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Mental Health for Victims and Survivors,
Homicide Investigation, Human Trafficking, Co-Victimization,
Financial Assistance for Victims of Crime, and Restorative Justice

Trainer Biographies

Emma Brown: Restitution Unit, Vermont Center for Crime Victim Services

Emma has been a Collections Case Manager at Vermont's Restitution Unit for almost a year. She graduated with a Bachelors of Science in Criminal Justice from Mansfield University of Pennsylvania. She is now working towards a Masters Degree in Criminology from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. (802)241-4688 x 201, emma.brown@vru.state.vt.us

Detective Sergeant Lance Burnham: Vermont State Police

Detective Sergeant Lance Burnham has been a detective with the State Police for 7 years and a law enforcement officer for 17 years. Sgt Burnham started his detective career with the Chittenden Unit for Special Investigation where he conducted numerous high profile sex assault and child abuse cases. Detective Burnham was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in the Bureau of Criminal Investigations Unit in 2009 where he has been the lead investigator on crimes such as Homicide, Sexual Assaults, Embezzlements, Drugs, and numerous suspicious death investigations. Sgt Burnham is the Northern Team leader for the Crime Scene Search Team and a blood spatter interpreter. 802-878-7111 x 2017, lance.burnham@state.vt.us

Gloria Danforth: Sexual Assault Program, Vermont Center for Crime Victim Services

Gloria has been working at the Vermont Center for Crime Victim Services since March of 2004 in the Sexual Assault Program. She has been working with victims of crime, in various capacities, for the past 30 years, including being one of the first female state troopers in the Vermont. (802) 241-4332, gloria.danforth@ccvs.state.vt.us

Janelle Gilbert, MA: Winooski Community Justice Center

Janelle holds a MA in Diplomacy from Norwich University with a concentration in Conflict Resolution; and a BA in Sociology. She developed the Winooski Community Justice Center, where she is currently Executive Director. She is a field researcher for the Center for Court Innovation. Ms Gilbert brought restorative justice concepts and community justice center development to Armenia as consultant with PH-International. She has a strong interest in cultural and economic equity in city services, particularly in conflict resolution, restorative justice, and services to citizens. (802) 655-0221, jgilbert@winooskipolice.com

Margaret Joyal, MA: Washington Co. Mental Health Services, Counseling and Psychological Services

Margaret is also the co-founder of LINC'S adult trauma treatment program. In addition to her clinical leadership she is a member of the Vermont Association for Mental Health, the National Association for Rural Mental Health and has been held key positions with the Vermont Psychological Association, the

North American Masters Psychologists, for which she served as President and is the current Past President, and is Chair of the Adult Outpatients Director's Group, a committee of the Council for Developmental and Mental Health Services. Margaret serves on the State of Vermont, Agency of Human Services Trauma Workgroup which has been charged with transforming state-based services to become more trauma informed across Agency programs. margaret@wcmhs.org

Christine Morrison: Victims Compensation, Vermont Center for Crime Victim Services

Prior to coming to the Center in 2006, she worked as a Domestic/Sexual Violence Advocate for six years at Umbrella, an agency that provides crisis support and ongoing advocacy for people victimized by domestic or sexual violence in St. Johnsbury VT. (802) 241-1250 x 103, christine.morrison@ccvs.state.vt.us

Mandy Park: Vermont Center for Crime Victim Services

Mandy works as Training Specialist/Event Coordinator at the Vermont Center for Crime Victim Services (VCCVS) and as a teacher of English as a Foreign Language with Vermont's Migrant Education Program (VMEP). She received a Master of Arts in Intercultural Service, Leadership and Management in 2011 from the SIT Graduate Institute in Brattleboro, with a concentration in Policy Advocacy. Previously, she worked as a Recruitment Specialist and Volunteer Coordinator for VMEP, while also facilitating meetings with the Central Vermont Farmworker Coalition and helping to organize a campaign for Bias-Free Policing in Vermont. Her introduction to VCCVS came in 2011 while working with their New Neighbors Victim Outreach Project, enhancing education and outreach to immigrants and refugees regarding their rights and options as victims of crime. From 2005-2007, Mandy served as a United States Peace Corps volunteer in Romania. She received her Bachelor of Science in Social Science in 2004, with a concentration in Cross-Cultural Studies and a minor in International Relations. Mandy grew up in Los Angeles, CA where millions of people first inspired her fascination with diversity. (802)241-1250 x 114, mandy.park@ccvs.state.vt.us

Lt. Tracy Simon: Orange County Sheriff's Office

Tracy has been employed in Law Enforcement for 20 years. She has also been an EMT with 21 years of experience. During her career as an EMT, she created a program for the UVM Grounds Department called "What to Do until the Ambulance Arrives." She has been a community service-learning mentor for a local grade school and helped a student develop a peer age training program for using E911. In addition to emergency services, Tracy has coached several Vermont and New England Champions in Horseback riding. She is a survivor of a near fatal car crash and speaks locally, regionally, and nationally. She is a member of the Vermonter's Impact Panel. Tracy is also an Advisor for Vermont Teen Leadership Safety Program/Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD). tsimon@dps.state.vt.us

Andrea Van Liew: Vermont Center for Crime Victim Services

Andrea is the Training Director at the Vermont Center for Crime Victim Services. She joined the Training Department in September of 2005 after spending the previous five years as a Training Specialist and Training Coordinator for the UVM/DCF Child Welfare Training Partnership. Andrea's areas of training expertise include adult education, child abuse and foster care & adoption. She is a foster and adoptive parent and is interested in the intersections between victim services and child welfare. (802) 241-1250 x 113, andrea.vanliew@ccvs.state.vt.us

Barbara Whitchurch: Vermont Center for Crime Victim Services

Barb is the Public Education Coordinator at the Vermont Center for Crime Victim Services. Barbara is the senior staff member at the Center (15 years) and is currently the director of the New Neighbors Victim Outreach Project, an initiative to reach out to immigrants, refugees and asylees in three Vermont counties with culturally appropriate information about crime victimization. In her former professional life she worked for years as an editor and writer, and she holds a Master's Degree in elementary education. She taught sixth grade for seven years in Stony Brook, New York, where most of her students were taller than she. (802)241-1250 x 112, barbara.whitchurch@ccvs.state.vt.us