

2. Name, work phone number and e-mail address of your current supervisor:

3. Your signature below signifies your commitment to attend all of the training that you have registered for and to make all necessary hotel and travel arrangements.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Supervisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

4. Please mail the original copy of your completed application along with your registration fee to:

Cindy Heard
ACVS AVAA
2453 E. Magnolia Drive
Gilbert, AZ 85298

Questions? Contact:
Cindy Heard
Phone: 602-421-9354
Email: acvsavaa@yahoo.com

Application due date – 5:00 p.m., April 29, 2011

The Arizona Victim Assistance Academy warmly welcomes bilingual applicants. Please note, however, that all Academy sessions will be conducted in English.

5. Please type or print clearly below your name as you would like it to appear on your Certificate of Completion.

Name: _____

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Arizona Victim Assistance Advanced Academy



May 16-20, 2011

Application

“Very professional training. Best training for victim advocacy in the State of Arizona.”

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ARIZONA VICTIM ASSISTANCE ACADEMY

The Arizona Victim Assistance Academy (AVAA) is excited to offer its first advanced academy. You will be provided a rare opportunity to work, study and interact with victim service providers from around the State. Classes to be presented represent the most current victim issues. In addition, the last two days of the academy are specifically targeted to victim service supervisors. Whether you are presently in a supervisory position or it is part of your career ladder, you will not want to miss this training.

AVAA Goals

1. To provide a broad spectrum of basic advocacy training which will standardize the training of crime victim advocates in Arizona.
2. To expand and enhance the level of professionalism within the victim services field.
3. To provide an opportunity to network with other victim service providers.
4. To increase participants' knowledge of national, state, and local resources.

AVAA Location

The Academy will be held at the Desert Willow Conference Center located at 4340 E. Cotton Center Boulevard in Phoenix. The Conference Center is located in the Cotton Center business park, near the Tempe-Phoenix border. It is 5 minutes from Sky Harbor International airport and 10 minutes from downtown Phoenix.

Who Should Attend?

The Arizona Victim Assistance Academy encourages the attendance of individuals from victim service organizations and other agencies that serve crime victims. This includes volunteers and paid staff from a variety of community-based and system-based programs. The Advanced Academy is designed for victim service providers who have at least one year experience in the field and are familiar with basic victim advocacy. Supervisors, or those who are interested in supervision, are encouraged to attend. Volunteers in the field with a minimum of one year of active volunteer experience are welcome to apply.

Application Process

An application is included with this brochure. Please share this announcement with other victim service providers who wish to apply to the Academy. The blank application form may be copied. In order to be eligible for acceptance into the Academy, applicants must submit a completed application, along with the registration fee. The fee for the entire week of training is \$500. Members of the Arizona Coalition for Victim Services (ACVS) can receive a discounted fee of \$450 for the week. If you wish to attend only specific days, the fee is \$100 per day, Monday through Friday or \$90 per day for ACVS members. Both the application and registration fee must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 29, 2011. No registration fees will be refunded after April 29, 2011. Make checks payable to ACVS.

Send application to:

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ACVS/AVAA
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Questions? Contact:

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Academy Costs and Time Frames

All participants must arrive and pick up registration materials for the Academy at the Desert Willow Conference Center between 7:00 a.m. and 7:45 a.m., May 16, 2011. Classes will begin promptly at 8:00 a.m. If you are attending on a day other than Monday, May 16th, registration materials may be picked up in the classroom. Desert Willow Conference Center is located at 4340 E. Cotton Center Boulevard, Phoenix, AZ. The Academy will close on Friday, May 20, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. The total cost to participants for the entire week is \$500 or \$450 for ACVS members. This fee includes all course materials, continental breakfast and lunch. If you choose to attend on a daily basis the cost is \$100 per day for Monday through Friday or \$90 per day for ACVS members. Hotel costs are not included. Participants are responsible for making their own hotel arrangements.

Hotel

AVAA has contracted with the Hilton Homewood Suites for out of town participants. The Homewood Suites is located at 4750 E. Cotton Center Blvd. The hotel is just a few blocks from the Desert Willow Conference Center. The hotel cost is \$89 per night plus tax. Check-in time for the hotel is 3:00 p.m. The hotel provides a complimentary light dinner Monday through Thursday. Hotel reservations must be made by May 1, 2011 in order to receive the special rate. Reservations can be made by contacting the hotel directly at 602-470-2100. You must mention that you are with the Arizona Coalition for Victim Services in order to receive the special rate.

Academy Scholarships

- OVC TTAC: Full scholarships for registration, room and board may be available. Applications are due 45 days in advance. To obtain an application visit the website: www.ovctac.org/taResources/scholarships.cfm
- DPS VOCA & ACJC: if your agency receives VOCA or ACJC Victim Assistance grant funding, these funds, if available, may be used for travel and attendance at the AVAA. Contact your DPS VOCA or ACJC Coordinator.
- APAAC: Prosecuting Agencies Only. Prosecuting agency employees and volunteers may be able to apply for an APAAC scholarship by submitting a letter of request on agency letterhead signed by the head of the agency
- AVAA: AVAA has a limited number of scholarships that will be awarded on a first come, first serve basis. In order to be eligible for a scholarship you must have already attended the basic academy or have three years experience in the field. To request a scholarship submit a financial need letter on agency letterhead with the AVAA application. The letter should include an explanation of the need for financial assistance and the anticipated benefits of Academy attendance for the individual and the agency. The letter must be signed by a supervisor. Applications and letters for scholarships must be received by March 11, 2011.

NOVA Credentialing Continuing Education Hours

If you are presently credentialed through the NOVA National Advocate Credentialing program, the advanced academy hours may be able to be used as continuing education credits. You must bring the Continuing Education Documentation Forms with you to have instructors sign. The form can be downloaded from the NOVA website: www.trynova.org.

Certificate of Graduation

Upon successful completion of the Academy, participants will be awarded a certificate from the Arizona Coalition for Victim Services. The certificate will reflect the hours earned.

Academy Agenda

- Monday – Traumatic Brain Injury in Victims, Victims and Substance Abuse/Mental Illness, Cultural Panel
- Tuesday – Social Networking and Technology, Victims and Disabilities, Victim Services in Department of Corrections, Child Sex Slavery
- Wednesday – Human Trafficking, Assisting Undocumented Victims, Compassion Fatigue
- Thursday – Professionalism and Ethics in Victim Services, Grant Writing and Administration, Volunteer Recruitment and Retention
- Friday – Maximizing Your Advocates Potential, Violence in the Workplace, Time Management for Supervisors, Generational Differences



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Name: _____

Job Title: _____

Agency/Department: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____

Fax Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

County: _____

Number of years of direct victim service: _____

From: _____ To: _____

Education/Degree(s): _____

Year: _____ Major: _____

I am registering for:

- All week Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Registration being funded by:

- AVAA DPS VOCA APAAC OVC OWN AGENCY

1. Select the jurisdiction and one category below that best describes the type of organization you represent:

Jurisdiction: Federal State City/County Private/Nonprofit

Criminal Justice

- Police/Sheriff-based
 Prosecution-based
 Court-based
 Probation-based
 Corrections-based
 Parole-based
 Juvenile Justice-based

Community/Nonprofit

- All Victims
 Sexual Assault
 Domestic Violence
 Child Abuse
 Drunk Driving
 Homicide Support
 Missing/Exploited Children
 Elderly Victims

Additional Agencies

- Youth Services
 Native Americans
 Religious
 Hospital/Medical
 State VOCA Ass. Staff
 State Victim Comp Staff
 Other _____

"Helpful for advocates to get a more well rounded knowledge when they only work in one specific area."

"Amazing amount of information that provides a great foundation for the work of advocates."

- Previous Academy Participants -

