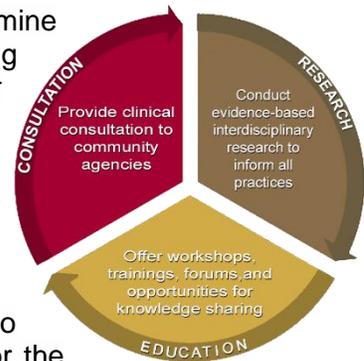


For Immediate Release:

University of Denver and OCBN Collaborate to Produce Programming on Targeted Violence & Domestic Terrorism Prevention

Dateline March 30, 2022, Denver/Aurora, CO: The University of Denver (DU) and Our Community Broadcasting Network (OCBN) have formed a collaboration to produce an internet-based video series featuring the *Colorado Resilience Collaborative* (CRC) initiative to identify and counter Targeted Identity Violence and support those impacted by it. The series is being produced by Dennis Stretar and hosted on OCBN and will consist of an overview presentation for background and context, followed by eight modules, complete with resource information, that will be available to groups, organizations, agencies, and the public.

The *Colorado Resilience Collaborative* was founded in 2017 to examine the issue of identity-based violence in Colorado. In 2019, with funding from the National Governor’s Association, the CRC and other stakeholders held the *Summit on Preventing Targeted Violence* to identify State resources, needs, and gaps in addressing various forms of targeted violence. The CRC is currently funded by the *Department of Homeland Security – Office of Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention*, through 2022, to expand comprehensive training, deliver expert consultation services for professionals and agencies across Colorado, and develop an online resource library to promote sustainable training and technical assistance materials for the prevention of targeted violence.



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The CRC is housed at the Graduate School of Professional Psychology and the Training and Outreach Team define the CRC initiative as: “... an inter-disciplinary initiative that supports those impacted by targeted violence, including identity-based violence, hate crimes, violent extremism, and domestic terrorism. Through trauma-informed, culturally responsive, and

inclusive approaches, we promote understanding, healing, and help for individuals, agencies, and communities affected by targeted violence. We work to increase community capacity to identify, prevent and disrupt targeted violence.”

OCBN is self-funding the production and hosting costs of the programming to supply a crucial tool to help maintain the safety of the community-at-large. This collaboration is consistent with the mission of the OCBN initiative to promote best practices for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion as well as provide Health and Wellness resources to our multicultural community. As modules are completed, they will be posted on the OCBN website. The programs will also be available, at no cost, to embed on websites and e-newsletters for groups and organizations. For more information contact the individuals listed below.



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