Two hundred and ten people attended the 10th Annual NJADVP domestic violence conference June 14th at Rutgers University Piscataway, NJ. Co-sponsoring with NJCBW was The Office of Violence Prevention and Victim Assistance of Rutgers University, Appriss, Inc. and TD Bank. Phil Arkow, international expert and activist on animal abuse and domestic violence was our keynote. Eighteen additional workshops provided participants with skill building information on topics from Teen Dating Violence Prevention in the Orthodox Jewish Community and Dealing with Gender-affirmed and Gender Nonconforming Clients and Employees to Embedding Safety Planning into Trauma-Focused Counseling. As in previous years a delicious lunch was provided by Gerlandas on campus catering. Photographer and artist Leigha Cohen exhibited several of her photographs and met with conference participants. Several vendors and two masseuses were on site as well, making for a very enjoyable and full day.

We’d like to thank all of you who participated in the NJADVP 10th Annual Conference on June 14th!

Anti-Oppression Change Team (formerly the Cultural Competence Committee) held a Leadership Commitment Retreat on May 9-11, 2011 at the Stella Maris Retreat House in Long Branch New Jersey. The event was intended to provide executive directors, management and line staff additional training and technical assistance to strengthen their capacity to provide more inclusive and accessible services to all victims of domestic violence. Another goal of this retreat was to move everyone to the understanding that we are moving away from a diversity/cultural competency approach to the work to an anti-racism approach to the work, using an anti-oppression model using the lens of race. A total of 70 participants attended representing 15 domestic violence member programs and coalition staff.
Paths to Economic Self-Sufficiency

On May 23, 2012, an event was held at Bogey’s Club and Café in Sewell, NJ to highlight the work made possible through the Allstate Financial Empowerment Grant. SERV and Camden County Women’s Center, NJCBW’s Partners in this grant, have been providing economic self-sufficiency services to Survivors. These services have included financial literacy, job preparation/job readiness, credit-builder loan applications and exploration of cooperatives.

JULY 2012 MEETINGS

NJCBW Membership Meeting
Thursday July 19, 2012, 10:00am-1:00pm

NJCBW Board of Trustees Meeting
Thursday July 19, 2012, 1:00pm-3:00pm

Legal Advocates Meeting
Friday July 20, 2012, 10:30pm-2:00pm

Anti-Oppression Change Team
Monday July 23, 2012, 10:00am-1:00pm

Domestic Violence Response Team Meeting
Tuesday July 24, 2012, 10:00am-3:00pm

White Aspiring Allies to People of Color Meeting
Wednesday July 25, 2012, 10:00am-1:00pm

40-hour Curriculum Committee Meeting
Thursday July 26, 2012, 1:00pm-3:00pm

PALS Meeting
Tuesday July 31, 2012, 10:00am-1:00pm

NJCBW INSTITUTE TRAININGS
will resume in September 2012
Please visit our website at www.NJCBW.org in the upcoming weeks for the Fall schedule!