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Welcome Brenda Stanfill as ANDVSA's new Executive Director!

On behalf of the Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault's 23 member agencies and staff, I am pleased to announce that ANDVSA has selected our new Executive Director, Brenda Stanfill. She will step down as the Executive Director of the Interior Alaska Center for Non-Violent Living (IAC) in Fairbanks and start her new position with ANDVSA in October 2021.

Brenda brings a wealth of experience in preventing and responding to domestic violence and sexual assault issues and has a strong network of contacts across the state. In addition, her in-depth knowledge of Alaska based systems, experience implementing/monitoring batterers' intervention programs, experience in coming up with housing solutions for survivors, and long-standing engagement with the criminal justice system specifically as a member of the Criminal Justice Commission are some of the skills and experience Brenda shares with us. Welcome, Brenda.

I also want to acknowledge the work of our outgoing Executive Director, Carmen Lowry. Carmen has served as the ANDVSA Executive Director since February 2016. Since that time, ANDVSA has increased our membership, strengthened our relationships with key partners, and increased our impact in the legislative and policy arenas. Carmen provided leadership and support during the COVID-19 pandemic. She and the ANDVSA staff worked to ensure that policymakers were informed, advocates had ways to remain connected, and supported community-based and shelter programs by providing COVID related supplies.

ANDVSA has worked on our Executive Director transition plan for the past two years. We are grateful to Sandy Samaniego for helping us navigate the recruitment process, and grateful to the board members and staff who served on the Executive Director Transition Committee.

We are committed to our work of ending violence and oppression through social change. Please join us in welcoming Brenda to her new position as Executive Director of the Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.

For more information, contact Lauree Morton, Interim Executive Director, lmorton@andvsa.org.

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