

Black vs. Justice: Black Women Stand Up (Documentary)

Association of Black Social Workers

HRM

\$25,000

This video documentary will explore how Kitchen Table Talks are an effective way to address and prevent gender-based violence in the African Nova Scotian community. Women in the community will share their experiences with sexualized and domestic violence. The work of organizations involved with the justice system, including victim support workers, social workers, health professionals, and education stakeholders, will also be highlighted.

Connecting Sexual Health Matters in Nova Scotia

Sexual Health Centre for Cumberland County

Cumberland

\$25,000

The project will share knowledge with educators and partners about how they can engage youth using new approaches to sexual health education and use social media as an intervention tool to prevent violence. It will involve sharing components of the current school-based classroom program with educators, partners, and youth through online presentations, discussion guides, and videos.

Connecting to Coordinate: Working with Victims AND Offenders in High Risk Domestic Violence Cases

Victim Services Volunteer Association (HRP)

HRM

\$25,000

The Domestic Violence Offender Navigator (DVON) Pilot Project is working with offenders in high risk domestic violence cases who accept responsibility for their actions to provide support and navigation. The project builds on the DVON Pilot and will engage with service providers to discuss how a coordinated response to high risk domestic violence can work with both the victim and the accused receiving intervention from a police-based program.

Going Back to Basics: Family Life, Preventing Domestic Violence

Piktukewaq Women's Association

Pictou Landing First Nation

\$24,800

Through monthly activities for women, men, and families that involve learning new skills and encouraging social interaction, this program will help prevent domestic violence by building self-confidence, healthy relationships, and a stronger support network in the community.

GuysWork 7/8: Gendered Healthy Living Classes

St. Francis Xavier University

Nova Scotia

\$25,033

Schools across five Regional Centres for Education will be implementing Healthy Living classes and groups for male identified youth in grades 7 and 8. The next phase of the project will involve sharing the results with facilitators and community organizations to discuss lessons learned, facilitator experiences, and how the work can continue to move forward effectively.

When the Roof Falls In: How violence destabilizes women's housing

YWCA Halifax

HRM

\$24,990

The project involves investigating, and subsequently sharing, how transitional and market housing for women experiencing homelessness can be undone because of domestic violence. Learning from participant stories, the work will inform housing providers on how domestic violence affects housing and seek solutions to the issue of housing destabilization caused by violence.

Prevention Grants

A Youth's Perspective: Engaging Children and Youth in Discussion on Domestic Violence

Naomi Society

Antigonish, Guysborough

\$10,000

The project will take place through in-school lunch programs that will work to interrupt the cycle of violence using a trauma-informed approach and help reduce barriers for boys who are seeking services for school-based healthy relationship programming.

Apakulmut'ek

Indian Brook Native Women's Chapter

Indian Brook/Sipekne'katik

\$9,860

This project will work with Indigenous girls, women, and couples to create traditional ribbon skirts while discussing domestic violence and what can be done to prevent it.

Boys Day: Empowering Boys While Developing Self-Confidence and Healthy Connections

Petite Riviere Elementary School

Petite Riviere
\$3,950

The project aims to offer a fun day of learning for boys in grades 4-6 across the South Shore. Topics for this year may include gender equality, healthy relationships, LGBTQ, internet safety, gaming, and building self-confidence.

Creating New Pathways for African Nova Scotian Boys and Men to Break the Silence About Domestic Violence

East Preston Empowerment Academy
East Preston
\$10,000

The project will bring together African Nova Scotian boys and men to review, uncover, and address the topic of domestic violence, learn how to create healthy relationships, and prevent violence in the community.

Education as Prevention

Alice House
HRM
\$10,000

The project will involve education seminars for various age groups and environments about the complexities of abuse in intimate partner relationships.

Girl on Fire

Shelburne County Youth Health and Support Association
Shelburne
\$8,149.64

This is a 12-week program with an ultimate goal of empowering young women in 2 Shelburne and Lockeport high schools to make healthy life choices.

Hope Soap for Emotional Intelligence

Clifford Street Youth Centre Society
North Sydney
\$7,001

The project will focus on increasing emotional intelligence and self-care practices for youth by working with skilled artisans to create “soap art.”

New Paths

Union of Nova Scotia Indians

5 Mi'kmaw communities in Cape Breton (Eskasoni, Membertou, Potlotek, Wagmatcook, We'koqma'q)
\$10,000

The project will address domestic violence and anger management using the seven sacred teachings and will incorporate both visuals and storytelling designed by a registered psychotherapist with input from Elders, cultural support advisors, community members, and other professional organizations.

Reclaiming Our Roots: Land-Based Learning for Urban Indigenous Youth

Heartwood Centre for Community Youth Development

Halifax

\$10,000

Workshops for Indigenous youth to reclaim their confidence in traditional skills and develop a better understanding of self. Workshops offer an opportunity for gathering, empowerment and the space to hold conversations on healthy relationships, community, and healing, as well as how to better address and prevent the impacts of violence on Indigenous women.

Slut: The Play

Pictou County Women's Resource and Sexual Assault Centre

Pictou County

\$7,850

The play is inspired by real experiences of high school students with sexual assault, and explores gender norms, rape culture, and healthy sexuality. The project aims to have 4 performances of the play. Following each of the four performances, there will be conversations about available community resources and supports.

Violence Resistance in Youth

South West Nova Transition House Association (Juniper House)

Yarmouth, Shelburne, Digby

\$10,000

The project will develop a youth advisory group through high schools in Shelburne County to determine the impacts and realities of violence for those who identify as women and live in rural Nova Scotia.

Youth Violence Prevention and Building Healthy Relationships

Hope Blooms Youth Social Entrepreneurial Ventures

North End Halifax

\$10,000

The project will facilitate discussions for youth involved in the Hope Blooms program about dating violence, gender stereotypes, sexual violence, and healthy relationships. It will also assist youth with

civic engagement, teach media literacy, and encourage the creation of alternative forms of media for girls and young women.

Shift Grants

Shift -2019

Black Men and Boys Nonviolence Project

Association of Black Social Workers

North Preston, East Preston, Cherrybrook, Halifax

\$75,000

The project seeks to encourage men to take an active role in ending violence against women by reviewing what healthy relationships and communication look like, how to have and show respect for women and girls, and learn how to model respectful behavior with other men and boys.

Ending Domestic Violence Starts with Me

Nova Scotia Native Women's Association

Nova Scotia

\$75,000

The project intends to prevent violence against Mi'kmaq women by using intergenerational learning and cultural reintegration to strengthen sense of self and belonging.

Engaging Mi'kmaq Men and Boys to End Domestic Violence

Membertou Men's Society

Membertou

\$58,000

This project will engage men and boys in Membertou to stand up against family violence towards women and children in the community by engaging them in cultural activities, reconnecting with traditional roles, and development of a cultural campaign to honour, respect, and protect women and children in the community.

Halifax Regional Police Victims Services Domestic Violence Offender Navigator Pilot Project

Victim Services Volunteer Association

HRM

\$75,000

This project will create a Domestic Violence Offender Navigator pilot program. Navigators are additional advocates who will support offenders with help accessing counselling, housing support if they have to leave the home, and help find solutions for offenders to continue providing financial support to their children.

GuysWork: Grade 7

Bridges Institute

Truro, Halifax

\$75,000

The project will help grade 7 boys examine masculinity and its connection to intimate partner violence at an age where pressures and expectations around unhelpful masculinity are beginning to surface and certain behaviors are becoming normalized.

Last Taboo: African Canadian Women and Girls Confronting Domestic Violence in the Community

Descendants of African Americans Enslaved Living in Nova Scotia

North Preston

\$69,000

The project will address domestic violence awareness, cultural identity, self-esteem, legal knowledge, and culturally specific strength-based approaches to addressing prevention through a series of African Nova Scotian women talking circles, a platform for women and girls to openly and freely discuss this topic while educating participants with important resources. A documentary will also be created.

My Voice Matters: Supporting and Engaging Young Women to End Domestic Violence

YWCA Halifax

Nova Scotia

\$74,997.06

This project focuses on developing community-based supports for young women who are leaving domestic violence situations, including leveraging the December 6 Fund which provides interest-free micro-loans to women leaving domestic violence.

Not Without Us: Shifting the Response for Women with Disabilities Experiencing Domestic Violence

Easter Seals Nova Scotia

Halifax Regional Municipality, Truro, Amherst, Sydney, Yarmouth

\$74,990

The project will hire a coordinator who will organize comprehensive conversations in 5 areas of Nova Scotia to turn participants' words into action for the thousands of women living with disabilities who experience or are vulnerable to domestic violence.

Strait Area Healthy Relationships: Engaging Men and Boys

Family Service of Eastern Nova Scotia
Antigonish, Guysborough, Richmond, Inverness
\$75,000

The project's primary focus is school-based peer-facilitated programming, after-school youth engagement programming, drop-in social inclusion sessions for men, and systems navigation family violence supports for men and boys. Subjects include healthy relationships, informed consent, well-being, physical exercise, nutrition and cooking, employment skills, budgeting, free personal hygiene appointments, and coordinating domestic violence services and referrals.

Way Forward: Understanding Healthy Masculinity

Eskasoni Mental Health Services
Eskasoni
\$75,000

The project will initiate a weekly discussion group program in Eskasoni for boys aged 11-14 and men aged 18-35 to normalize help-seeking behavior and build a better understanding of boys' and men's holistic health in line with the social determinants of First Nations wellness and related indicators of such wellness.

Shift - 2020

Caring Dads: Prioritizing Mother & Child Safety

John Howard Society of Nova Scotia
Nova Scotia
\$75,000

Focused on the intersection of domestic violence and fatherhood through a feminist, women-centred lens, this project will provide support and healing to fathers who have used violence, while holding them accountable, to keep women and children safe. Participants will receive a combination of interventions aimed at breaking the cycle of violence, including counselling supports from partnering organizations.

Community Connection: Alice on the Go

Alice House
HRM
\$75,000

The project will provide additional support and accessible educational prevention programming to community organizations in HRM who work directly with women and families impacted by domestic

violence. The project will enhance the current program to help families who have not reached out for support, and who may not have an in-depth understanding of how abuse can present itself in relationships.

GBV System: Community of Practice

Be the Peace Institute

Nova Scotia

\$75,000

The project involves creating a Community of Practice for organizations across the sector to work together to shift the major root causes of gender-based violence. The Community of Practice will be an innovation lab that will provide an infrastructure for learning, knowledge exchange, shared sense-making, and strengthening of organizations' collective capacity for transformational change in preventing gender-based violence.

HEIRS: Healthy Education for Interpersonal Relationship Skills

Direction 180: Mi'kmaw Native Friendship Centre

HRM

\$74,548

The project will offer peer-informed educational workshops about healthy relationships, domestic violence, boundary setting, and communication skills for people who use substances. Each workshop will provide adequate space to ensure safe and respectful discussion among participants. The project will help clients as they face barriers in accessing services due to stigma related to their substance use.

Integrating Trauma Recovery: Improving Domestic Violence Court Interventions

Elizabeth Fry Society of Cape Breton

Sydney

\$70,750

This project will transform the two court-mandated programs to include addressing the trauma that women who are charged in Domestic Violence Court often experience. It will integrate trauma-specific interventions to support women with traumatic experiences, relationship dysfunction, mental health issues, and criminality. As a result, the women will be better prepared to change their aggressive reactions, begin the trauma healing process, and seek out victim support services.

It's Your Choice: A Teen Dating and Peer violence Intervention and Prevention Program

YMCA of Southwest Nova Scotia

Lunenburg County

\$75,000

Using a community-based intervention approach to address the issue of teen dating and peer violence, this project will focus on school-based inclusive peer facilitated programming, after school youth life

skills, and adult support network training and workshops. The project will teach teens about positive intervention techniques and skills needed to be supportive first responders with friends and classmates who they may suspect are in abusive relationships or friendships.

Love is Not Abuse

Coverdale Courtwork Society

HRM

\$25,600

Designed to inspire individual and systemic change toward healthier relationships using both real and fictional stories, this project draws on the motivating power of texts to build reading, writing, and analysis skills. This learning tool will help students understand, and develop tools for preventing and responding to, teen dating abuse, enabling them to reach out to provide support to their peers and promote healthier approaches to relationships.

Promoting Healthy Relationships with Immigrant Families

Immigrant Services Association of Nova Scotia

Nova Scotia

\$74,998

The project will engage immigrants, with a special focus on men, to build better domestic violence prevention strategies that address the unique context newcomer families settling in Nova Scotia. Using adult education and trauma-informed principles, the project will introduce topics such as Canadian family laws, services in the community, and changing roles within newcomer families to help immigrant women and men reflect on, and explore, their identity and roles within their family in the settlement context and as it relates to their belief system and cultural values.

Reclaiming Our Roots: Land Based Learning and Community Stewardship

Heartwood Centre for Community Development

Halifax

\$75,000

The Mi'kmaq led project will promote culturally relevant strength-based approaches to addressing domestic violence and fostering healthy relationships through land-based learning opportunities. Through mentorship and workshops, youth will embark on a journey of decolonization by reclaiming their confidence in traditional skills and developing a better understanding of self and their roles as stewards of the land.

Truro and Colchester Domestic Violence High Risk Team (DVHRT) Coordinator

Bridges Institute

Truro, Colchester

\$75,000

Working closely with police, the new Truro Colchester Domestic Violence High Risk Team Coordinator will support people who are accused of using domestic violence while holding them responsible and accountable, and offer counselling supports to both the accused and the victims. The coordinator will also support the accused to access and obtain the support he needs to be successful on his journey to stopping his abuse.

Unlocking Hope: A Housing First Approach to Supporting Survivors of Family Violence

Adsum Association for Women & Children

HRM

\$75,000

The project will develop and implement a trauma-informed Housing First model to address the lack of safe housing as a reason why survivors stay in abusive relationships. It will help families who experience domestic violence as they work toward self-determination and reconnection. The project will work closely with key community partners, such as landlords, to build an understanding of the inherent risks for families experiencing domestic violence.

Collaboration Grants

Almost Home

Every Woman's Centre

Sydney

This project will test and support a program model providing long-term supports to vulnerable and at-risk women experiencing housing insecurity.

Barb's Bench Program Design

Silent Witness Nova Scotia

HRM

This project will provide an online toolkit to help people who want to create and dedicate a bench in memory of a woman who lost her life to domestic violence. The toolkit, available on <http://silentwitnessnovascotia.ca/> explains how people can start a Silent Witness chapter.

Building Capacity through Restorative Healing Practices and Organizational Development

Halifax Transition House Association (Bryony House)

HRM

This project will help Bryony House better understand and respond to the impacts of systemic racism, and the barriers faced by Black, Indigenous, and people of colour. This will help in creating more responsive services and supports to all women and their children.

Building Communities of Care to Prevent, Support and Provide a Continuum of Care in Response to Intimate Partner Violence

Halifax Transition House Association (Bryony House)
HRM

This project will support the Halifax Transition House Association in developing new skills to better serve women and families dealing with intimate partner violence.

Capacity Building and Policy Integration Project

Leaside Society & Strait Area Women's Place
Port Hawkesbury

This funding will help Leaside Society make investments to improve the services they provide to women and teen girls at the Strait Area Women's Place and Leaside Transition House.

Collaborative Approach for a Mi'kmaq-led Media Campaign to Raise Awareness about Human Trafficking and Sexual Exploitation

Nova Scotia Native Women's Association
Nova Scotia

The Nova Scotia Native Women Association and the Trafficking Exploitation Service System (TESS) will work with Mi'kmaq communities to develop posters and handouts in the Mi'kmaq language to help increase awareness about human trafficking and sexual exploitation.

Community Engagement with the Domestic Violence Court Program Collaborating to Build Capacity

Alice House
HRM

This project will use the power of collaboration to make the Halifax Domestic Violence Court stronger and more effective as a court team serving women and families impacted by domestic violence.

Creating Communities of Care Through a Customary Law Approach

Association of Black Social Workers, Elizabeth Fry Society of Mainland NS, Mi'kmaw Native Friendship Centre, Mi'kmaw Legal Support Network
HRM

This project will work to provide better support to urban Indigenous and African Nova Scotian women and their families from communities who have experienced gender-based violence. It is a co-investment initiative funded by NS Status of Women and Women & Gender Equality Canada.

Domestic Violence Leave Online Training Module

Department of Labour, Skills, and Immigration
Nova Scotia

This project involves developing an online training module with information on Nova Scotia's domestic violence leave legislation for employers.

Domestic Violence Training Framework

Department of Justice
Nova Scotia

This funding will support the redesign and development of an enhanced provincial domestic violence training program. The training audience will be frontline first responders and service providers assisting in intimate partner violence situations.

Doula Program

Wellness Within (formerly Women's Wellness Within)
Sydney & Eskasoni

Through this project, the Doulas of North America (DONA) will offer their certified Birth Doula Training Program to marginalized and criminalized women, and transgender individuals, in Sydney and Eskasoni.

Evaluation and Learning Framework Design & Implementation

Saint Mary's University
Nova Scotia

This project will develop and implement a learning and evaluation framework to capture insights and learnings from Standing Together projects and initiatives.

Exploration of a Continuum of Care for Gender-Based Violence in the Community

Women's Centres Connect

Nova Scotia

This project will map the role of Women's Centres in the continuum of care based on women served by Women's Centres Connect by examining the journey of women and service providers in cases related to issues relevant to the women they serve.

Exploration of Rural Services in Domestic Violence Project

Naomi Society

Antigonish

This project will evaluate Naomi Society's current outreach model to enhance and further develop violence prevention work.

Family Led Decision Making Proof of Concept

Department of Community Services

Nova Scotia

This project will design, build, and implement a concept to provide family group conferencing to families involved in the child protection system who have had experiences with domestic violence.

Foster Care for Sexually Exploited Youth

Department of Community Services

Nova Scotia

This project will design, build, and implement a financial model proof of concept for foster families who support youth that have been sexually exploited, and exposed to domestic and relational violence.

GirlsWork: Companion Guide

Bridges Institute

Nova Scotia

This project will adapt GuysWork lessons for girls in grades 5-9. The lessons will focus on prevention by addressing factors that contribute to the cycle of domestic violence.

GuysWork: Enhanced Evaluation

St. Francis Xavier University
Antigonish

The project will evaluate the interview and survey data from the Grade 7/8 guys' groups in schools across the province. The hope is that the findings will show that the program has the ability to shift guys' thinking around important topics like consent, pornography, drug use, help-seeking, and traditional masculinity norms.

GuysWork: Nova Scotia Pilot

Bridges Institute
Nova Scotia

This project will evaluate the current GuysWork curriculum, and develop new content for implementation across Nova Scotia, and to be expanded through the Atlantic Canada pilot project.

Highest Risk Domestic Violence Table Prototype: Safety Outcomes Advisor

Transition House Association of Nova Scotia, Department of Justice
Nova Scotia

The project provides support for a safety outcomes advisor position with the Transition House Association of Nova Scotia. The role will support the design and testing of a provincial multi-agency risk assessment and response model for high-risk domestic violence cases.

Holiday Public Relations Campaign

Transition House Association of Nova Scotia
Nova Scotia

This project will support the Transition House Association of Nova Scotia (THANS) holiday social media campaign to raise awareness about transition houses and the services they offer. Results and insights gathered from the campaign will be used for future initiatives.

Intergenerational Connector Project

Preston Board of Trade
Preston

This community-based project will bring together senior women and youth to share knowledge and building understanding.

Intimate Partner Violence App Development

Halifax Transition House Association (Bryony House)

HRM

This project involves developing an app to help women access the supports they need when they aren't safe. The project will work with government, community public safety partners, and women who have experienced intimate partner violence to ensure that the app meets their needs.

Managing Transformative Organizational Change

Halifax Transition House Association (Bryony House)

HRM

This project supports Bryony House in creating a new service model in their new shelter that includes a playroom therapy program and a new teen room.

Mapping Gaps in Interventions and Services for Criminalized Women

Elizabeth Fry Society of Cape Breton

Cape Breton

This project will identify gaps in services for criminalized women to help government and community-based organizations focused on domestic violence prevention to better respond to the needs of criminalized women.

Men's Intervention Program Update Project

Autumn House

Amherst

This funding will support updating Autumn House's men's abuse intervention program with a focus on supporting men to take responsibility to stop the abuse and help repair harm.

Men's, Women's and All Genders Helplines

Family Service of Eastern Nova Scotia, 211 Nova Scotia, Department of Community Services, Status of Women

Nova Scotia

This funding will support the creation and piloting of 211's Men's helpline, and the expansion of services for women and people of all genders. By contacting 211, adult Nova Scotians will be able to access a variety of supports and services that are specific to their needs. The helplines are barrier-free, confidential, and give Nova Scotians access to the supports they need, 24/7.

MMIWG Engagement Support

Nova Scotia Native Women's Association
Nova Scotia

This funding will support ongoing engagement and steps to respond to the Calls for Justice from the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls.

Models of Service Delivery in Violence-Against-Women Organizations

Transition House Association of Nova Scotia
Nova Scotia

This project will identify and build on effective service delivery models used by violence against women organizations.

Not Without Us Government Community Response

Nova Scotia Accessibility Directorate
Nova Scotia

This collaboration between government and community-based organizations serving women and those with disabilities will address accessibility barriers identified in the Not Without Us report.

Not Without Us Public Awareness Campaign

Nova Scotia League for Equal Opportunities
Nova Scotia

This awareness campaign will bring attention to the Not Without Us report. The report documents the barriers faced by women living with disabilities living with, and/or trying to leave domestic violence.

Nova Scotia Indigenous Artists E-Commerce Website Demonstration Project

Nova Scotia Native Women's Association
Nova Scotia

This is an important step towards responding to the Calls for Justice. This project will help support the development of an e-commerce website for Indigenous female-identifying artists to help improve the economic security and safety of Indigenous women and girls, called the Sistersness Trading Post.

NS Women in 2020 Summit Design & Facilitation

Be the Peace Institute

Nova Scotia

This project will explore our province's path to gender equity and gender justice by looking at where we are now, where we are going, and how we plan to get there.

Resilience Centre: Feasibility Study & Schematic Design

Nova Scotia Native Women's Association

Millbrook First Nation

This funding will be used to complete the design and planning components of the Resilience Centre, a healing and wellness centre for Indigenous women and their families.

Safer Spaces Housing Supports for Sexually Exploited Youth: Proof of Concept Research & Implementation

YWCA Halifax

HRM

This project will involve designing and putting in place an emergency/crisis housing model for victims of sexual exploitation and trafficking.

Shelter Movers: Nova Scotia Chapter

Shelter Movers

HRM

Shelter Movers, a volunteer charitable organization that provides free moving and storage services to women and children leaving abuse. This funding supports their work.

Strategic Alice

Alice House

HRM

This project will support Alice House development of a five-year strategic plan. This plan will ground the next five years of work and growth for Alice House.

Strengthening Fathers Training and Consultation

Bridges Institute & Department of Community Services

Nova Scotia

This project will support ongoing professional development and capacity building of service providers who are delivering the Strengthening Fathers program.

Strengthening Organizational Capacity to Respond to Systemic Racism

Halifax Transition House Association (Bryony House)
HRM

This project will support Bryony House in better understanding and responding to the impacts of systemic racism and the barriers faced by Black, Indigenous, and people of colour to help them provide more responsive services and supports to all women and their children.

Supporting Organizational Stability, Enhancing Resources to Support Shelter Housing

Halifax Transition House Association (Bryony House)
HRM

This project will help build capacity for Bryony House to continue offering services to women and their children

Supporting Trans, Non-Binary, and Gender Diverse Communities: A Guide for Employers and Service Providers

Legal Information Society of Nova Scotia
Nova Scotia

This project will build a better understanding of the experiences and needs of the 2SLGBTQ+ community and help to identify supports, gaps, and opportunities to create safer spaces for all Nova Scotians.

Sustainable Data Management for Women-Serving Organizations

Transition House Association of Nova Scotia, Women's Centres Connect, Alice House, Affordable Housing Association of Nova Scotia
Nova Scotia

This project will develop the capacity for effective province-wide data management from women's shelters, women's centres, and second-stage housing organizations with the ability to produce regular, accurate reports on services provided to clients. The funding will provide development support, build capacity and skills, and develop a community of practice on data collection using the Homeless Individuals and Families Information System (HIFIS).

Update of Three Key Publications to Help Victims of Domestic Violence and Achieve Cultural Change

Legal Information Society of Nova Scotia, Status of Women
Nova Scotia

This project will work with subject matter experts to update the content and design of Making Changes; Neighbours, Friends & Families; and Guide for Girls, incorporating the perspectives and needs of diverse communities in the three publications.