



## Media Training

**Tuesday, October 29, 2013  
9:00am - 12:00pm**

As you hear talk about violence in Chicago, do you sense that some voices are missing? How about your work and the work of your group? Are you part of the discussion?

Here's a free workshop on telling your story to the media and communities for individuals and groups who deal with youth violence. It is presented by the Community Media Workshop in collaboration with Strengthening Chicago's Youth. It will be held from 9 am to noon, Tuesday, Oct. 29 at Columbia College.

### Applications Due Oct. 13

Due to limited seating, registration applications are being accepted through October 13, 2013. Chosen individuals and groups will be notified the week of October 14, 2013. Submit your application [here](#).



## Upcoming Events & Important Dates

Dear Kelli,

We know that perceptions regarding violence and safety, whether accurate or not, impact how individuals feel about the communities in which they live. We also know that the media plays a huge role in these perceptions - particularly as some communities are portrayed through a limited lens. In an effort to promote the assets and strengths of our communities and the great work that's happening around youth violence prevention within those communities, SCY is partnering with Community Media Workshop to conduct the upcoming Media Training on October 29.

The focus of the training is to provide individuals, groups, and organizations with the know-how and tools to share their stories with the media. To ensure a focused discussion, we are limiting the training to a small group and are accepting short [registration applications](#) (contact info and two brief questions) for participation due on October 13. Invitations to accepted individuals and groups will go out by the end of that week.

I hope to see you there!

Sincerely,  
Rebecca Levin, MPH  
Director, SCY  
Strategic Director, Injury Prevention and Research Center  
Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago

## National Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Connecting Advocates Across the Nation

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and Between Friends is supporting and initiating several awareness activities. Domestic violence impacts everyone - women, men, children, their families, the workplace, and the community. No one is immune. Learn more about Domestic Violence and Between Friends' mission to break the cycle of domestic violence and build a community free of abuse at [betweenfriendschicago.org](http://betweenfriendschicago.org).

Check out [Between Friends events](#) to commemorate National Domestic Violence Awareness Month - there are lots of opportunities to volunteer and participate.

If you or someone you know is experiencing domestic violence, please click [here](#).

## October

[National Domestic Violence Awareness Month](#)

### October 1

[Light Up the Lakefront](#)

A Luminaria on Oak Street Beach at dusk to remember victims of domestic violence

### October 3

[Cook County Restorative Justice Committee Meeting](#)

### October 13

Applications DUE for [Media Training](#) co-hosted by SCY and Community Media Workshop

### October 18

[Gun Violence Among Youth in Chicago](#)

Children's Legal Rights Journal Symposium

### October 24

[Art is Healing Collaborative Reception](#) at Edgewater Public Library

### October 24

*A Vision for the Future: Reimagining the System When Young People Come into Conflict with the Law*  
See [SCY 9/3/13 Newsletter](#) for details.

### October 24

Free Preparedness Training  
See [SCY 9/3/13 Newsletter](#) for details.

### October 25

Deadline to Enter [RESPECT! Challenge](#) sponsored by Futures Without Violence

### October 28

Midwest Summit  
"Arrest Records as Barriers to Employment"  
See [SCY 9/16/13 Newsletter](#) for details.

### October 29

[Media Training](#)  
Applications due Oct. 13

### November 6

SCY Quarterly Meeting  
9am-12pm  
[REGISTER HERE](#)



## Cook County Restorative Justice Committee

Thursday, October 3, 2013

Please join the Cook County Restorative Justice Committee meeting on Thursday, October 3, 2013 at the Juvenile Facility, 1100 S. Hamilton Ave., in the Multi-Purpose Room on the 2nd floor. Refreshments will be served at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. and conclude at 12 noon. For more information, please contact Peter Newman at [pnewman334@aol.com](mailto:pnewman334@aol.com).

## Gun Violence Among Youth in Chicago

Children's Legal Rights Journal Symposium

Friday, October 18, 2013

8:30am - 3pm

Philip H. Corboy Law Center

Power, Rogers, and Smith Ceremonial Courtroom

10th Floor

25 E. Pearson Street, Chicago

Gun violence among youth in the United States has been well publicized in the wake of recent shootings. Youth in Chicago are especially vulnerable. Gun violence among youth today substantially affects the right of children to grow up, to be educated, to be healthy, to be employed, and to move around the city safely and freely.

This symposium hopes to further a discussion on how our nation, and we as members of the legal community, can address the violent realities that many children face in their homes and communities, the lack of resources to combat the violence, and our responsibility to protect the basic rights of all children.

TO REGISTER FOR THIS YEAR'S CONFERENCE,  
PLEASE EMAIL AMANDA CREWS SLEZAK AT  
[ACREWS1@LUC.EDU](mailto:ACREWS1@LUC.EDU).

## Win \$10,000 for a School or Non-Profit Organization

[RESPECT! Challenge](#)



## November 8

*[Breaking the Silence](#): A call to address child sexual abuse in African-American communities*

## December 5

Free Preparedness Training  
See [SCY 9/3/13 Newsletter](#) for details.

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## Newsletter Content

To have an event or article included in SCY's bi-monthly update, please email Kelli Day at [kday@luriechildrens.org](mailto:kday@luriechildrens.org)

"R-E-S-P-E-C-T" - Futures without Violence

## Who would you like to thank for teaching you respect?

Write or record your answer about the person who taught you respect and you could win:

### National Prize (1)

- \$10,000 donation made in your name to a school or nonprofit
- VIP trip to New York City and tickets to the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade
- \$500 Macy's Gift Card

### Regional Prizes (8)

- \$2,500 donation made in your name to a school or nonprofit
- \$2,500 scholarship or stipend
- \$250 Macy's Gift Card

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**Entry Period: Sept. 8 - Oct. 25, 2013**

Enter at:

- [FuturesWithoutViolence.org](http://FuturesWithoutViolence.org)
- [Facebook.com/FuturesWithoutViolence](https://Facebook.com/FuturesWithoutViolence)
- Instagram & Twitter entries: #RespectChallenge



## Take the Pledge TODAY

### Pledge to Buckle Up for Life

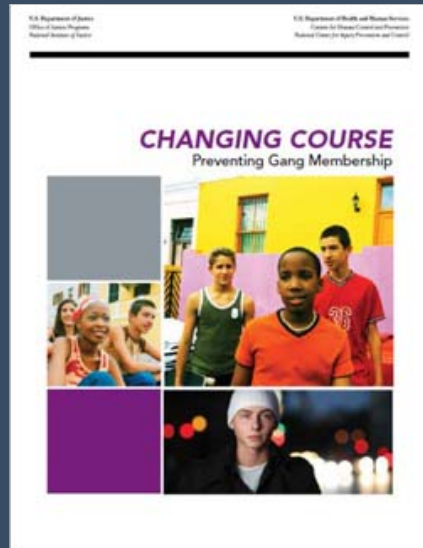
Did you know that 1 in 3 American children ride unrestrained and only 2 out of 9 children are in the right car seat? Using the correct car seat reduces infants and toddlers chances for fatal injury by as much as 71%. What can you do to protect your family? Take the [Buckle Up for Life Pledge](#).

To learn more about this program, visit [buckleupforlife.org](http://buckleupforlife.org).



## Changing Course: Preventing Gang Membership

Co-authored by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the National Institute of Justice



CDC and the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) released [Changing Course: Preventing Gang Membership](#), a book that helps communities halt the cascading impact of gangs on kids, families, neighborhoods, and society.

#### GET THE BOOK

Download *Changing Course*, an executive summary, and one-page flyer today for free in electronic formats.

- [Changing Course: Preventing Gang Membership \(full text\) \[PDF 1.61 MB\]](#)
- [Executive Summary: Changing Course: Preventing Gang Membership \[PDF 638 KB\]](#)
- [Flyer \[633 KB\]](#)

Order a hard copy by visiting the [National Criminal Justice Service's Changing Course webpage](#).

#### LEARN MORE

- [CDC Youth Violence Prevention](#)
- [CDC Understanding Youth Violence Factsheet \[PDF 366 KB\]](#)
- [Striving to Reduce Youth Violence Everywhere \(STRYVE\)](#)

## Breaking the Silence

### A Call to Address Child Sexual Abuse in African-American Communities

Friday, November 8, 2013  
8:30am - 5pm

UIC Student Center East Room 302  
750 S. Halsted Street  
Chicago, IL 60607

#### [REGISTER NOW](#)

Join Chicago Children's Advocacy Center for their fall symposium! Hosted by Raising Awareness in Service and Empowerment for African-American Families (RAISE) coalition, this symposium will mobilize community members and partners to address child sexual abuse in African-American communities. Sessions throughout the day will:

- increase attendees' understanding of child sexual abuse and the culture of silence in African-American communities
- develop attendees' community ownership of the problem of child sexual abuse, including the mental health needs of children who have experienced sexual abuse
- present a call to action for community-based prevention and awareness efforts

The registration fee (\$60) covers morning refreshments, all sessions, materials and continuing education hours for licensed social workers and counselors. Symposium attendees will also learn more about RAISE's training and outreach efforts, and attendees will be invited to join the

coalition.

Space is limited, so reserve your seat today! To register offline (with payment by American Express, check or cash), please contact Julia Strehlow, ChicagoCAC's Outreach and Training Coordinator: (312) 492-3718 or [JStrehlow@ChicagoCAC.org](mailto:JStrehlow@ChicagoCAC.org).



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