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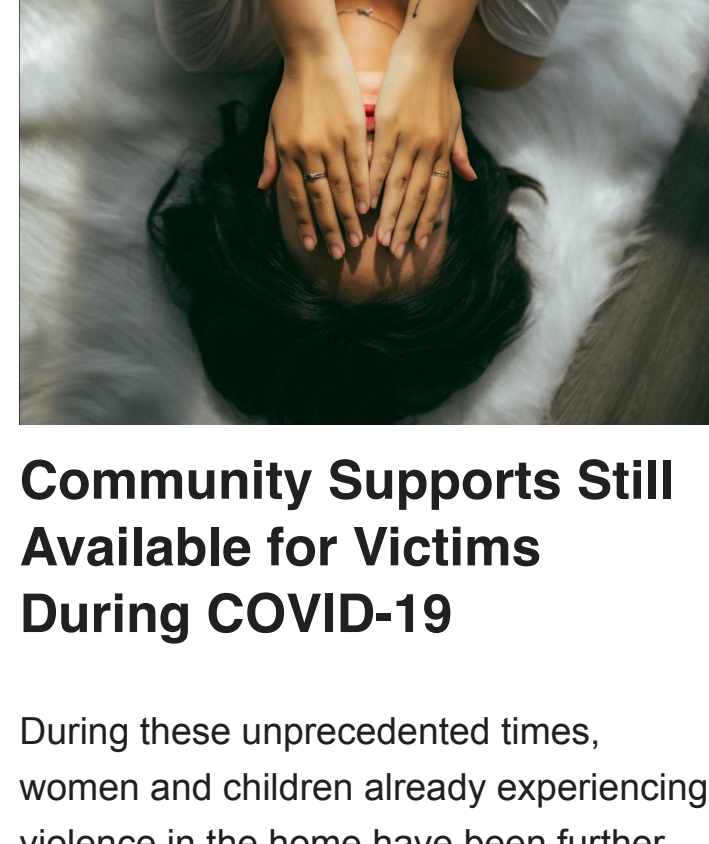


RESOLVE Network Update



Impact of COVID-19 on Domestic Violence in Canada

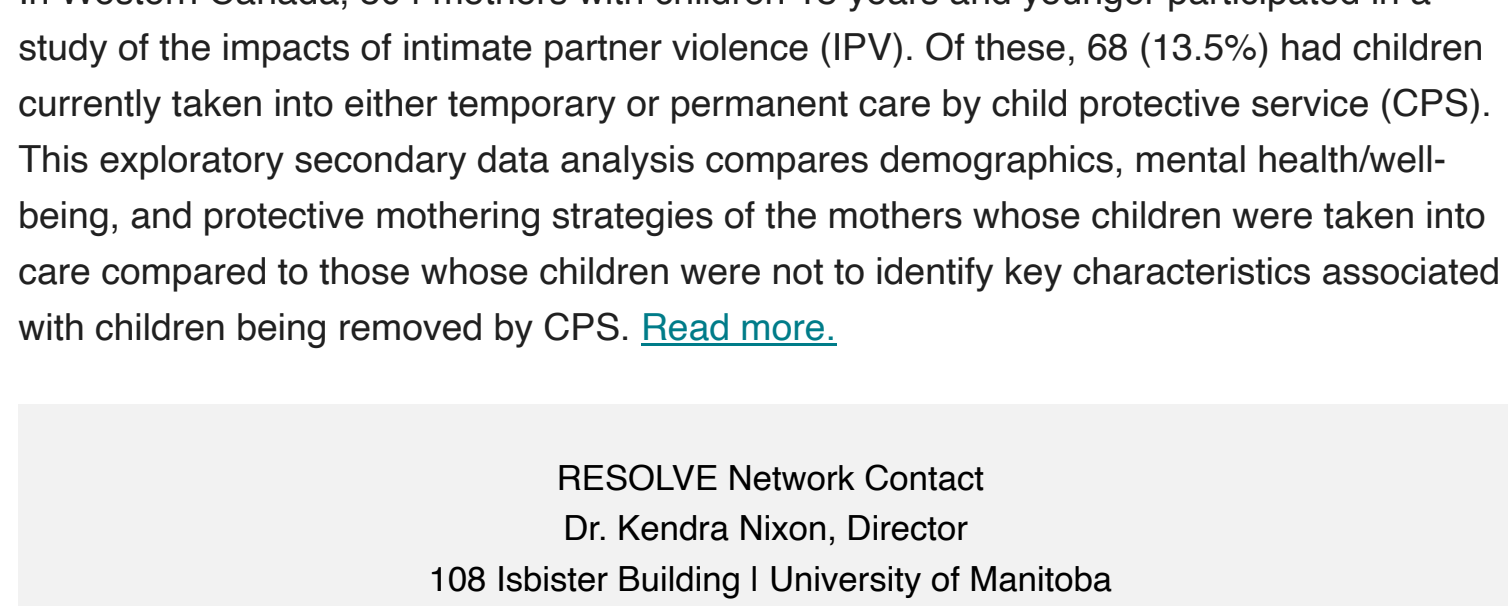
While we all grapple with the feelings of frustration and despair about this present global health crisis, the necessary public measures, such as quarantines and the closing of daycares, schools and workplaces are increasing the risk of violence for many victims who remain isolated at home with their abuser ([Ending Violence Canada](#), 2020). The most recent 2018 statistics from police-reported violence in Canada give us [read more](#).



Community Supports Still Available for Victims During COVID-19

During these unprecedented times, women and children already experiencing violence in the home have been further impacted as a result of the lockdown measures established in response to COVID-19. Women and their children who are victimized by their intimate partners remain isolated at home with fewer options of support and safety. This is alarming given that prior to COVID-19 the domestic violence and child [read more](#).

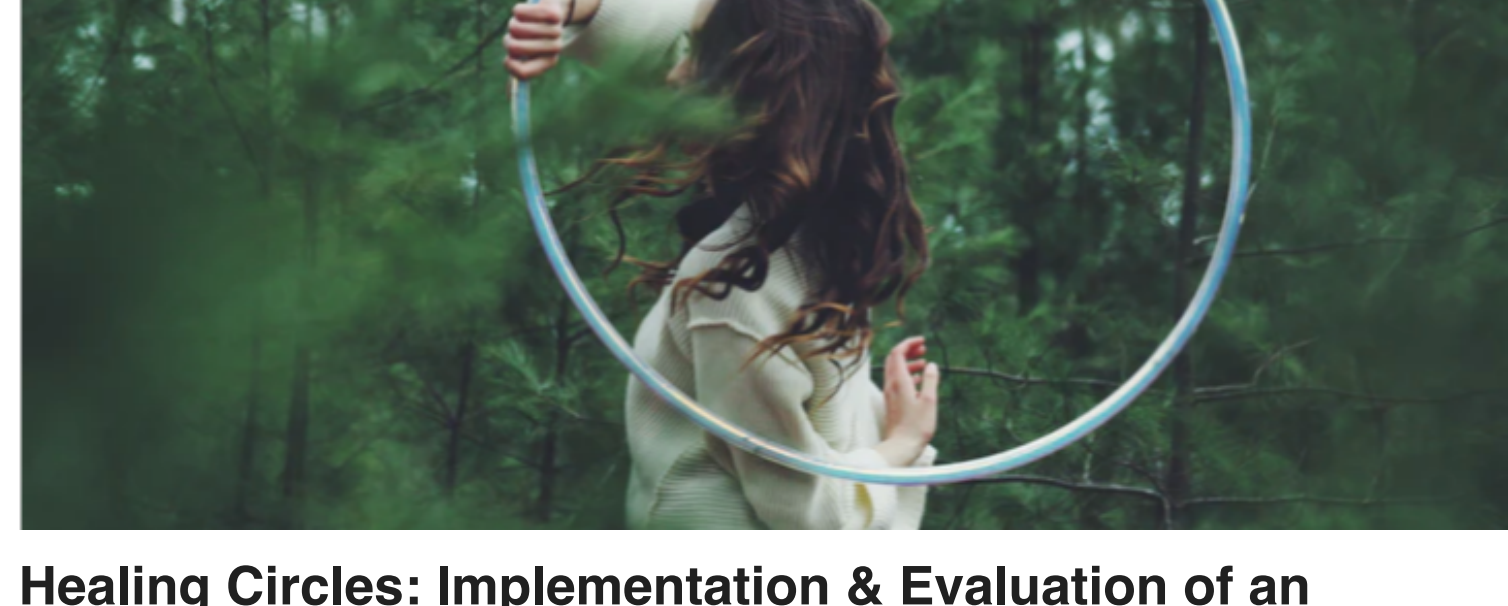
More Research From the Healing Journey Study, Mothers Abused by Intimate Partners: Comparisons of Those with Children Placed by Child Protective Services and Those Without by Dr. Leslie Tutty and Dr. Kendra Nixon



In Western Canada, 504 mothers with children 18 years and younger participated in a study of the impacts of intimate partner violence (IPV). Of these, 68 (13.5%) had children currently taken into either temporary or permanent care by child protective service (CPS). This exploratory secondary data analysis compares demographics, mental health/well-being, and protective mothering strategies of the mothers whose children were taken into care compared to those whose children were not to identify key characteristics associated with children being removed by CPS. [Read more](#).

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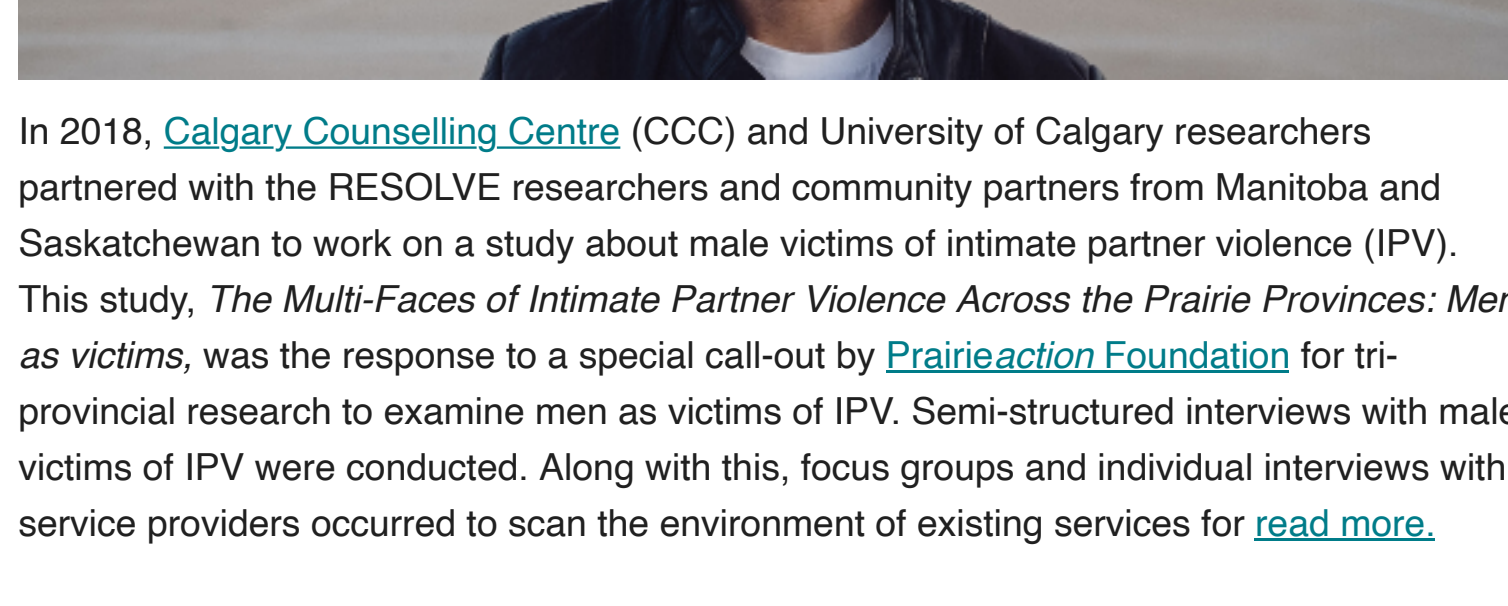
RESOLVE Alberta Update



Healing Circles: Implementation & Evaluation of an Intervention for Indigenous Mothers & Children Affected by Intimate Partner Violence

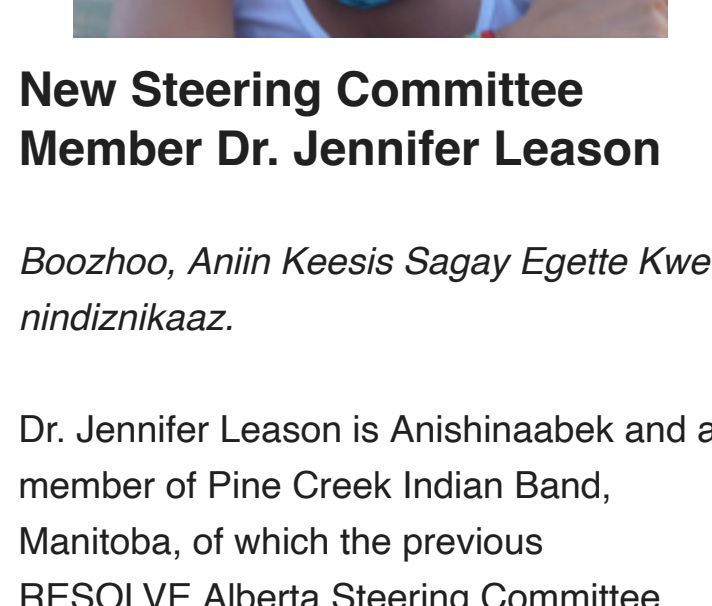
In Canada, Indigenous women are four times more likely to experience intimate partner violence (IPV) than non-Indigenous women. These inequities need to be understood within the context of Canadian colonization and the intergenerational effects of the traumas experienced by previous generations of families and communities. Women survivors of IPV are at elevated risk for a variety of physical and psychological problems, which may also impact their parenting. Children exposed to IPV are 5 to 7 times more likely to experience a wide variety of emotional and behavioral problems in the short term and over their lifetime, compared to unexposed children. They are also at greater risk of continuing the cycle of violence later in adulthood than children who have [read more](#).

Intimate Partner Violence and Men as Victims by: Dr. Amy Bender and Dr. Robbie Babins-Wagner



In 2018, [Calgary Counselling Centre](#) (CCC) and University of Calgary researchers partnered with the RESOLVE researchers and community partners from Manitoba and Saskatchewan to work on a study about male victims of intimate partner violence (IPV). This study, *The Multi-Faces of Intimate Partner Violence Across the Prairie Provinces: Men as victims*, was the response to a special call-out by [PrairieAction Foundation](#) for tri-provincial research to examine men as victims of IPV. Semi-structured interviews with male victims of IPV were conducted. Along with this, focus groups and individual interviews with service providers occurred to scan the environment of existing services for [read more](#).

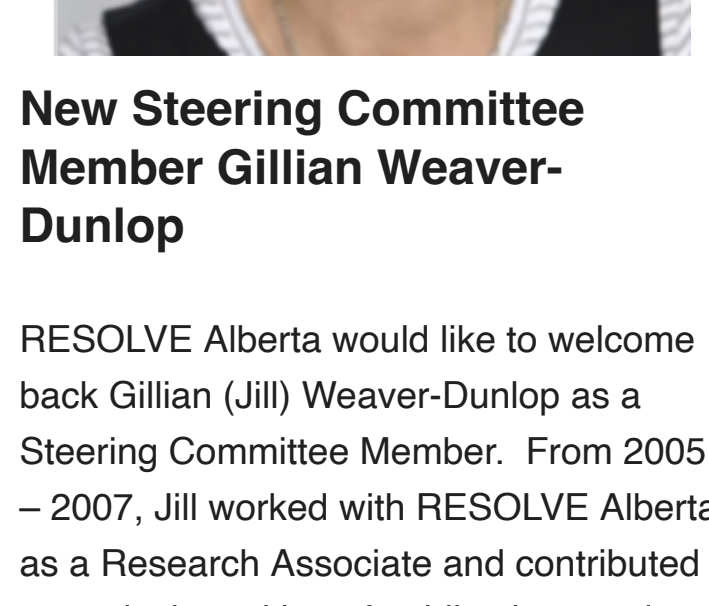
RESOLVE Alberta Welcomes New Steering Committee Members



New Steering Committee Member Dr. Jennifer Leason

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Dr. Jennifer Leason is Anishinaabek and a member of Pine Creek Indian Band, Manitoba, of which the previous RESOLVE Alberta Steering Committee Member Josie Nepinak is also a member. Dr. Leason was gifted the Anishinaabek name *First Shining Rays of Sunlight Woman* in 2017 in honor of completing a doctorate from the University of British Columbia. [Read more](#).

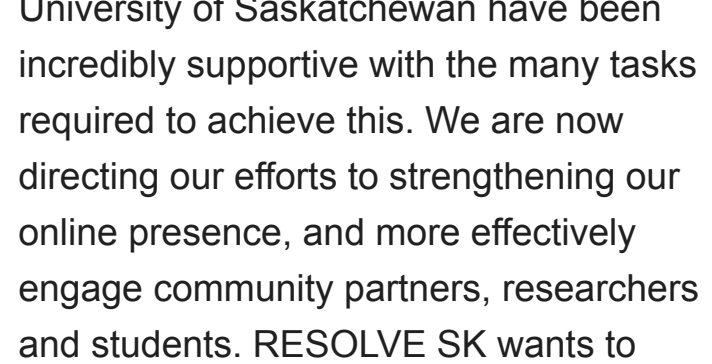


New Steering Committee Member Gillian Weaver-Dunlop

RESOLVE Alberta would like to welcome back Gillian (Jill) Weaver-Dunlop as a Steering Committee Member. From 2005 – 2007, Jill worked with RESOLVE Alberta as a Research Associate and contributed towards the writing of publications and presentations on family violence. She also contributed family violence handbooks such as “Choosing to Change – A Handbook for Men who are Concerned About their Abusive Behaviours”, “Honouring [read more](#).”

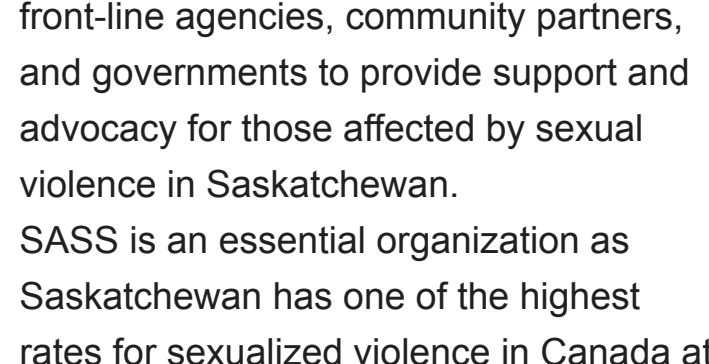
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RESOLVE Saskatchewan Update



RESOLVE SK Update

This winter has been full for RESOLVE Saskatchewan. The [website](#) and email address have launched, the folks at the University of Saskatchewan have been incredibly supportive with the many tasks required to achieve this. We are now directing our efforts to strengthening our online presence, and more effectively engage community partners, researchers and students. RESOLVE SK wants to thank the two RESOLVE SK graduate students, Morgana Machea [read more](#).



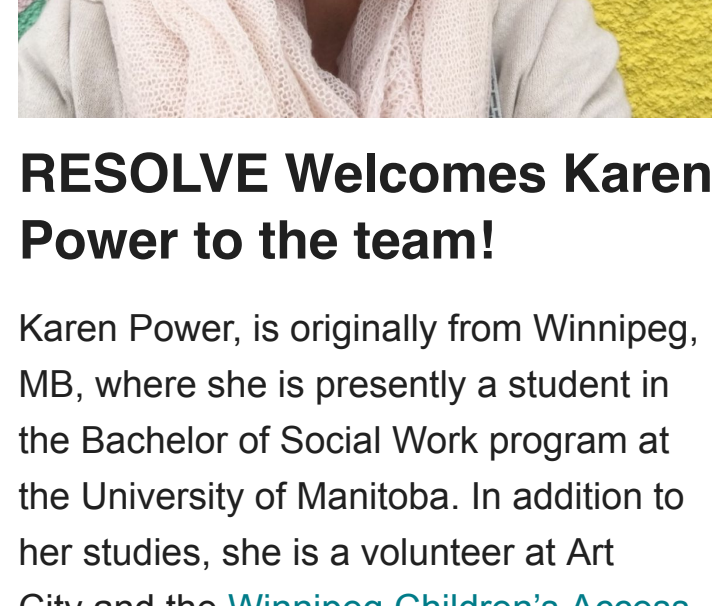
Working Together

[Sexual Assault Services of Saskatchewan \(SASS\)](#) is a provincial non-profit organization that works collectively with front-line agencies, community partners, and governments to provide support and advocacy for those affected by sexual violence in Saskatchewan. SASS is an essential organization as Saskatchewan has one of the highest rates for sexualized violence in Canada at an estimated victimization rate of 104 incidents per 100,000, and [read more](#).

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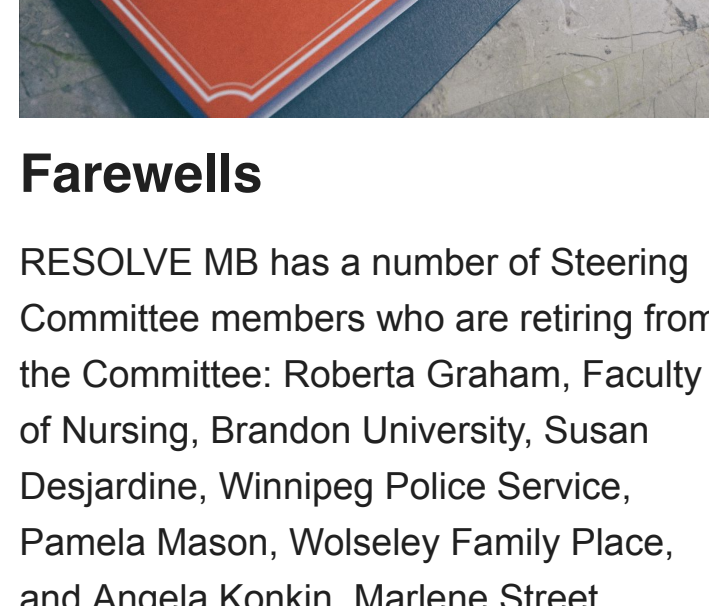
RESOLVE Manitoba Update

Like other organizations, RESOLVE Manitoba had to significantly change how we work in the current COVID-19 environment, including working from home, hosting virtual meetings, and moving data collection to online formats. Overall, we think our Centre has adapted to this new reality very well. We are disturbed to hear how victims and survivors are further impacted by the pandemic, including being at heightened risk of assault as they continue to be exposed to their partners' violent behaviours with little opportunity for safety, protection, or even respite. We continue to share information about COVID-19 and the impact on survivors and service providers through our social media channels.



RESOLVE Welcomes Karen Power to the team!

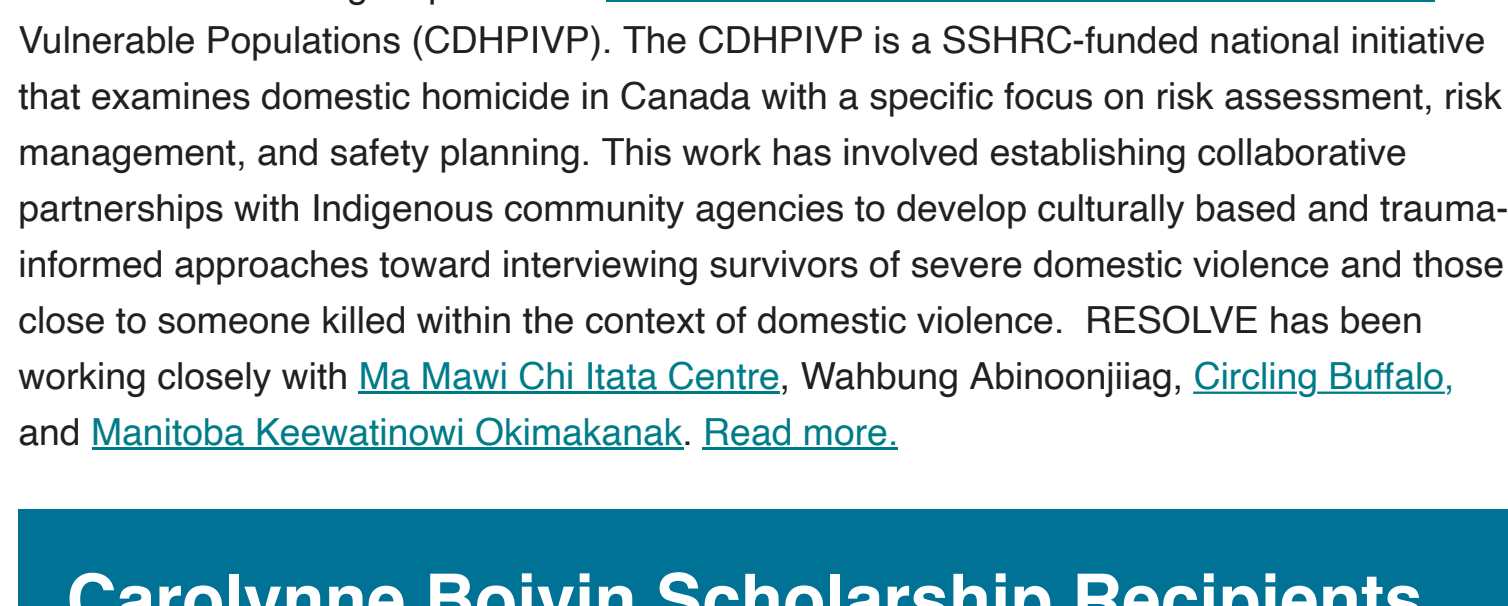
Karen Power, is originally from Winnipeg, MB, where she is presently a student in the Bachelor of Social Work program at the University of Manitoba. In addition to her studies, she is a volunteer at Art City and the [Winnipeg Children's Access Agency](#). Karen is also an active member of the Social Work Student's Association where she recently had accepted the position of Programmer following her term serving as Secretary. Karen is [read more](#).



Farewells

RESOLVE MB has a number of Steering Committee members who are retiring from the Committee: Roberta Graham, Faculty of Nursing, Brandon University, Susan Desjardine, Winnipeg Police Service, Pamela Mason, Wolsley Family Place, and Angela Konklin, Marlene Street Community Resource Centre. We thank these Steering Committee members for their commitment and dedication to RESOLVE Manitoba and the Network over the [read more](#).

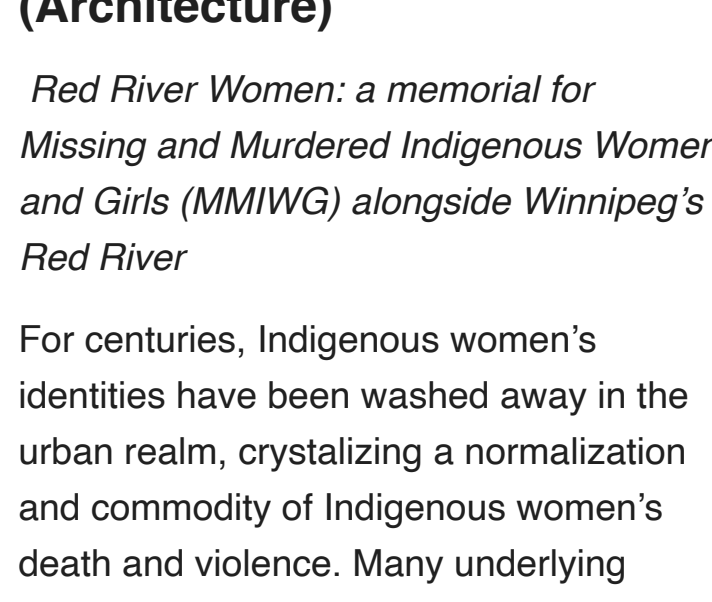
Canadian Domestic Homicide Prevention Initiative with Vulnerable Populations (CDHPVP)



RESOLVE is working as part of the [Canadian Domestic Homicide Prevention Initiative with Vulnerable Populations \(CDHPVP\)](#). The CDHPVP is a SSHRC-funded national initiative that examines domestic homicide in Canada with a specific focus on risk assessment, risk management, and safety planning. This work has involved establishing collaborative partnerships with Indigenous community agencies to develop culturally based and trauma-informed approaches toward interviewing survivors of severe domestic violence and those close to someone killed within the context of domestic violence. RESOLVE has been working closely with [Ma Mawi Oki Itata Centre](#), Wabung Abinoonjiing, [Circling Buffalo](#), and [Manitoba Keewatinowik Okimakanak](#). [Read more](#).

Carolynne Boivin Scholarship Recipients

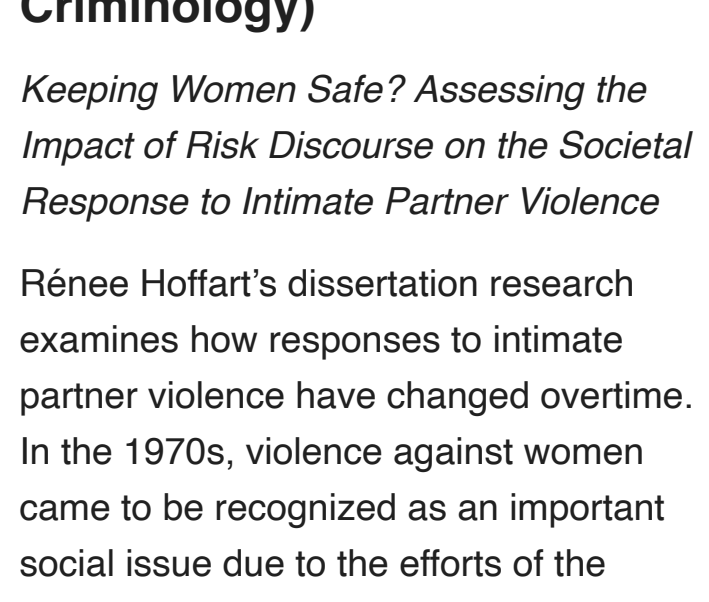
Congratulations to University of Manitoba graduate students Desire Theriault, Renée Hoffart, and Amanda Smith the recipients of the Carolynne Boivin Scholarship for Research on Family and Gender-Based Violence (Winter 2020 competition).



Desire Theriault (Architecture)

Red River Women: a memorial for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls (MMIWG) alongside Winnipeg's Red River

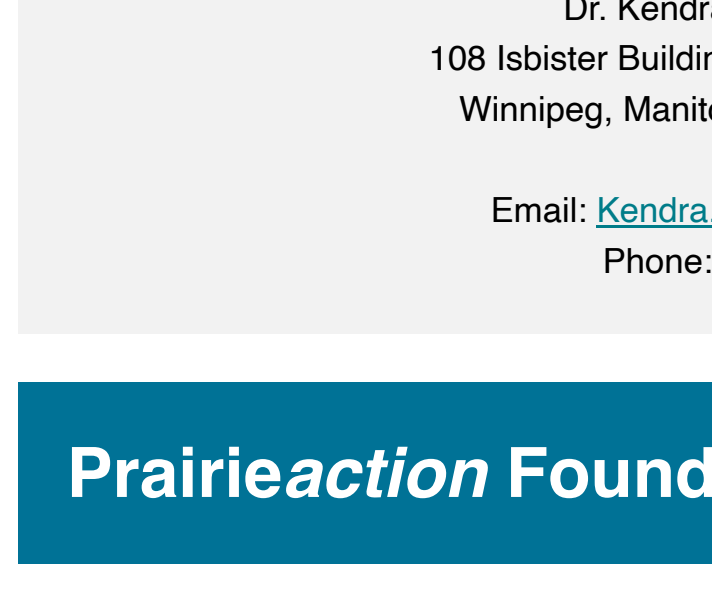
For centuries, Indigenous women's identities have been washed away in the urban realm, crystalizing a normalization and commodification of Indigenous women's death and violence. Many underlying factors contribute to their victimization, from racism and sexism to spatially oppressive factors such as poverty, homelessness, and the legacy of colonialism. However, much of this marginalization has been perpetuated by the continued [read more](#).



Renée Hoffart (Sociology & Criminology)

Keeping Women Safe? Assessing the Impact of Risk Discourse on the Societal Response to Intimate Partner Violence

Renée Hoffart's dissertation research examines how responses to intimate partner violence have changed overtime. In the 1970s, violence against women came to be recognized as an important social issue due to the efforts of the Violence Against Women (VAW) Movement. A women-centered approach that emphasized women's perspectives and experiences was central to this initial response to violence against women. [Read more](#).



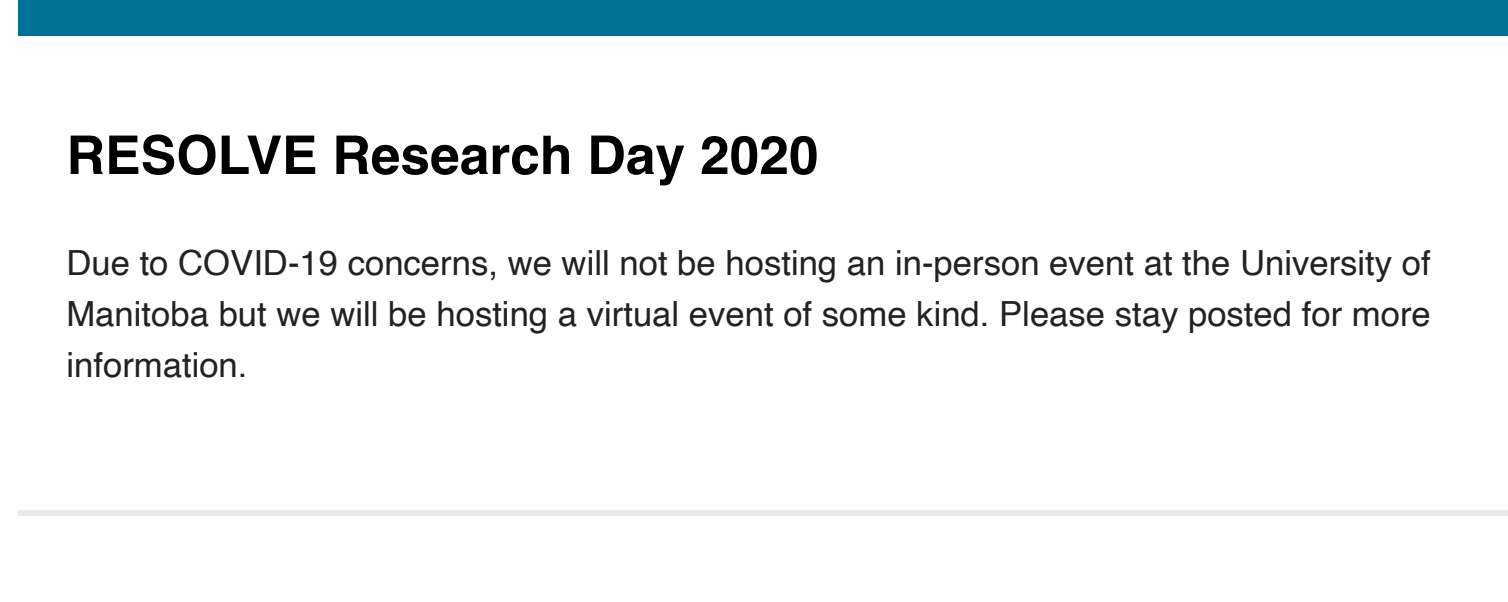
Amanda Smith (Master of Social Work based in Indigenous Knowledge Program)

Indigenous Women Healing from Intergenerational and Cumulative Trauma

Indigenous women are considered the heart of the community they represent the sacred fire which is set in the center of the community. Indigenous women are the first caregivers and teachers. Indigenous women of all generations have been subjected to horrendous oppressions at the hands of colonial tactics. In this modern era the effects of [read more](#).

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Prairieaction Foundation



Recipients of the 2019-2020 Youth Leadership Award

Prairieaction Foundation congratulates the recipients of the 2019-2020 Youth Leadership Award (YLA). This award is presented to groups of youth who have developed initiatives to raise awareness about violence and abuse, promote healthy relationships, and/or prevent violence in their communities. The YLA recipients receive a grant of up to \$3,000.00 to continue or expand their efforts to end the cycle of violence. [Read more](#).

Announcements & Upcoming Events

RESOLVE Research Day 2020

Due to COVID-19 concerns, we will not be hosting an in-person event at the University of Manitoba but we will be hosting a virtual event of some kind. Please stay posted for more information.

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