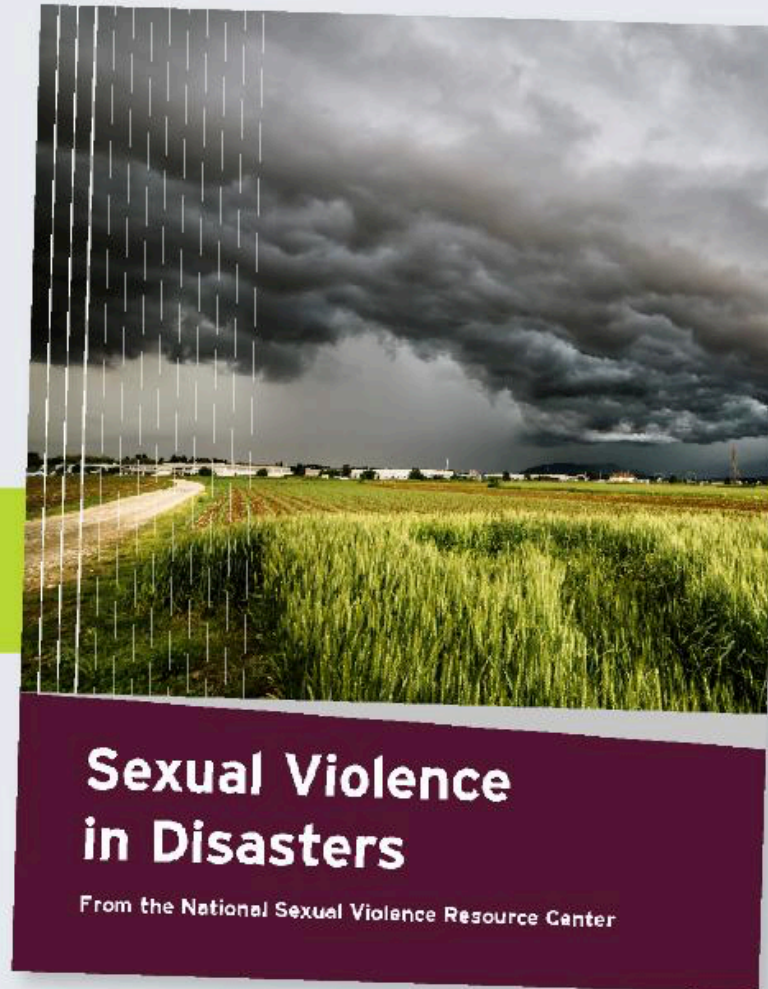


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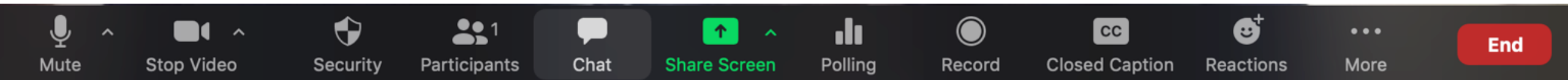
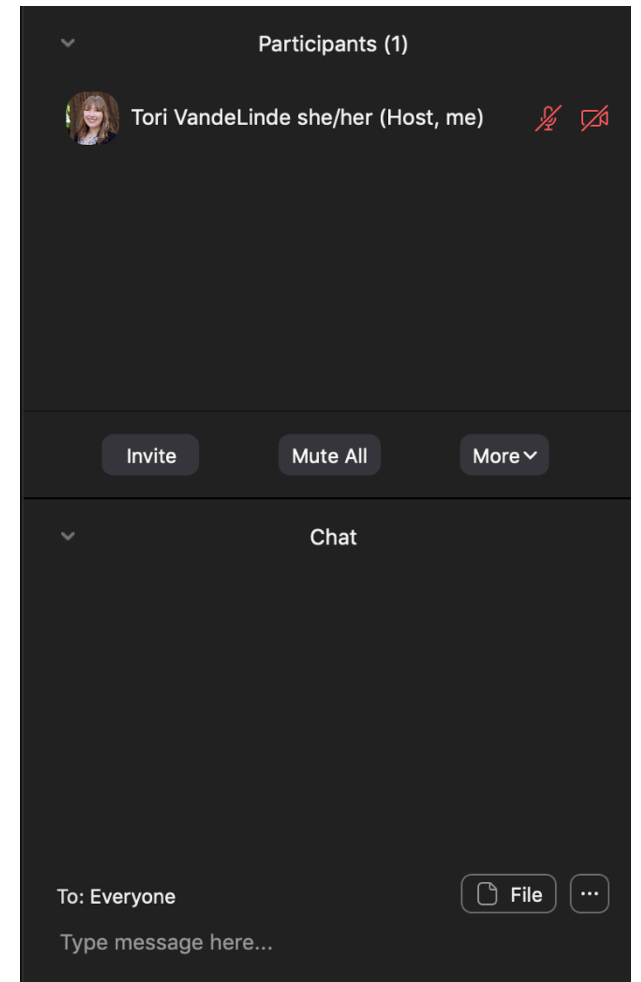
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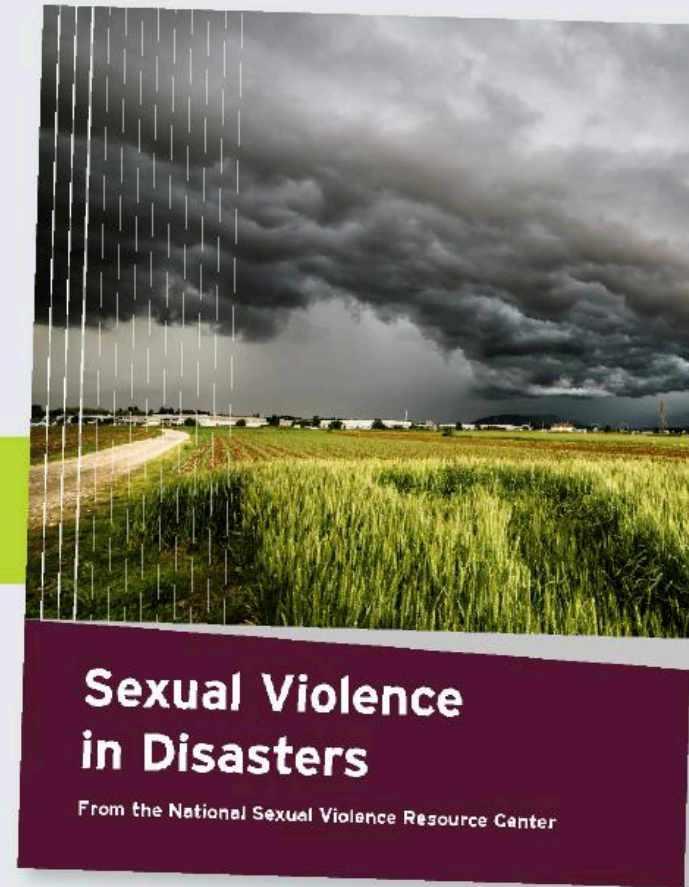


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- ▶ Domestic violence/intimate partner violence
- ▶ Sexual violence
- ▶ Violence across the lifespan, including child sexual abuse
- ▶ Prevent before violence starts
- ▶ Connect to other forms of violence and oppression
- ▶ Connect to other prevention practitioners

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Objectives

- ▶ Identify contributing factors to sexual violence in disasters
- ▶ Discuss survivor-centered and community-centered healing and recovery
- ▶ Describe strategies for sustainable prevention

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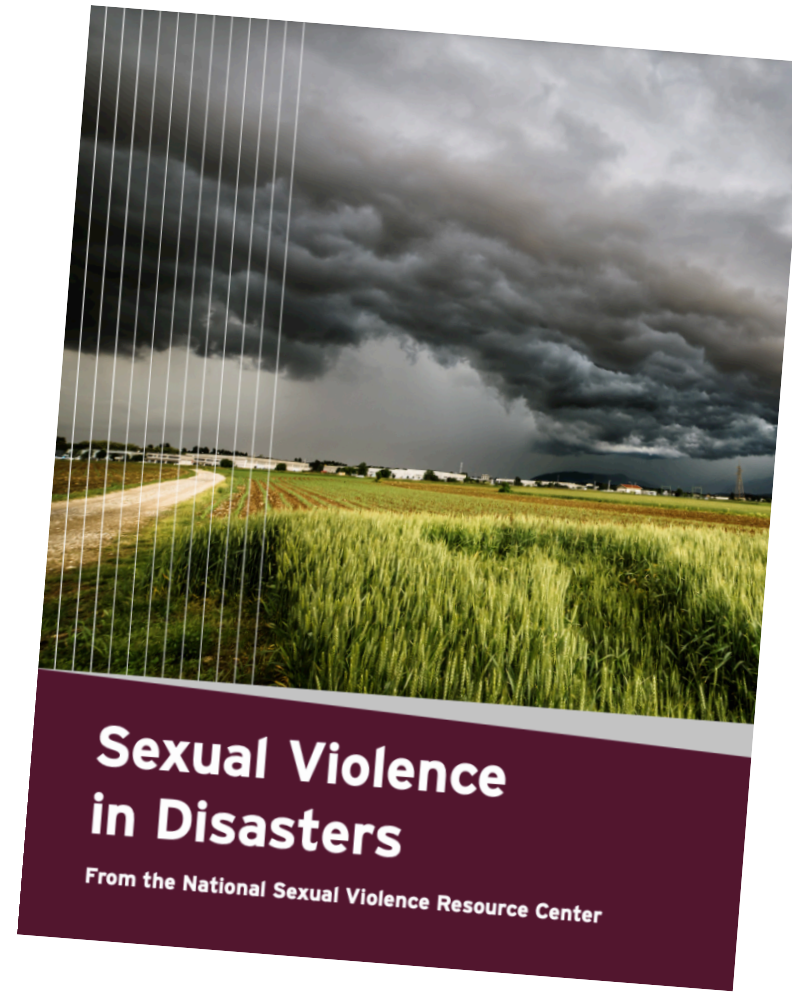
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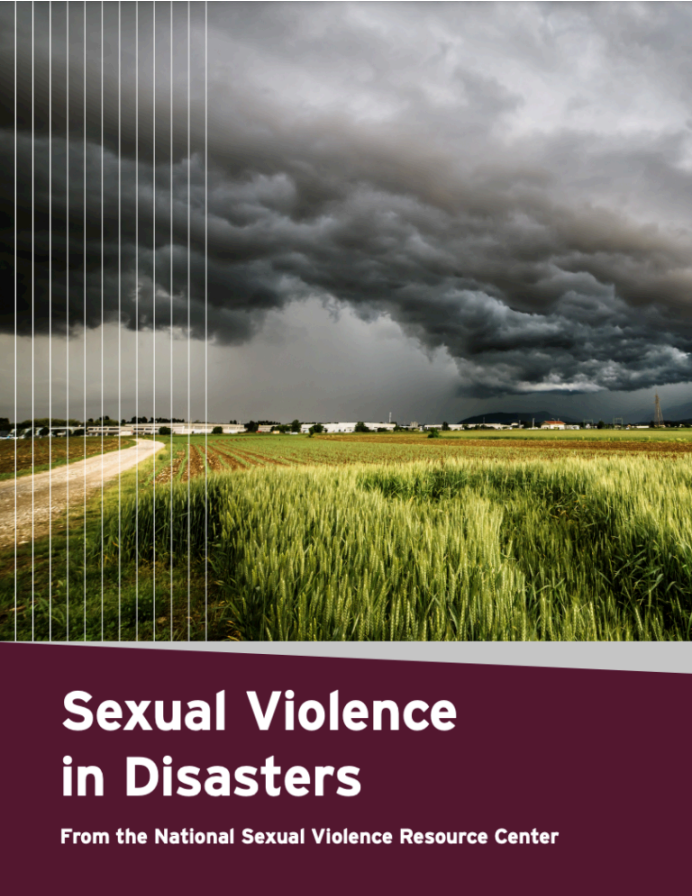
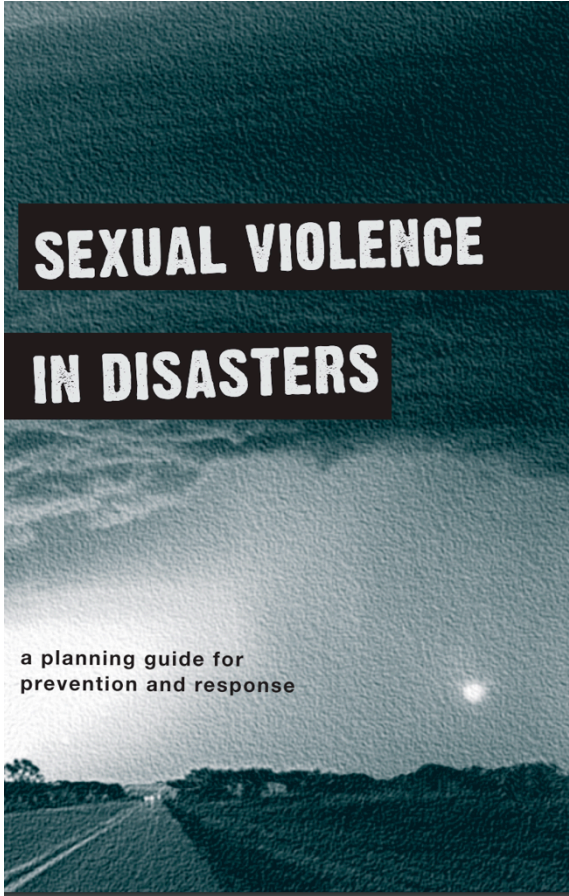
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Poll - How familiar are you with the new report from NSVRC?



Sexual Violence in Disasters



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Defining Disaster

Disaster is commonly defined as:

a serious disruption of the functioning of a community or a society causing widespread human, material, economic or environmental losses and impacts, which exceeds the ability of the affected community or society to cope using its own resources (United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction, 2009)



Contributing Factors to Sexual Violence in Disasters

- Risk Factors for Perpetration and Victimization
- Barriers to Support and Services
- Opportunities for Prevention



Examples of Sexual Violence in Disasters

- Intimate Partner SV
- Child Sexual Abuse
- Sexual Abuse by Caregivers
- Sex Trafficking, Sexual Extortion, & Survival Sex
- Workplace Sexual Harassment
- Image-Based Sexual Abuse
- Sexualized Hate & Bias-Motivated Violence
- Sexual Assault in Confinement
- SV in Shelters & Camps for Displaced Persons

Trauma & Healing in Disasters



- Stress Related to Immediate and Long-term Effects
- Re-Traumatizing Conditions of Sheltering
- Medical Anxiety
- Complex Trauma
- Historical Trauma
- Unmet Needs for Healing

Survivor-Centered & Community-Centered Healing & Recovery

- Historical Resilience and Ancestral Ways
- Collective Care and Mutual Aid
- Emergency Response from Crisis to Stabilization

“We are only as strong as the most vulnerable person in our community, so now more than ever it is imperative for us to decolonize from individualism and reconnect with ways of community care.”

— NDN Collective (Begay, 2020, para. 6)

Strategies for Sustainable Prevention

- Organizational Change
 - Accountability to Survivors
 - Accountability to Black, Indigenous, and People of Color Organizations
 - Anti-Oppression Work
 - Trauma-Informed Organization Management and Supervision
- Coalition Building
 - Connect with Community Partners
 - Prioritize Equity
 - PPlan, Implement Prevention Strategies
- Policy Education
 - Equity Analysis
 - Data Collection/Surveillance
 - Essential Services, Trauma-informed Systems
 - Economic Justice, Health Equity



Additional Resources

Online Resource Collection include resources for:

- Survivors of Violence, Disasters, Other Traumatic Events
- Friends and Families of Survivors
- Community Organizers
- Organization Leaders and Managers
- Service Providers

Evaluation During Disasters section of NSVRC's Evaluation Toolkit

Disaster Relief Fund for Sexual Assault Victims

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