



Letter from the Executive Director

Dear Strengthening,

This past Tuesday was one of the more historic Chicago municipal elections to date with the newly instated three-member Chicago Police District Councils - and a crowded race for mayor. Since no mayoral candidate received a majority of the votes, it is crucial for Chicagoans to stay informed and participate in the upcoming April 4 runoff elections. This will include [sharing information on voter registration](#), [accessing educational resources](#), and staying engaged. We encourage everyone to exhibit their civic duties and make their voices heard on how to create a safer and healthier Chicago for all.

Sincerely,
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CRIME VICTIM COMPENSATION PROGRAM

Webinar

The [Illinois Attorney General's Office](#) is hosting a webinar designed for victim service providers, community partners, and members of the public who may be interested in learning about the Crime Victim Compensation Program. Covered topics will include the new compensation limits, the expanded application window, and changes to applicant eligibility.



Tuesday, March 7, 2023
1:00 PM - 2:30 PM
Virtual (via Zoom)

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IDHS TRAUMA TRAINING

Vicarious Trauma

This [ICOY](#) training addresses trauma and its impact on those in caring professions. Participants will discuss the "caring traumas" and learn how to identify and address the signs and symptoms of each. Additionally, participants will contextualize these concepts by examining the systemic issues that can contribute to them. Finally, participants will learn about ways to address trauma and promote individual and organizational self-care.



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Thursday, March 9, 2023
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Virtual (via Zoom)

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ADDING UP THE COST OF HEALTH INEQUITY

Wellbeing Wednesdays

It's well understood that our nation's healthcare system too often leaves people of color and other minorities behind. Chronic underfunding also has devastating effects on healthcare outcomes. Join [National Council for Mental Wellbeing](#) as they speak with the primary author of a compelling new study that addresses the failures in our healthcare system, the consequences of health inequity on Black Americans, and presents strategies to overcome this long-standing problem.

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Wednesday, March 15, 2023
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM
Virtual

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IDHS TRAUMA TRAINING

Holding Joy & Trauma during Women's History Month

Please join [ICOY's](#) Trauma Initiatives Team for a discussion on holding joy and trauma during Women's History Month! Attendees will explore the historical context of gender in relation to oppression and empowerment. Additionally, we will discuss intersectionality to understand how shared gender identity doesn't equate to shared lived experiences.



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Tuesday, March 21, 2023
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Virtual (via Zoom)

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2023 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Co-Creating Real-World Solutions: Science, Policy and Practice to Prevent Injury and Violence

The 2023 [Society for Advancement of Violence and Injury Research \(SAVIR\)](#) conference will focus on the translation of research into real-world settings. The convening will explore strategies for the co-design of research questions and effective approaches to bridge research, policy, and practice. The theme will focus on sharing the latest research findings as well as how these findings are moving into action through partnerships, communication, and non-traditional methods of dissemination.

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*Society for Advancement of
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Monday, April 17, 2023
through
Wednesday, April 19, 2023
Denver, CO

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SCY POLICY AGENDA UPDATE

Finalized Document

Every two years, Strengthening Chicago's Youth (SCY) hosts a meeting with our violence prevention partners to review and revise the existing policy agenda to ensure it reflects partners' current priorities and needs. The updated policy is then finalized after an open comment period. SCY is pleased to present the 2023-2024 Policy Agenda. We sincerely appreciate the thoughtful responses that informed the update, and we look forward to collaborating on these priorities in the coming years.



[2023-24 POLICY AGENDA](#)

UNSAFE CAR SEAT PRACTICES IN CHICAGO

Voices of Child Health in Chicago

Car crashes remain a leading cause of death and severe injury for children 1 to 10 years old in the United States. [Voices of Child Health in Chicago](#) has released its latest report about unsafe car practices in Chicago. Some of the report highlights include:



Voices of Child Health
in Chicago

- The majority of Chicago parents reported engaging in at least one unsafe car seat practice
- It is critical that parents and other caregivers secure the top tether every time they install a forward-facing car seat
- It is essential to remove bulky clothing such as coats and snowsuits before placing a child in a car seat so that the straps are snug enough to protect from injury in a crash

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NEWSLETTER CONTENT

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