

Rus Ervin Funk

RESUME

EDUCATION

HOWARD UNIVERSITY -- *MSW, 1994* (Honors)

SOUTHWEST TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY -- *BSW, 1987*

EMPLOYMENT

2006 - Current **CONSULTANT**

- Provide technical assistance to numerous communities, organizations and schools on addressing violence, engaging men, improving cultural competence, etc.
- Provide multiple training programs addressing reproductive health, engaging men, violence prevention, confronting homophobia and other topics.
- Assist in developing coordinated community responses to address domestic violence and sexual assault, improve reproductive health care, address racism and homophobia, and improve services for children who are abused or who are exposed to domestic violence

2006 - Current **MENSWORK: eliminating violence against women, inc.**
(Founding Executive Director)

2005 - Current **KENT SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK, UNIVERISTY OF LOUISVILLE** (Adjunct Professor)

Taught Human Behavior and the Social Environment, Systems Theory and Advanced Practice Classes and helped developed the curricula for these classes.

2002 - 2006 **CENTER FOR WOMEN AND FAMILIES** (Research and Prevention Specialist)

- Positioned the Center to participate in primary research;
- Developed community partnerships to create prevention efforts of rape or domestic violence
- Wrote curricula for prevention education

2000 - 2002 **MARYLAND COALITION AGAINST SEXUAL ASSAULT** (Campus Consortium Coordinator)

Provide technical assistance, training and support for campus program addressing violence against women.

1980's - 1990's **VARIOUS POSITIONS**

During the eighties and nineties, I was in a variety of community-based positions working with adults and children who had been victimized, adolescents and adults who had abused, and creating or strengthening community responses to address a variety of issues. Some examples include:

- Co-founding the Baltimore City Sexual Abuse Treatment Center to provide comprehensive, high-quality long terms sexual abuse therapeutic and advocacy services at no cost to poor children and their families
- Coordinating the Men's Anti-Rape Resource Center to provide resources, Technical Assistance, and training to engage men in the work to prevent rape and sexual assault
- Co-Wrote and worked to secure passage of the original Violence Against Women Act

HIGHLIGHTS

- In 2005, I was the primary author and initiator, under the auspices of the Archdiocese of Louisville, to develop a comprehensive Child Sexual Abuse training in response to the allegations of child sexual abuse that emerged. This training received the highest level of approval from the FBI who monitored the Archdiocese responses to child sexual abuse across the country.
- I was part of the initial team that co-wrote the original Violence Against Women Act. I focused my efforts on the Safe Campuses for Women section, and the
- I co-founded DC Men Against Rape, one of the first men's collectives to stop rape in this country. DC Men Against Rape became Men Can Stop Rape, who's two first Directors I trained as part of DC Men Against Rape.
- I co-founded and was the lead nonviolence trainer for the Washington Area Clinic Defense Task Force - a collective organized to protect women's rights to access reproductive health care.

BOARDS

I currently serve on the Boards of Directors of the following organizations:

- Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence
- Reproductive Freedom Project of the ACLU of KY
- National Center on Sexual and Domestic Violence

PUBLICATIONS

(Partial List)

- “Be Realistic, Demand the Impossible: Taking Action Against Pornography” in *Pornography: Driving the Demand in International Sex Trafficking* Ed by David E. Guinn, (2007) Captive Daughters Media
- *Reaching Men: Strategies for Preventing Sexism and Violence*. (2006) Jist Publications.
- “Queer Men and Sexual Assault: What Being Raped Says about Being a Man” in *Gendered Outcasts and Sexual Outlaws: Sexual Oppression and Gender Hierarchies in Queer Men’s Lives*. Ed by Christopher Kendall and Wayne Martino (2006) Haworth Press.
- “Engaging Men in Acting in Prevention.” (2006) In *Partners in Social Change* 7(2).
- “What pornography says about me(n)? One man’s conversion to anti-pornography activist.” In *Not for Sale: Feminist against pornography and prostitution*. Ed. By Christine Stark and Rebecca Whisnant (2004) Spinifex Press.
- (with Christopher N. Kendall “Gay Male Pornography’s “Actors”: When “Fantasy” Isn’t” in *Prostitution, Trafficking and Traumatic Stress*. Ed by Melissa Farley (2003). Haworth Press
- “A coordinated community approach to address and combat teen dating abuse.” In *Partners in change: Working with men to end gender-based violence*. Ed by Alan Grieg (2002) INSTRAW.
- From perpetrators to allies: Men supporting women’s human rights.” (2001) *Sexual Assault Reports* 5,1.
- Leaving No Child Behind: Baltimore City’s Response to Child Sexual Victimization (1997)
- (1993) *Stopping rape: A challenge for men*. Philadelphia, PA. New Society Publishers. (1993) **(The first book written by a man for men about stopping rape.)**