

Domestic Violence as a Human Rights Issue

Tuesday, November 16, 2021

7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Domestic Violence Awareness Month is a time to recognize survivors and amplify their voices. Although domestic violence is often seen as physical abuse, it actually includes various forms of coercive control designed to secure and expand a perpetrator's privilege by depriving the victim of basic human rights and liberties. In order to shed light on this important issue, we invite you to join us for a Zoom discussion featuring local Wayland experts on the issue.

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PANELISTS

Darren Kew (moderator) *is an Associate Professor at UMass Boston.*

Dovie Yoana King *is a survivor of domestic violence, mother and award-winning attorney. She chairs the Wayland Human Rights, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee and serves as Executive Director of SOAR for Justice. Dovie is a member of the Legislative Committee of the Women's Bar Association, advocating for greater workplace protections for survivors. She is a graduate of Brown University and Northeastern University School of Law.*

Stephanie Howard *is a licensed clinical psychologist with over 26 years of experience working with children, adolescents, adults and families who have experienced severe, complex trauma. She serves as Director of Project We Can Talk About It, a specialized domestic violence team at Children's Charter. She also runs parenting groups and clinical consultation at the Journey to Safety Program of Jewish Family and Children's Services. Stephanie earned her PhD at UMass.*

Mei-Ling Ellerman *is the Research and Advocacy Fellow in Domestic Violence and Coercive Control at the Center for Global Development & Sustainability, Heller School, Brandeis University. She is a trained domestic violence advocate who is currently conducting research about violence against women of color in Massachusetts. Mei-Ling is partnered with Casa Myrna Vasquez, the Asian Task Force Against Domestic Violence and Massachusetts Law Reform Institute.*

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