response & Support: Investigating Abuse in the Digital Era*, was an amazing day. We had over 115 participants attend, learn, and listen in honor of National Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Thank you to the Women's Center Southcoast & The District Attorneys office for partnering with us for this event!

If you weren't able to provide your license number for CEUS at the event, please email Kyla: kfarias@jri.org or Emma: ekonn@jri.org

For those who attended the event, you should have received an email, with materials from the event, if you have further questions, feel free to reach out!





MDT of the Month

Desiree Demos--Executive Director



"Thank you Desiree, for using your voice to elevate the experiences of survivors of commercial sexual exploitation. Your insight and understanding of survivor needs blended with your candor and spirit results in a powerful advocacy on behalf of our most vulnerable youth. We look forward to building resources for our transitional-age youth together, and know we couldn't do this work without you!"

News & Updates

Join us for our Online Seminar Series!

- The Online Seminars are **Free**, all you have to do is register!
- **When:** Tuesdays in April & May from 4pm-5pm
- For more information, Click Below

Topics & Schedule:

- April 8th and May 6th: Overview of CAC Services and Referral Process
- April 15th and May 13th: A Guide to Digital Safety
- April 22nd and May 20th: Prevention Tips Every Caregiver Should Know
- April 29th and May 27th: Raising Awareness: Understanding Child Exploitation

Click Below to register!

