Wakanda in the Anti-Sexual Violence Movement: Sustaining a Women of Color Caucus

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CT Alliance to End Sexual Violence
WOCCASA was founded in 1998

The caucus’ mission is to increase the representation and leadership of women of color within the CT Alliance to End Sexual Violence Coalition and its member centers.
20th Anniversary Gala

On September 27th, 2018 we celebrated our 20th anniversary. With music, presentations, food and dancing.
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We meet quarterly for a full day meeting as well as hosting an annual retreat.

We also have a seat on our board of directors.

We try and have a guest speaker a few times a year.
Caucus Intros

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Introduce yourself to your neighbor.

1. Thing you are excited about.
2. thing you're nervous about.
3. Thing you want to be acknowledged for.
Caucus Goals

- Self-Care
- Healing
- Connection
- Respite
- Support
- Empowerment
Annual Retreat

Each year we have an annual day-long retreat. During the retreat we:
- Prepare for the next year.
- Bond
- Build Community & Sisterhood.
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- We visited each of our member centers, and did a short presentation on WOCCASA.
Leadership Committee

- Opt in leadership committee
- Shared leadership
- We moved from Robert's Rule of Order
Challenges
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Attendance
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White Supremacy
Colorism & Internalized Oppression
Queer Antagonism
Tips & Lessons Learned

- Buy In
- Prevention
- Structure
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- Create parameters, but be flexible
- Have Fun
- Be yourself
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