



**END
SEXUAL
VIOLENCE**

**National Alliance to
End Sexual Violence**

Leveraging the Federal Legislative & Appropriations Processes to End Sexual Violence!

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The National Alliance is the voice in Washington for the 56 state and territorial sexual assault coalitions and 1300 rape crisis centers working to end sexual violence and support survivors.



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Federal Policy Priorities

Appropriations (SASP, RPE,
PHHSBG, VOCA)

Violence Against Women Act
(VAWA)

Emerging Sexual Assault Policy
Issues



Current Approach to Policy Prioritizing

Intersectionality

Margins to Center

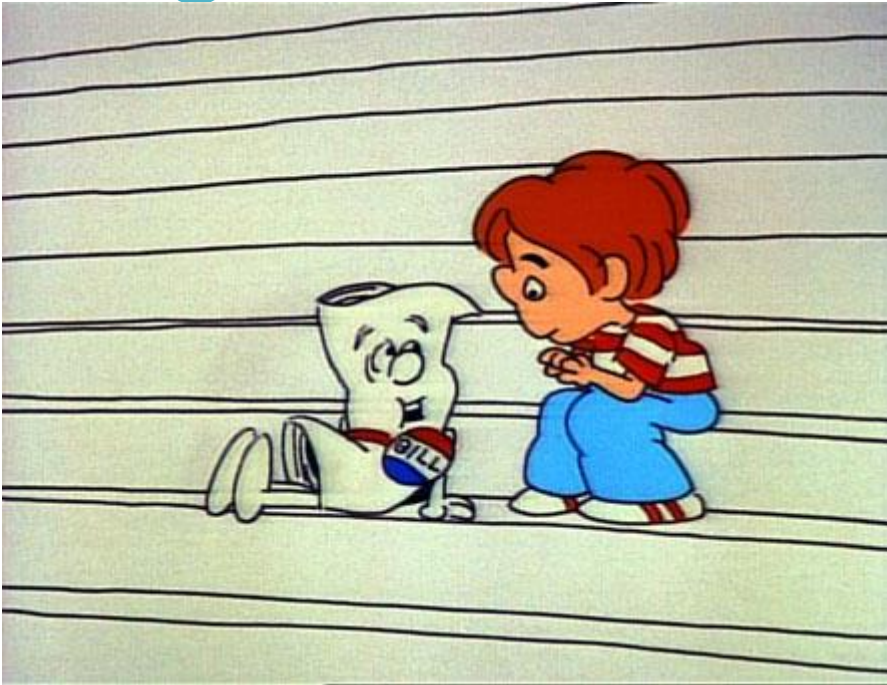
Unapologetically bold

Proactive rather than reactive

Bringing the whole truth about what we need to end sexual violence and heal survivors to policymakers!

Gathering broad input from the field.

Legislative Process



Appropriations

Authorization

Legislation

Key Committees

Commerce, Justice & Science Appropriations Subcommittee (CJS): Jurisdiction over all DOJ appropriations including VAWA (SASP) & VOCA.

Labor, Health & Human Services, Education Appropriations Subcommittee (HHS): Jurisdiction over all HHS appropriations including CDC (RPE and PHHSBG Funding)

Senate & House Judiciary Committees: VOCA, VAWA, Justice for All, Adam Walsh, SA Survivors' Rights Act

House Education & the Workforce and Senate HELP Committees: Campus sexual assault issues; forensic exam issues

Appropriations Process

Fiscal Year

President's Budget

Budget Resolution

Appropriations Bills (or omnibus)

Conference

Continuing Resolutions (CR)



Appropriations Timeline

December: Develop Summary to Describe Current Program Spending and Need for Increase

February: Compare to President's Proposed Budget

January-February: Demonstrate National/State/Local Support for Request

Feb/March: Deadlines to Submit Funding Requests to Members of Congress and Members of Congress
Submit their Priorities to Appropriations Subcommittees

April/May: House/Senate Appropriations Subcommittees Markup

June/July: House/Senate Approve Appropriations Bills

Sept: House/Senate Appropriations Conference Committees

Sept/Oct: House/Senate Approve Appropriations Conference Bills

Oct-Dec: President Signs Appropriations Bills (later with CR)

Agency Secures Federal Funding/OMB approves spending plans, minimum three-month process to begin distributing funds.

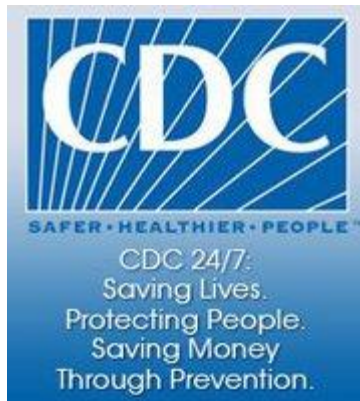
Appropriations Priorities



VAWA

SASP

VOCA



RPE

PHHSBG Rape Set-Aside



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- Energy and Water Development
- Financial Services and General Government
- Homeland Security
- Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies
- Labor, Health and Human

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Budget Outlook



Legislative Process

Bill Introduced

Assigned to committee

Marked-up, voted

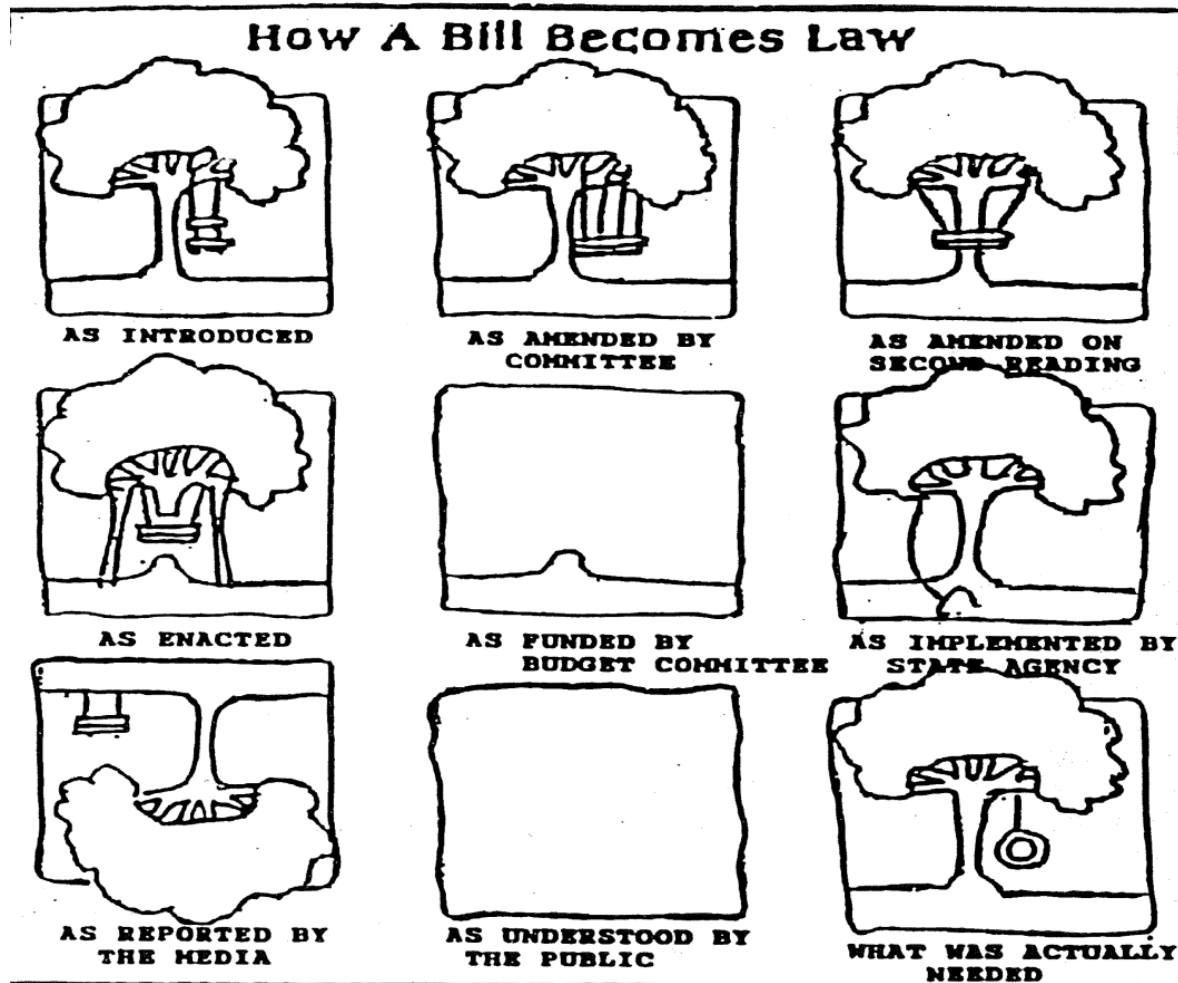
Rules committee

Floor

Authorizations

Conference

President



VAWA Reauthorization



Gathering input from the field
(AUGUST 2016 – NOVEMBER
2016)

Substantive workgroups begin in
fall of 2016

Dream bill drafted by June 2017

SUMMER 2017, start shopping
bill to co-sponsors & begin
lobbying and social
media/grassroots organizing

By JANUARY 2018,
lobbying/social media in high gear

Aspirational goal of reauthorizing
VAWA in MARCH 2018

Other Key Legislative/Advocacy Issues

Campus

Backlog/Forensic Exam Issues

Criminal Justice Initiatives

Opposing Anti-Transgender Initiatives

Housing

Tribal rights and services

Military Sexual Assault

The Big Picture

What you need to know about what's happening in DC right now.

Mobilizing Grassroots

What motivates you to take action?



NAESV Strategies

SAPolicyWatch-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Call alerts

District meetings

Advocacy day

Targeted meetings

Participating in coalitions

Your congressional delegation

Each state has 2 senators.

Each state has variable number of representatives based on population.

Your senators and representatives combined make up the congressional delegation from your state. These are your members of Congress.

Reaching out in District

Relationship building—staff and member!

Recess

Tour

SAAM Event

New Member Packet

Social Media

More laid back

Bring a group

What does your member want to know about right now? Campus? Sex Offenders?

What do you want them to know about right now?

Sharing your story

Systems transformed and improved

Model projects and collaborations

Numbers served

Stories of lives transformed

Cost savings, effectiveness

Data

Reaching out to D.C. office

Google member and Check out member page

Call D.C. office

Ask for the name of the right staffer

Leave a voicemail and send an email

Firstname.lastname@mail.house.gov

D.C. Meetings



Thanks

Short

Staff

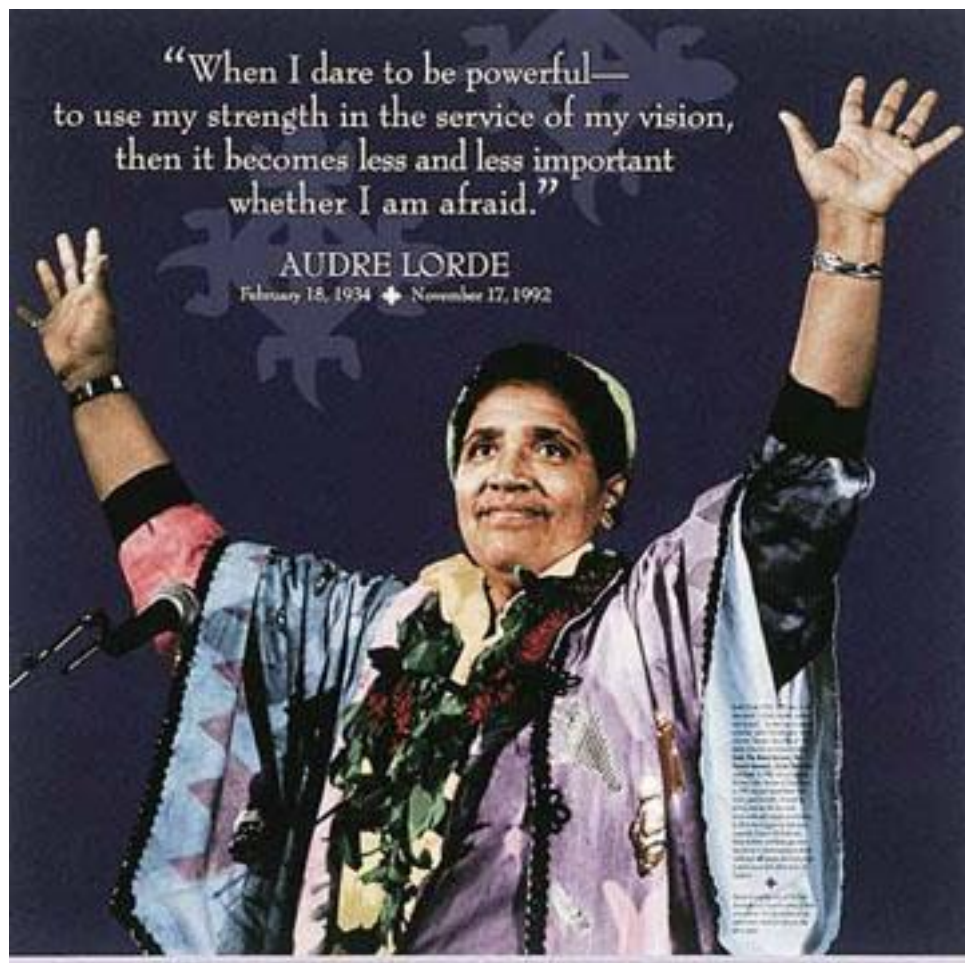
Story and program details

Make an ask

Follow-up

Communication Is Key:

<u>Do</u>	<u>Don't</u>	<u>Tips</u>
Start by Requesting a meeting (email).	Don't refer to a legislator by his/her first name, unless you are a close personal friend.	Know the congressional schedule; don't use postal service; don't continue to call when an email exchange will work; must have name, address, and phone.
Make the issue relevant to the elected official.	Don't go to a meeting without doing your homework first.	Be prepared. Sign up for his/her newsletters and review press releases.
Know ahead of time who will oppose your idea and how to respond to criticism	Don't take an issue to a Member's office if they have historically never supported the issue.	Be part of a larger movement; legislators want input from community leaders.
Be professional, be on time, be respectful.	Don't try and have long discussions about policy or folks from home; time is limited.	Don't mix up the staff or Member's political party; don't approach at the airport or grocery store.
Make sure stakeholders are supportive; utilize a board member who is close to elected official.	Don't intentionally mislead; stay out of the weeds because details can come later.	If you don't know the answer, offer to follow-up.
Follow-up in a timely manner, especially if you are clarifying an issue for them.	Don't miss the window of opportunity to influence the process.	Know the congressional schedule and know the legislative process.
Utilize your resources such as NAESV.	Don't misrepresent the position of a stakeholder.	Educate, utilize grassroots, utilize grass-tops, social media, collaborate, and mobilize.



Dare to be powerful!

Use your strength and smarts and voice in the service of your vision to:



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