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*Please join us*  
for a **Policy Training and VAWA Reauthorization Field Hearing**

**Monday, October 18, 2010**  
**9 A.M. to 1 P.M.**

**Peace Over Violence, 1015 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 200, Los Angeles**

Family Violence Prevention Fund and Rainbow Services will be hosting a policy training for organizations on how to influence policymakers, media and the public to advance the Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization, which expires next year. The law is responsible for over \$600 million annually going to nearly 25 different programs to create and support comprehensive, cost-effective responses to prevent and respond to violence against women. The policy training lessons can be applied to local and state-level advocacy efforts. The second half of the program will be a “listening session” for local providers and advocates to propose changes and provide feedback on VAWA programs directly to federal officials. A policy toolkit will be available and shared with attendees to use with your supporters. We hope that you join us!

**9:00 A.M. -11:00 A.M. Policy Training: Influencing Key Stakeholders**

***Influencing Public/Grassroots:* Kim Carter, Founder and Executive Director, Time for Change Foundation**, started this foundation in 2002 to help women and children transition from homelessness and recidivism to self-sufficiency. Motivated by her experience as a formerly incarcerated woman, she left the corporate world where she was certified in accounting with an emphasis on not-for-profits.

***Influencing Media:* Robin Sax, Esq.**, a former Los Angeles sex crimes prosecutor, is an in-house NBC News legal analyst; guest commentator on national television shows including CNN’s *Larry King Live*, NBC’s *Today Show* and the CBS *Early Show*; and author of six books.

***Influencing Policymakers:* Taylor Mitchell** is Field Deputy to United States Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard. (*invited*)

**Marci Fukuroda, Esq. Director of Legal Services, Rainbow Services Ltd.**, a domestic violence agency in San Pedro. Formerly supervising attorney directing domestic violence policy work at the California Women’s Law Center.

**11:00 – 11:30 A.M. Keynote**

**Abby Liebman, Esq.**, founded and served as Executive Director of the California Women's Law Center, a statewide policy and support organization focused on women's rights, specializing in issues violence against women. Named in 1998 as one of California's 100 most influential attorneys by the *Los Angeles Daily Journal*.

**11:30-1:00 P.M. –Field Hearing/Listening Session for Federal Officials on Priority Issues in Los Angeles**

Los Angeles domestic violence and sexual assault providers/advocates;  
Chief Counsels for the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee and U.S. House of Representatives Judiciary Committee (*invited*); Los Angeles Congressional representatives

Breakfast will be served. ***To RSVP or for additional information, please contact Christina Alex at 917-478-9272, or christinamalex@gmail.com.***