



## MULTI-DISCIPLINARY BEST PRACTICES: IMMIGRANT DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE VICTIMS, LANGUAGE ACCESS AND THE U AND T VISAS

Join us for a free training on U and T visa certification and language access practices to enhance law enforcement's, prosecutors', and advocates' roles in protecting and serving their communities and immigrant victims of domestic violence and sexual assault

We are offering the same training on two different dates, register for one below.

Location: Kansas City Regional Police

Academy

6885 NE Pleasant Valley Rd,

Kansas City, MO 64119

Date: October 2, 2019 Time: 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM **Location: Columbia Police Department** 

**Training Facility** 

5001 Meyer Industrial Dr.,

Columbia, MO 65201

Date: October 3, 2019 Time: 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Register for October 2, 2019 (click here)

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The training will provide prosecutors, law enforcement, prosecution agency staff, and advocates with information on the U and T visa programs and the role they play in effective community response. The training will improve attendees' understanding of best practices and recommendations based on Department of Homeland Security (DHS) regulations, policies, and training materials on U and T visa certification. The training will include a discussion of how following DHS's recommendations for early certification in cases can improve the safety of law enforcement officers, victims, and the community by building collaboration to increase the likelihood of battered immigrants to report and provide helpfulness in the criminal investigation and prosecution of the crime. This project is collaboration between the National Immigrant Women's Advocacy Project, the National Sheriffs' Association, and is locally hosted by the Missouri Office of Prosecution Services and the Kansas City and Columbia Police Departments respectively.

The training faculty includes the following:

- > Sharla Jackson, Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Resource Prosecutor
- Leslye E. Orloff, Director, National Immigrant Women's Advocacy Project, American University Washington College of Law
- Detective Shelli Sonnenberg Wardle, Boise Police Department

This class will be certified for 6 hours CLE. POST and 210 credit are pending.

All attendees will receive training materials on best practices for language access, a U & T visa tool kit, and other valuable screening tools and material.

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