

FALL 2024 NEWS LETTER

MENTORS IN VIOLENCE PREVENTION

FALL 2024 MVP TRAIN THE TRAINERS

Our fall 2024 MVP training of trainers (TTT) was hosted in Des Moines, IA at DMACC Urban Campus on September 26-27th. DMACC Urban staff attended, as well as Central College staff. Prevention and victim advocacy staff from the Iowa Army National Guard and Crisis Intervention Services also attended.

New MVP advisors from secondary schools in attendance were from Ankeny, Albia, Ft. Dodge and Mason City. We welcome all of our new colleagues into the MVP model! Our MVP training of trainers is a facilitator development training that allows facilitators to advise teams and implement lessons.

DAN MARBURGER MVP ADVOCATE AWARD RECIPIENTS

Dan Marburger was the Principal at Perry High School who tragically lost his life in the January 2024 school shooting. We are honoring his legacy through the Dan Marburger MVP Advocate Award.

The award will be given annually starting this year to an MVP school team and an individual champion in Iowa who exemplifies the same unwavering passion for violence prevention as Dan.

This year's Dan Marburger MVP Advocacy Award recipients are:

THE PERRY HIGH SCHOOL MVP ADVISORY TEAM

Christine Krohn
Allisa Bahney
Tamara Valline

Jenny Wagner
MVP Advisor, Cedar Rapids
Kennedy High School



WELCOME NEW MVP MASTER TRAINERS

PATCVP welcomes our new cohort of MVP Master Trainers to our Statewide Technical Assistance Team (MVP STAT).

Members of the MVP STAT team train and provide ongoing technical assistance to new community partners as they work to promote and sustain MVP Strategies efforts in their respective communities and schools.

Jodi Blackford

Crisis Intervention Services,
Poweshiek County

Ken Morris, Jr.

Ankeny Community School District

Michael Shaw

Neighborhood Centers,
Johnson County

Gabby Flowers

Central College, Pella, IA

Margaret Connet

Consultant

Zachary Draves

Augustana College, Rock Island, IL

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FACILITATION SKILLS DEVELOPMENT VIDEOS

PATCVP is working with MVP Master Trainers and consultants with expertise in youth facilitation skill development to offer on demand YouTube videos to help MVP advisors work on their own and their MVP student mentors' facilitation skills. Our first training video was created by **Stacey Warren** on building relationships and setting appropriate boundaries. We encourage you to subscribe to our YouTube channel to view this video and more!



youtube.com/@MVPlowa

MVP STUDENT LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

Ankeny Community School District hosted their first MVP Student Leadership Summit on November 11, 2024 at the FFA Enrichment Center in Ankeny, IA. All four MVP schools in Ankeny attended with over 250 student mentors and support staff. Session topics included calling in and calling out techniques, leadership skills, team builders, facilitation practice, and more. The PATCVP director hosted a table at their summit.



MVP COLLEGE PLAYBOOK REVIEW COMMITTEE

PATCVP brought together a diverse group of private four year college personnel and community college MVP master trainers to review and update the college MVP Playbook this semester. New definitions, facilitation skill areas, activities and scenarios were added and edited to make the program more robust and up to date with new areas of focus for college level prevention. PATCVP wants to thank the committee members who helped with this project:

Lynne Cornelius, Drake University

Jocelyn Frohwein, Marshalltown Community College

Caree Gordon, William Penn University

Jenny Vargas, Simpson College

Jessica Pierce, Simpson College

SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS & FUNDING

TOMSON SCHOLARS

With a generous ongoing scholarship from O. Jay and Patricia Tomson for students in the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences who are doing violence prevention internships, we want to recognize this semester's Tomson scholarship recipients:

Nilu Bobojonova

Bryanne Bitterman

Hannah Tschetter

Nicole Trip

Plaxcedes Mawora



Bobojonova



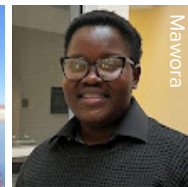
Bitterman



Tschetter



Trip



Mawora

OELTJEN SCHOLAR

With a generous ongoing gift from **Marlin Oeltjen** in memory of his late wife, **Joan Oeltjen**, a College of Social and Behavioral Sciences student interning in violence prevention receives a \$1500 scholarship to support tuition or living expenses. Congratulations to **Plaxcedes Mawora** for receiving our fall Oeltjen scholarship.

BUNTROCK FOUNDATION FUNDING

On behalf of the PATCVP, we are honored to have received a generous \$50,000 donation from the Dean L. and Rosemarie Buntrock Foundation. We want to thank **Dean L. and Rosemarie Buntrock** for supporting our mission.

IOWA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION'S CONFERENCE CONNECTIONS

PATCVP director presented to over 80 Iowa high school athletes from the Racoon River conference on September 11, 2024 on bystander intervention skills at Grand View University in Des Moines, Iowa.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

PATCVP graduate assistants **Nilu Bobojonova** and **Plaxcedes Mawora** hosted tabling for UNI students and staff at Maucker Union on October 15-16, 2024 for Domestic Violence Awareness Month. This year's theme was #every1knowssome1. Purple ribbons, local resources for domestic violence survivors, bystander tips and prevention materials were available at the table.



IOWA ASSOCIATION FOR STUDENT COUNCILS CONFERENCE

The PATCVP director spoke about bystander intervention skills and online safety on October 28, 2024 in Ames, Iowa at the Iowa Association for Student Councils annual conference to over 100 high school student leaders.



IOWA SCHOOL COUNSELORS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The PATCVP director presented at the annual Iowa School Counselors Association conference on Youth Resiliency Strategies through the Mentors in Violence Prevention Program to 15 attendees at a breakout session on November 4, 2024.

AC4C CONFERENCE

PATCVP hosted a table at the Alliance of Coalitions for Change annual conference for substance abuse prevention agencies and school personnel across Iowa. This conference hosts over 50 member programs in 56 counties in Iowa. PATCVP was promoting a grant opportunity our center has for the northern district funded by the Governor's Office for Drug Control Policy.

17TH ANNUAL DISSEMINATION AND IMPLEMENTATION CONFERENCE

The PATCVP in partnership with a grant funded initiative with the University of Iowa's Injury Prevention Research Center presented preliminary findings from an Iowa MVP implementation study at the national Conference on the Science of Dissemination and Implementation hosted in Arlington, VA on December 9, 2024.



