

The **MISSION** of the Patricia A. Tomson Center for Violence Prevention is to build the capacity of school districts, colleges and universities, and agencies serving youth and families to systematically implement, practice and evaluate effective bullying and violence prevention strategies.

WHO WE ARE

The Patricia A. Tomson Center for Violence Prevention is named in honor of Patricia A. Tomson and her decades of work on behalf of survivors of abuse. Together with her husband, O. Jay Tomson, the couple granted a \$2 million gift to the Center in 2021 in support of its mission to build the capacity of Iowa's schools, victim service agencies, law enforcement and other institutions to systematically implement best practices in bystander-based prevention education. The endowed gift provides operational support as well as sustained funding for the Tomson Scholars program, which since 2016 has funded student internships with violence prevention organizations and agencies providing direct services to survivors of abuse.

ALYSA MOZAK, M.S., CSHE, is the director of the Patricia A. Tomson Center for Violence Prevention. In her role she oversees curriculum infusion of bystander education and strategies within pre-service teacher education and social sciences programming, as well as the implementation of Mentors in Violence Prevention (MVP) Strategies training and outreach in and among Iowa's higher education and Pre-K-12 educational systems. She joins UNI with an extensive professional background as a victim advocate and violence prevention educator in both nonprofit and higher education.

WM. MICHAEL FLEMING, Ph.D. CFLE, is the director of research and assessment at the Patricia A. Tomson Center for Violence Prevention and an associate professor of family studies at UNI. His scholarship and teaching focuses on the dynamics associated with interpersonal violence; models of prevention and early intervention in secondary and higher education schools; and education and training of domestic/sexual assault educators and advocates. His community engagement includes serving on boards for domestic/sexual agencies; serving on regional and statewide task forces and coalitions focusing on domestic/sexual assault, as well as working with non-profits providing program and evaluation consultation.



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The Patricia A Tomson Center for Violence Prevention (PATCVP) collaborated with K-12 schools, institutions of higher education, and community partners to support safe and respectful learning environments.

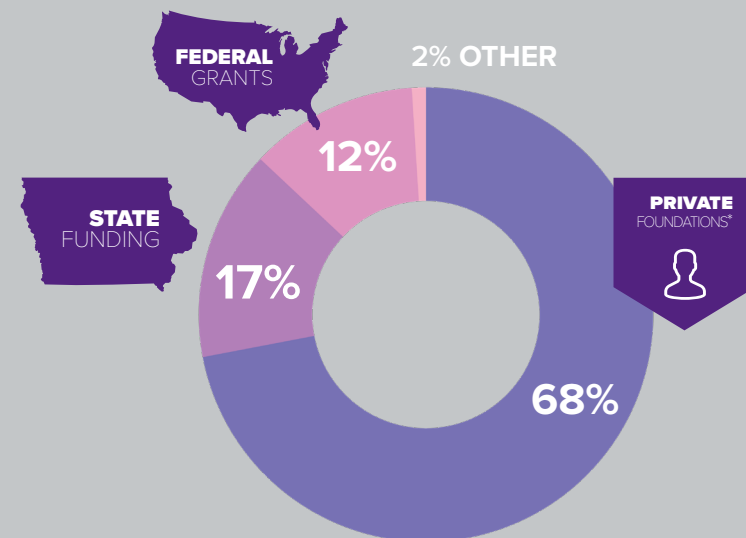


PATCVP welcomes a new director, Alysa Mozak, who started in August 2022.

“I am grateful for my co-director, Dr. Michael Fleming, to the Dean of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Dr. Brenda Bass, our graduate assistants, and especially to my mentor and predecessor, Dr. Alan Heisterkamp, for all of his tremendous work in the last 11 years establishing and creating vision for our center. I hope to honor his legacy and continue the mission of the PATCVP moving forward. I also want to thank our schools and community partners who support their students in creating safer cultures and the network of people around the state working to support violence prevention in Iowa.

2022 PARTNERSHIPS

- Pat & O. Jay Tomson
- Iowa Department of Education
- University of Iowa College of Education
- University of Iowa Injury Prevention Research Center
- UNI College of Education
- UNI Department of Social Work
- UNI Women & Gender Studies
- UNI Foundation
- House of Hope
- Iowa Safe Schools
- Kind World Foundation
- SuccessLink
- Waterloo Youth Empowerment Program
- Waterloo Safe Neighborhoods Commission
- Futures Without Violence
- Jan Oeltjen Foundation
- Iowa High School Athletic Association
- Iowa Coalition Against Sexual Assault
- AC4C
- Crisis Intervention Services
- Heartland AEA
- Catholic Charities
- Friends of the Family
- Riverview Center



2022 GRANT FUNDING

- STOP School Violence Program & Mental Health Training**
U.S. Department of Justice
Iowa Department of Education
- Rape Prevention & Education-Leading to Prevent**
Iowa Department of Health & Human Services
- Project Safe Neighborhood**
Governor's Office of Drug Control Policy
- Iowa BEST Summit**
Iowa Department of Education & the University of Iowa College of Education
- Creating an Ecological Response to School Safety**
University of Northern Iowa Capacity Grant, Office of Research & Sponsored Programs



2022 PROGRAMMING, TRAININGS & SCHOLARSHIPS

- 450+** UNI students received MVP classroom modules
- 6** Professional conference trainings
- 9** New Iowa secondary schools trained in MVP Strategies
- 3** MVP train-the-trainer sessions implemented
- 2** MVP Leadership Summits, training 355 student mentors
- 6** Tomson & Oeltjen scholarship awards to UNI students totaling \$14,300

2011-2022 IMPACT

- 47,700+** Secondary school students engaged in MVP Strategies
- 8,950+** UNI students participated in MVP classroom modules
- 500+** UNI students, faculty and staff received training and certification in MVP Strategies
- 200+** Secondary school coaches participated in the Coaching Boys into Men or Athletes as Leaders training programs
- 56** High schools partnered with PATCVP to implement bullying and gender violence prevention programming