



About the Conference

What is the Voices Restored Conference?

Voices Restored is a three-day, in-person professional summit focused on the urgent and often-overlooked issue of strangulation violence. Hosted by HAVEN, this national training and networking event features expert-led sessions, cutting-edge research, and survivor-informed best practices to advance advocacy, prevention, and accountability.

Who should attend?

This conference is designed for multidisciplinary professionals, including:

- Law enforcement and investigators
- Prosecutors and legal professionals
- Healthcare providers and forensic nurses
- Advocates and social workers
- EMS, fire, and first responders
- Mental health and trauma specialists
- Policy makers and community leaders

Conference Format

- **Days 1 & 2:** *STRANGULATION: The Last Warning Shot* – a nationally acclaimed two-day intensive training with experts Casey Gwinn, JD; Bill Smock, MD; and Joe Bianco
- **Day 3:** Breakout sessions hosted by HAVEN and community professionals (Call for Proposals prior to June 1, 2025—more information on event page)

Location & Lodging

Where is the conference located?

The conference will take place at Auburn Hills Marriott Pontiac.

Are discounted hotel rates available?

Yes. HAVEN is partnering with Auburn Hills Marriott Pontiac for discounted hotel rooms. First priority for discounted HAVEN block hotel rooms will be through July 1, 2025.

How do I reserve my discounted hotel room?

[Click here](#) to reserve your room prior to July 1 or call the hotel directly to book.

Registration

When does registration open?

Registration is open! Sponsorships are also available.

What's included with registration?

- Access to all conference sessions and trainings
- Daily continental breakfast, lunch and snacks
- Conference materials and session handouts
- Certificate of attendance
- MCOLES credits (if applicable)
- Networking opportunities

Will CEUs be offered?

Yes. Continuing education credits are currently available for:

- Law enforcement (MCOLES-approved)

We are currently working on CEU's for nurses, social workers and other attendees. Stay tuned!

MCOLES Resources

Registered with MCOLES and eligible for use of Law Enforcement Distribution (LED) funds per PA 302 of 1982 and/or Continuing Professional Education (CPE) funds per PA 203 of 1965.

- [Registering In-Service Training Courses in MITN](#)
 - [Step by Step How to Register In-Service Training in MITN.pdf](#)
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Speaking Opportunities

Interested in presenting a breakout session?

We're seeking proposals from professionals, survivor leaders, and advocates to present during Day 3. Proposals should reflect innovation, collaboration and survivor-centered care. RFPs will be released before June 1, 2025.

Sponsors & Exhibitors

Can I support this conference as a sponsor or exhibitor?

Yes! Sponsorships and exhibitor tables offer your organization great visibility and impact. Packages include benefits like complimentary registrations, logo placement and engagement opportunities.

Request a sponsor packet by emailing: conference@haven-oakland.org or visit the conference page to download.

Meals & Accessibility

Will meals be provided?

Yes. A continental breakfast and lunch will be served daily. Vegetarian, vegan, and gluten-free options will be available.

Is the event accessible?

Absolutely. The venue will be ADA-compliant, and we welcome accommodation requests during registration.

Volunteer With Us

Can I help at the conference?

Yes! Volunteers are vital to our event's success. Email volunteer@haven-oakland.org to learn how you can get involved or visit our volunteer site [here](#).

Contact Us

Still have questions? We're happy to help.

 Email: conferece@haven-oakland.org

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