



## Sexual Violence in Disasters: Implications for Prevention

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MS: My joy is the arc that the 9 year old human that lives in our home created out of cardboard boxes. It is brilliant.

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YC: not familiar.

LH: I really enjoyed the report! I have an interest in emergency management.

KL: ABSOLUTELY READ IT

CG: Only downloaded it yesterday.

LB: trauma therapist with alcoholism center for women in Los Angeles California.

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JR: Community Coordinator for the Mayor's office to End Domestic and Gender-Based Violence. [Jreyes3@endgbv.nyc.gov](mailto:Jreyes3@endgbv.nyc.gov).

MS: That version I have.

MS: The intra-family problem of sexual violence is detected in the frail person, in place of the presence of the Stockholm syndrome.

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MS: reasons for justifying the conduct of the violent, on which I had to intervene years ago in the legislative and the UN, to allow the Police to execute the procedure ex officio, up to that moment, subject to the will of the victim to want to make use of the complaint and often the victim in the preliminary hearing, revoked the will to proceed against the aggressor.

AKJ: PreventConnect's blog also explores this resource. You can access part 1 here: <http://www.preventconnect.org/2021/12/sexual-violence-in-disasters-a-new-resource-from-the-national-sexual-violence-resource-center/>.

AKJ: and part 2 is here: <http://www.preventconnect.org/2021/12/part-2-sexual-violence-in-disasters-a-new-resource-from-the-national-sexual-violence-resource-center/>.

SB: YES.

SB: Extreme underreporting in the pandemic.

MS: since that moment, they have been brought forward by the legislator allowing the framing of the crime of stalking and in the Italian law of the Red Code in which I took part in the formulation of the prospective analyzes of prosecution also for the heads of the omni function proceedings.

AKJ: This web conference that was held in April 2020 features guests talking about their communities' experiences with COVID-19 and the strategies they were emerging to understand community needs and respond to them. You can access the materials here: <http://www.preventconnect.org/2020/04/preventing-violence-in-our-homes-meeting-this-moment-with-connection-care-and-justice/>.

AKJ: Guide, Online Resource Collections: <https://www.nsvrc.org/sexual-violence-disasters>.

AKJ: Evaluation During Disasters <https://www.nsvrc.org/prevention/evaluation-toolkit/s18>.

AKJ: Disaster Relief Fund for Sexual Assault Victims  
<https://www.nsvrc.org/projects/preventing-sexual-violence-disasters/relief-fund-sexual-assault-victims>.

SL: Feel free to reach out to [prevention@nsvrc.org](mailto:prevention@nsvrc.org) for any questions about our Evaluation Toolkit and shifts in evaluation during disasters.

MS: sexual violence and psychiatric damage are connected, the methods of intervention are many, from tribal practices, to religious customs, business in human trafficking, all factors that involve civil civilization, where the resolutions O.N.U. they are an integral part of too often forgotten expectations in countries that have the right of veto.

SC: yes!!! Spanish versión :))

SC: checking out combat breathing now! thx for the resource.

TV: Thank you Sevonna ☺☺ that breath was so needed.

SB: Thank you all!

JG: Yes, thank you!

DT: Thank you all!! That was beautiful.

GO: this was beautiful! thank you. ☺☺

LB: Yes! I agree with Gabby!

HV: A major rupture that interrupts one's autonomy, safety, and liberation.

LB: It was a beautiful opening!

CH: we need to hear this, thank you. let us not ever forget.

JG: Thank you for that reminder that our land, our earth is crying out for us to be gentle with it.

SC: we deserve clean water!! thank you Strong Oak.

JG: Thank you for sharing, Strong Oak. 🙏

GO: working within the Latinx community a huge disaster is deportation that continues to separate families and other horrible conditions they are being put through! individuals are not able to heal fully because they are living each day in fear.

AKJ: Download

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MF: I came to this presentation expecting conversation around natural disasters (earthquakes, floods, fires), and how to protect women and children in such situations. I'm hearing that "disaster" includes so much more. As social workers, we work every day for equity for our most vulnerable populations. I look forward to reading this guide.

JG: 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).

JN: "Premeditated and preventable" is such a key thing. In Louisiana, like many communities, we see the intersection of a "natural" disaster with racist structural violence. Hurricanes are natural, their impacts are the result of neglect, bigotry, and oppression.

JN: \*result of oppression and neglect.

JG: YES, Jessie - so true!

SF: I feel like the helplessness that victim/survivors feel after they have been victimized due to lack of resources is a disaster in itself.

JG: Yes, Samantha!

LH: So true Jessie!

SC: I'm loving the question "what is natural?" because it addresses what jessie commented about the natural disasters causing so much harm because of the governmental neglect against low income communities.

SF: A lack of respect for the earth and its power causes all kinds of disastrous consequences that are often overlooked.

CH: I read a statistic that there was a huge increase in ER visits for children due to DV during Covid 2020 disaster.

JG: YES. ☑

AL: when addressing work place violence, we at PAVE are discussing events within the workplace as Micro Disasters.

JG: I think the community efforts,, mutual aid, - those sections of the guide are some of my favorite.

JG: I think a Part 2 is a possibility!! One thing we made clear in the planning of this guide was that this would be a living, breathing resource that we will be adding to!

ED: As someone who went through Katrina and whose family has since dealt with many other hurricanes, I really appreciate that perspective. Thank you for that acknowledgment. The idea that culture became preventative! Absolutely!

MS: Thank you for mentioning what the community, culture did in NO. Give more flowers to the community than Sean Payton, Drew Brees, and the NO Saints football team.

JG: We definitely expanded our knowledge and horizons with all the wisdom from this advisory group and contributors!

AM: superdome.

KE: Superdome.

MY: yes, superdome!

JG: Thank you for naming that, Strong Oak.

LH: Yes Mira! Those without resources, especially the disabled, are so frequently left out of prevention, mitigation and recovery!

SB: Yes.

SC: always love inexplicable indigenous spiritual experiences, so beautiful to be present to hear your story.

AC: yes thank you for sharing that~

K: Agreed, very beautifully chilling experience. Thank you for sharing.

JG: Grateful and honored to have heard that story, Strong Oak.

SO: Chi Miigwetch, Thank You for this feedback.

JT: I have to leave early but want to express my deep gratitude and appreciation to you all for sharing. I will watch the recording later and share it with my friends and colleagues. Thank you.

SF: Thank you Strong Oak for sharing with us. Respect and awareness of cultural healing processes is huge for people who have suffered traumas <3.

JG: That is profound - thanks you, Sevonna.

MS: How do we get people, steeped in the disconnection of our lived experiences and conditions, to see changing the conditions as prevention?

JG: I was so grateful to be among our advisory group members and contributors to hear their stories. Such a gift; and those stories provided "bones" to this guide.

MS: How do we get people to see what we have been trained not to see? To hear the stories we do not want to hear?

MS: There is comfort in not seeing or hearing others pain, especially when we are responsible for that harm.

MS: "The land did not consent to be owned."

TV: This is powerful, Strong Oak. "If we know where the source of the harm is" then we have the power to change it.

K: ☺☺ Yes!

JG: Agree, Tori - this is our prevention work!

MS: Who are they? I missed it.

MP: This is bringing to mind Cheryl Harris's concept of whiteness as property.

SM: Amazing how this challenges my privilege and concept of self. Thank you!

SC: Oh, going to read that Margaret.

HC: ^^yes, yes.

SF: "muscle for liberation" I love that!

JG: Oh, Strong Oak - and we are still a work in progress, but I appreciate so much each of you telling us what the process needed to be, what changes we needed to make, how we needed to approach this work. I am grateful.

SB: Me too, Mira!

SO: Me, too Mira.

JG: We need more of this!

TV: Mira, this focus on the seeds is bringing me so much hope for prevention and systems change.

MS: I hate contradictions. They make me feel uncomfortable. I love contradictions. They show me where the work is.

SB: Community led solutions is the WAY.

SF: Yes, Sevonna!

TV: 90 minutes goes by so fast with Mira, Strong Oak, and Sevonna! This has been so incredible!

JG: I loved listening to this convo and it makes me miss our advisory group calls so much!

MS: Thank you, Sevonna Brown. All on point.

SO: Yes, we miss those Advisory Group calls!

SB: Thank you!

DT: Thank you for today. This was such an incredible 90 mins.

MS: I loved witnessing you 3 having this conversation with each other. It seemed like an extension of the conversations you were having in the Advisory Group.

KW: Thank you all!

KF: Thank you - this was amazing.

CD: Thank you everyone.

KGM: Thank you

ML: Thank you all, this was incredible to listen to.

SF: Thank you all.

GO: Thank you everyone!! This was amazing.

AB: Thank you.

SH: This was great Thank you! Peace and love to you all!

JG: We don't want the convo to stop here. This guide will grow and change, and we want to capture the stories from the field.

LB: thank you - this was a gift to listen to and create conversation with.

LP: This was absolutely enlightening and amazing thank you so much.

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JG: Yes, PLEASE - read the guide. We will be doing more promotion over the coming months. Take a section at a time! And YES, we can and will do podcasts!! We have the technology. :)

RC: Thank you so much! This was an amazing conversation.

SF: Thank you-- an absolute gift to be in this space today.

LQ: Thank you so much. I am humbled by your collective wisdom.

SC: thank you all!!

LJ: Thank you so much for sharing.

SW: Thank you for an enjoyable and interesting conversation!

MS: I need to be constantly fed this truth because it is so easy to fall back in to comfortable stasis.

MPM: Thank you!

TW: So incredibly inspiring you all. Thank you!

SB: Yes Mira, that's critical global continuity as we go forward.

JN: Thank you!!

LG: Thank you.

KB: This was so enlightening! Thank you for sharing from your hearts and souls today!

VL: So beautiful! Thank you!

WK: thank you.

MR: Thank you!☺

YC: thank you!

CH: loved this so much. thank you all so much.

CD: Thank you to each and every one of you.

GW: Thank you.

MG: Thank You!

CR: Thank you, very powerful. We need to continue the work for our children and grandchildren.

HC: Thank you, everyone!

JS: Thank-you! This had been a great conversation.

SB: The wisdom in the audience is amazing! I cannot wait to connect with each of you!

CS: So enlightening, thank you so much!

KW: thank you so much for sharing your story in this space.

LH: Thank you all so much for sharing yourselves and your stories. This has been a really amazing conversation and has broadened my mind.

MOS: Thank you so much!!

TW: After 18 months of zoom webinars.... so refreshing and enlightening!

SB: BWB also has a radical healing support group please email me [sevonna@blueprintny.org](mailto:sevonna@blueprintny.org) if you are interested in sharing this with your folks and people you work with directly.

JG: Thank you everyone!!

SB: Thank you NSVRC and Prevent Connect !

SO: Chi Miigwetch to everyone.

SB: I agree @Teresa~!

KW: Thank you so much!

MY: Thank you everyone!

SM: Really wonderful information! Thank you for sharing yourselves. Has given me so much to ponder. I appreciate the gentle challenges and inspiration.

SB: Peace to all.

SD: Thank you for your transparency and wisdom. Our roar is mightier when we roar together! Thank you for the reminder of what it means to be grounded in ourselves and within each other! Every person has a story and all stories deserve to be heard, held, and known! Great meeting thank you!

DY: THANK YOU

SF: Blessed be to all

EJ: thank you excellent presentation

JS: Thank you!

SB: Of course no worries

CJ: Thank you.