

Centre de prévention des agressions de Montréal Montreal Assault Prevention Centre

Since 1984

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Diversity in ACTION

This October, our project "Diversite en ACTION" is underway. The goal of this project is to make ACTION an accessible course for women facing multiple barriers in accessing assault prevention services.

As part of this project we are targeting **native women**, **women of colour, and women from "cultural communities,"** who face violence as women, combined with exclusion and racial discrimination.

We have begun an outreach campaign, sending information about our services to over fifty organizations that specifically serve women from the targeted communities.

In 2009-2010, as part of "Diversite en ACTION", we will offer 10 free classes to address the reality that women facing racial discrimination and exclusion are often forced to live poverty and cannot always afford the costs of such services.

As well, we are revising our training manuals and offering further training to our ACTION staff to ensure accessibility.

To organise a course in your organization or to get more information



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A wealth of news!

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On September the 8th and 15th, CAP instructors Ana Camacho and Virginie Le Galès, were invited by the International Bureau for Children's Rights, to receive a training regarding the trafficking of young girls.

The intention of the organizers of this training, **Camille Karbassi and Germaine Chevrier**, was to pass on information on what is currently known about human trafficking and to introduce a new teaching tool, created with Status of Women Canada, which would be available to any individual or organization working in the prevention or detection of this problem.

About twenty participants learned about the reality of a phenomenon already well established in Canada. Effectively, our country is now a land for the recruitment, transit and exploitation, of this fast expanding business generating profits almost as large as weapons trafficking. The International Labour Office believes illicit profits from the exploitation of these workers amounts to approximately 32 billion dollars! The U.S. State Department speculates that there are 600,000 to 800,000 victims of this international trade. The United Nations estimates there to be 4 million victims annually of human trafficking while UNICEF talks of between 1 to 1.2 million young victims from around the world.

Making the public aware of the reality of human trafficking is essential because of its complexity and its secret nature. Any of us could be in direct contact with one of the victims without knowing it. **Annie Robert**, Human Trafficking Awareness Coordinator with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, was there to talk about the situation and to introduce a **new preventive campaign** entitled: I'm not for sale! This will be offered in different languages. If you are interested in more information or would like a poster or a handbook on human trafficking go to: **www.grc.gc.ca**. Ana and Virginie are also ready to answer any questions you may have on this subject. To contact them call (514) 284-1212 or write to **centre@cpamapc.org**. Otherwise, the **IBCR** will be happy to answer your questions. To contact them consult their web site at: **www.ibcr.org** or call **(514)** 932-9453.



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A wealth of news!

Last year we informed you about the reorganization happening at the Montreal Assault Prevention Centre. In keeping with this project, we try to adapt to the needs of all the employees.

Good news!

It is real pleasure to announce the birth of my daughter Jasmyne Pascale Diara Intégrité Merville Lajoie or simply Jasmyne Pascale Lavoie.

My daughter was born on August 7th, 2009 in Montréal.

Everything was as planned,
the little one is healthy so is her mommy.
Jasmyne Pascale is growing very fast
and brings happiness to her parents!
I'll be on maternity leave with my sweetheart
until september 2010. However, this fall,
I'll be part of the new ACTION training team.
Hope to see you soon!

Valérie XXX



Valérie and Jasmyne Pascale Diara Intégrité

The new ACTION training began two weeks ago, with 6 women, including Ana Camacho who has been a CAP instructor for 5 years. **Michèle Chappaz, Salma Ahmad,Leona Heillig and Valérie Lavoie**, the ACTION trainers, are very enthusiastic about the new recruits. We wish them an excellent learning experience! It is also almost time for **Sophie Massicotte**, an ACTION instructor, to take her maternity leave for her second baby!

While Valérie is absent, the CAP team is looking to add new animators this year. **David Singleton began a CAP training** with two potential animators: **Pierre Kirouac-Massicotte**, an intern working on his diploma in sexology at UQAM, and **Naïma Madi** originally from Algeria but now living in Montreal after a short stay in Syria. Naima is also the mother of two children. Welcome!

In the meantime, **Ana Camacho** is finishing the **Spanish adaptation of the parent's workshops for the CAP program.** Schools have shown an interest in offering this to their parents!

In other significant news: Lise Charbonneau, "our Lise", essential to the Centre's well being almost since its beginning, has finally decided to leave in September 2010. Lise and her husband Jean- Pierre, will be making a new life in the Charlevoix. Meanwhile, we have a year to find someone to replace her and organize our farewells. Finally, the Montreal Assault Prevention Centre will be 25 years old, next spring. Our team is thinking about the best way to celebrate! We'll talk more about this next time. For the moment, we wish everyone a beautiful fall!

Last minute: The Montreal Assault Prevention Centre's Annual General Assembly, will be on the 25th of novembre at 6:30 pm, at the Centre. Welcome to members! / Thanks to the Foundation of Greater Montreal which contributes to the "Diversite en ACTION" project. / It's time to renew your membership. Minimum contribution: 5\$ - Tell your friends!