FREE ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE:

BUILDING CAPACITY TO REDUCE SEXUAL VIOLENCE BY PROMOTING COLLABORATION AMONG VICTIM ADVOCATES AND SEX OFFENDER MANAGEMENT PRACTITIONERS

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The Center for Sex Offender Management, the National Sexual Violence Resource Center, the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, and the Resource Sharing Project are collaborating to promote dialogue, problem-solving, and collaboration between the sexual assault victim advocacy community and the practitioners responsible for sex offender management. As part of this project, we are offering a limited number of instances of on-site assistance (in the form of subject matter experts/trainers) to jurisdictions interested in creating or strengthening partnerships among victim advocacy and sex offender management practitioners. The potential topics that could be covered, depending on the need of the individual applicant, might include:

- Building and sustaining collaborative partnerships to reduce sexual victimization (for both disciplines).
- Managing sex offenders in order to reduce victimization (for advocates).
- Understanding the value of sexual assault victim advocacy (for sex offender management providers).

To take advantage of this assistance, please submit a brief (one page or less) response to the following:

- What type of assistance are you requesting?
- Why is this a pressing need in your jurisdiction?
- What is the agency requesting the assistance?
- Who will be the target audience (e.g., advocates, probation, treatment, others?)
- How will your agency leadership support or participate in the assistance?
- What are the goals/outcomes that you hope to achieve from receipt of this assistance?
- What is the proposed timeframe for the delivery of assistance?
- Are you willing to participate in a brief follow-up assessment on the impact of the assistance?
- Are you willing to provide meeting space and copy materials?

Please submit your responses to these questions and any other critical issues you feel are important to share, and submit to: Leilah Gilligan, Project Manager, l.gilligan@cepp.com. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis, but in the order in which they are received. Final selection determinations will be made by project partners in conjunction with OVW.