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The Vermont Commission on Women is pleased to invite you to join us as we celebrate 50 years of progress for Vermont's women and their families.

Wednesday, April 9th, 2014
4:30 – 6:30 pm
State House Cedar Creek Room

Featuring Governor Peter Shumlin and keynote speaker Governor Madeleine Kunin. For more information or to request accommodations such as seating, interpreting, etc. at this event, please contact [Claire Greene](mailto:claire.greene@vtworksforwomen.org)/802-828-2852.

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Got Tax Credits?

Tax credits for low- and middle-income families — including the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), the Child Tax Credit (CTC), and the Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit (CDCTC) — can provide thousands of dollars for vulnerable women and families struggling to make ends meet. Check out National Women's Law Center's [Tax Credits Outreach page](#) for more info.

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XXII Olympic Winter Games
February 7- 23rd 2014
Sochi, Russia

Of the 14 Vermont athletes heading to the XXII Olympic Winter Games, 12 are women. Go team!

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Dirt Divas and Rosie's Girls Summer 2014 programs

Find out more about these programs for girls entering 6th, 7th, and 8th grades. Rosie's Girls is a trades exploration program held late June-mid July in Essex Junction and in late July early-August in Barre, rosiesgirls@vtworksforwomen.org. Dirt Divas is a mountain bike and empowerment program held in seven locations around the state this summer, more info: dirtdivas@vtworksforowmen.org. Please contact jroberts@vtworksforwomen.org, 1-802-622-0400 x152 for more information.

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Women's Health Care at VA Medical Centers around Vermont

If you served in the active military, naval or air service and are separated under any condition other

than dishonorable, you may qualify for VA health care benefits. Current and former members of the Reserves or National Guard who were called to active duty (other than for training only) by a federal order and completed the full period for which they were called or ordered to active duty may also be eligible.

Services available include gynecology, mental health (including issues surrounding post-traumatic stress disorder, military sexual trauma, depression, drug and alcohol dependence), medical social work, nutrition, pharmacy, osteoporosis evaluation through DEXA scans, mammography and maternity care. Every clinic has a Women's Program Liaison supporting the coordination and delivery of quality healthcare for all women Veterans.

For more information on the Medical Center or Clinic nearest you please access the following links:

[Women's Comprehensive Care Center at the White River Junction VT VA Medical Center](#)
[Bennington](#)
[Brattleboro](#)
[Burlington \(formerly Colchester\)](#)
[Keene NH](#)
[Littleton NH](#)
[Newport](#)
[Rutland](#)

If you need assistance or have any questions regarding VA health care for women in Vermont, please contact:

[Bobbie Surott-Kimberly](#) LICSW, CTRS, Women's Veteran Program Manager
802-291-6230 / Toll free: 866-687-8387 x6230

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It's Vagina Monologues time again!

Eve Ensler's powerful, poignant and often hilarious collection of women's stories, crafted to engage, entertain and move both men and women.

[Find a performance near you](#)

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Wednesday, March 12th from noon to 1:00
Auditorium in the Pavilion Building, 109 State Street, Montpelier
Reception to follow in the Vermont History Museum (upstairs)

This year's program theme is Vermont Women in the Arts. The event's goal is to share the accomplishments and perspectives of talented and creative women working in Vermont in a variety of visual media, and to reflect on how their experiences have changed as the role of women has changed in the last half century, particularly in Vermont.

We've moved to a larger venue in the same building in response to last year's standing room only event. Food and drink are prohibited in the auditorium but a reception in the Vermont History Museum will follow with desserts and beverages. RSVPs appreciated at Amanda.Gustin@state.vt.us

questions/concerns to 802-828-2180. Special thanks to our event sponsors: Vermont College of Fine Arts and co-sponsor, Clute Wealth Management.

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Somali women and service providers working with this population: The Office of Refugee Resettlement has produced a 4-part video health care series for Somali refugee women. Since many refugee women did not receive reproductive health education in their home countries or in refugee camps, these videos may help them learn more about their bodies and their health, so they can make the choices that are right for them. <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/orr/programs/refugee-health>

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Looking for a Sweet Treat for Someone Special this Month?
Dark Chocolate Bark with White Chocolate Swirl and Peppermint Essence

FRESH Food is selling chocolate bark that is made and packaged in reusable tins by the women in our training program. Tins are \$10 each, available for pickup in Winooski or delivery to your office building in greater Burlington. Contact: Melissa Corbin, Mcorbin@vtworksforwomen.org, 802.655.8900, ext. 114 100% of Proceeds Support FRESH Food. Learn more about the FRESH Food program: www.freshfoodvt.org

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Vermont Crime Victim Service Awards
2014 Nomination Information

As the discipline of crime victim services has grown over the years, so has the number of remarkable individuals and organizations who significantly contribute to its success. Today, the field includes countless people and programs that have, through vision, action, dedication and leadership, improved the lives of victims in the aftermath of crime. These awards recognize victim activists who have inspired us through their acts of courage and compassion, programs or individuals whose work has been particularly innovative and pioneering, and those who exemplify the long-term commitment that characterizes many of Vermont's victim service providers, some of whom are themselves victims of crime. The award ceremony will be held on Thursday, April 10, 2014 at the Capital Plaza in Montpelier. Please stay tuned to VIEW for details. Find the nomination form [here](#)

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Mark your calendars for the 20th Anniversary of [Early Childhood Day at the Legislature](#) on Wednesday, March 12, 2014!

Hundreds of early childhood advocates and legislators will gather at the Capitol Plaza Hotel and the Vermont State House in Montpelier to network, inform and advocate on early childhood issues and legislative proposals. The event's theme is: Promises to Keep - Resourcing the Needs of Vermont's Children and Families. Details about the day's schedule and registration process are at the Alliance's [webpage](#) and [Facebook](#)

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Attend a regional meeting to inform Vermont's [Early Childhood Action Plan](#).

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Vermont Works for Women with support from a Wider Opportunities for Women (WOW) and a grant funded by the Walmart Foundation announce spring programs:

Step-Up to Law Enforcement - beginning in mid-April in Burlington: This will be a nine-week, pre-Academy, job training program designed for women looking to enter a career in policing or with the Department of Corrections. Successful graduates of our Step-Up programs receive post-program employment support for up to one year as they apply for positions and begin their new careers.

Construction Boot Camps in Chittenden County and in Brattleboro: These four-day “Boot Camps” will offer women an opportunity to explore their potential interest in construction, understand the field’s opportunities for advancement, meet professionals and hear what local employers are looking for in an engaging, experiential way.

More info: Jenny Beaudin jbeaudin@vtworksforwomen.org / VWW [Website](#) | [Facebook](#) | [Twitter](#) | [YouTube](#) | [Map](#)

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Community Justice Network of Vermont Conference
Thursday, April 3, Killington Grand Resort Hotel and Conference Center

Please join Restorative justice volunteers and staff from around the state for a day of learning, sharing and skills-building. This is an opportunity to come together to broaden and deepen restorative practice in Vermont. The conference is sponsored by the Community Justice Network of Vermont and will include a keynote address, interactive workshop sessions, resources, and opportunities for networking. Rooms at reduced rates for conference attendees available, please contact Killington Resort at (800)282-9955. If you have any questions, please contact [Gail Zatz](#) or (802) 310-5805.

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Chittenden County Legislative Forum
Monday, February 3, 2014, 9 - 11 AM
Davis Auditorium, Fletcher Allen Health Care/UVM Medical Educational Center Pavilion

An opportunity to hear about and discuss current issues, concerns and legislative priorities regarding domestic and sexual violence and child abuse. Sponsored by KidSafe Collaborative and Chittenden County Domestic and Sexual Violence Task Force. Coffee/tea/refreshments served. More info [here](#).

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Talk To Your Teens About Sexting

Check out the latest publication from the Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence: a brochure for parents, caregivers and all adults titled: [Talk To Your Teens About Sexting](#). This original brochure was created by network member program [Umbrella](#), and they have adapted it for statewide use. [Click here to find the Network on facebook](#).

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Watch Restore Our Communities: Women in Prison
<http://www.cctv.org/watch-tv/programs/women-prison>

Suzi Wizowaty, Director of Vermonters for Criminal Justice Reform, speaks with Jill Evans, Director of Women and Family Services at Vermont Department of Corrections, Cary Brown, Executive Director of Vermont Commission on Women, and Tiffany Bluemle, Executive Director of Vermont Works for Women on 'Women in Prisons'. Recorded last week at Channel 17/Town Meeting Television and CCTV Center for Media & Democracy.

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