



**Community Action, Research & Education Grants Program (CARE)
2006-2007 Grant Recipients**

Alberta Council of Women’s Shelters, Edmonton, AB	\$7,500
Nova House, Selkirk, MB	\$7,500
Regina Transition Women’s Society, Regina, SK	\$7,500
<i>Project Title:</i> The Healing Journey	
<i>Summary:</i> As a part of a 3 year longitudinal study of women who have experienced intimate partner violence, this project involves collaboration between the RESOLVE Research Network, the Alberta Council of Women’s Shelters, Nova House and Regina Transition Women’s Shelter. This part of the longitudinal study will focus on interviewing women from groups that have been underrepresented in family violence programming, policy and research. Under represented women include women with disabilities, seniors, immigrant women, Aboriginal women, lesbian and bisexual women and women living in rural and northern communities. The research will result in an increased understanding of the experiences of these groups of women and will be used to inform policy and programs for women in the target groups.	
Alliance to End Violence, Calgary, AB	\$10,000
<i>Project Title:</i> Ensuring Equitable Access to Services – Phase I	
<i>Summary:</i> Using a collaborative network of researchers and service providers, this project will conduct research into best practices that address the issue of violence against persons with disabilities. The research will include interviews with community stakeholders. The research will result in a comprehensive Alberta-made strategy, including an awareness campaign to reduce barriers to reporting violence by persons with disabilities.	
HomeFront Society for the Prevention of Domestic Violence, Calgary, AB	\$9,540
<i>Project Title:</i> Review of Needs: Adaptation/Development of Evaluation Database	
<i>Summary:</i> Through an internal needs assessment, HomeFront will investigate the development of a database to track their cases through the law enforcement/criminal justice system and permit the organization to systematically evaluate program outcomes and effectiveness. As the first phase of a multi-phase approach, the project will result in a list of database requirements, increased evaluation capacity and a work plan for full implementation of the database.	

The Provincial Association of Transition Houses and Services of Saskatchewan, Regina, SK **\$3,887**
Project Title: Enhancing Shelter Services in Saskatchewan through Research
Summary: This project will update a 2005 document that provides data on the situation of the approximately 4000 women and children who stay in Saskatchewan shelters each year. The revised data will be used to develop 'fact sheets' that association members will use for public education purposes. The data will also be used as a tool to improve shelter programs and to positively influence public policies affecting abused women.

Manitoba Theatre for Young People, Winnipeg, MB **\$3,500**
Project Title: The Stones
Summary: The overall objective of this project is the prevention of crime by adolescents by providing up to 4,500 young people in Manitoba a chance to see and discuss a play about the issue of teen violence. The project will also provide teachers with workshop and classroom activities that reinforce the themes in the play.

Stardale Women's Group Inc, Calgary, AB **\$10,000**
Project Title: Honouring the Girl's Stories
Summary: Through a participatory research process, this project will address violence and abuse of girls in the Kainai community, with a particular focus on girls who are perpetrators of violence and active in gang-related activities. A research team of Aboriginal university students will be trained and supported to conduct focus groups and analyze the findings. The research will produce a comprehensive intervention framework that addresses root causes of violence and abuse from the perspective of Aboriginal girls.

Tamara's House, Saskatoon, SK **\$10,000**
Project Title: Residence Evaluation
Summary: A participatory research approach will be used to evaluate the services provided by Tamara's House. Tamara's House is the only residence program in Canada for women survivors of childhood sexual abuse. Since it was established in 1991, its impact on women has not been formally evaluated. This initial stage of the evaluation will include a literature review, key informant interview, case studies and a review of the intake process. It is expected that the research will result in a) identifying the impact on healing for women and b) identifying areas of improvement and development for program delivery.

University of Calgary, Faculty of Nursing, Calgary, AB **\$10,000**
Project Title: Making it Visible: Information and Intervention for Marginalized Women at Risk for Abuse during Pregnancy
Summary: This project will assess what support there is in several entry points to the Calgary Health Region for interventions with marginalized women experiencing domestic violence. These findings will help decision-makers in making policies and implementing programs that can support appropriate awareness and interventions by the obstetrics and gynecology services of the Calgary Health Region.