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For items to be included in the next newsletter, please send a short paragraph and a web link (no attachment) by 21<sup>st</sup> September.

**News**

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**Violence and Abuse against Women and Girls**: New draft Bristol strategy out for consultation until 28<sup>th</sup> October. <http://www.bdaf.org.uk/professionals/strategy-and-sub-groups>

**Report from the Domestic and Sexual Violence survivors' conference, May 2011**, available to download from:

[http://bdaf.org.uk/files/docs/forums/Survivors\\_conference\\_report\\_2011.pdf](http://bdaf.org.uk/files/docs/forums/Survivors_conference_report_2011.pdf)

**Events/Meetings**

**Women's Fitness Event** Thursday 15th September at Easton Leisure Centre 9.30am - 12pm to showcase and promote women's exercise in the inner city. The event is also to launch a new gym area for women only which is going to be set up in one of the squash courts and initially run for a few hours on a Thursday morning.

**Understanding Domestic Violence and Abuse training**: Free BDAF Course  
Spaces are still available on the next UDVA basic awareness course on 13<sup>th</sup> October (21<sup>st</sup> September is full). For other dates and to book a place, please visit:  
<http://www.bdaf.org.uk/professionals/training>

**Substance Use and Domestic Violence training**: Coordinated Action against Domestic Violence Abuse (CAADA) is accepting applications. Course dates: Jan 24<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> 2012. Deadline for applications: December 13<sup>th</sup>.  
[http://www.caada.org.uk/training/CPD\\_Substance\\_Use\\_and\\_Domestic\\_Violence.htm](http://www.caada.org.uk/training/CPD_Substance_Use_and_Domestic_Violence.htm)

**Wings Bristol's group for survivors**: For those who want to get involved in improving services, meet other survivors, campaign, or develop new skills. The group meets monthly, and its activities are led by the survivors who come along. For more information and meeting dates visit: <http://tinyurl.com/bristolwings> or email [bristol.wings@gmail.com](mailto:bristol.wings@gmail.com).

**The Freedom Programme** : Groups will start up again in September. Groups run across the city, and are free for women to attend. Although we cannot give out the exact location and time of a group, we can give out the day and area it meets, and the date of the first session. For details and referrals contact the survivor group work coordinator: [emily.moreton@novassarman.org](mailto:emily.moreton@novassarman.org) or for more general information: <http://tinyurl.com/bristolfp>

## Job Vacancies

**Victim Support is recruiting Trustees** for its national Board. The role will require attendance at meetings in London and work, as required, on sub committees. All expenses are paid and training and development opportunities are given. It is a great opportunity to be involved with an organization which leads on supporting all victims and witnesses of crime. V.S. is an inclusive organisation and welcomes applications from all communities. For further information and an application pack, contact Sarah Day on 0207 268 0249: [sarah.day@victimsupport.org.uk](mailto:sarah.day@victimsupport.org.uk) “

**Wish for a Better Future** is recruiting for a Project Worker to help develop their new innovative 11-24 Project. This is a pilot scheme to establish the best methods of supporting young people (11-24) to stop their use of violence in close relationships, address their needs as possible survivors of violence, and offer support to their partner/ex-partner/parent/sibling who have been abused in order to increase their safety. Closing date: 2nd September. Interviews will be held on 23rd September. For an application pack, please email [sian@wishforabrighterfuture.org.uk](mailto:sian@wishforabrighterfuture.org.uk) or call 0117 9038632 for more information.

**Bristol Rape Crisis** will be recruiting a full time Rape Crisis South West Regional Development Worker. The post is fixed term for three years. Closing date for applications is 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2011 and the interviews will be held 11<sup>th</sup> October. Full details and application packs are available from 5th September from [www.bristolrapecrisis.org.uk](http://www.bristolrapecrisis.org.uk)

## Miscellaneous

**Bristol Pregnancy and Domestic Violence Programme (BPDVP):** Report is now available which outlines the findings from a survey conducted around the issue of antenatal enquiry for domestic violence: <http://eprints.uwe.ac.uk/15424/>.

**BDAF window stickers** - designed for cars, these advertise the local DVA helpline number and are available free of charge from the NHS KRIS distribution service and will be sent for you to collect from your nearest health centre. <http://www.avon.nhs.uk/kris/default.htm> to order - see <http://www.bdaf.org.uk/professionals/resources> for this and other BDAF and relevant resources, mostly available for free download, through KRIS or from other agencies for a usually small charge.

**Equality South West** is marking the one year anniversary of its membership scheme with new benefits to help members keep up-to-date on the latest equality, diversity and human rights developments. <http://equalitysouthwest.org.uk/membership-scheme>