



ICADV IOWA COALITION AGAINST  
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A creative arts contest to raise awareness for  
Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month.

February 8-24, 2021



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## Calling all Artists, Creators and Visionaries!

February is [Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month](#), and we are so excited to announce that we are hosting a **[What is Love](#)** art contest

All Iowa High School students, ages 14-18, can submit a piece of artwork that expresses their idea of "What is Love?" beginning Monday, Feb. 8 through Wednesday, Feb. 24, 2021.

**[Click here to sign up and review the full contest details](#)**

Entries can be submitted into two categories:

- 2D Art: painting, sketch, short essay, photography, digital or mixed media
- Video: spoken word poetry, skit, song or short film (maximum 3 minutes)

## Prizes

Three entries in each of the two categories will receive a cash prize. First place will be \$200 and the second and third runner up will each receive \$50. The winners will be announced on Friday, Feb. 26.

Questions? Contact Lindsay at [lindsay@icadv.org](mailto:lindsay@icadv.org).

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## February is Black History Month

[Black History Month](#) is an annual celebration to recognize and celebrate the achievements and contributions of African Americans in our country. All month long, events will be held across Iowa and the country to lift up African American stories of the past, present and future.



## 2021 Black History Month Events in Iowa

- [Self-Guided Scavenger Hunt + George Washington Carver Exhibit](#)
  - [Screening: George Washington Carver: An Uncommon Life](#)
  - [Story Sprouts: Black History Month](#)
  - Iowa History 101 Series: [Iowa's Black Migration: Into, Around, Out Of and Back Again](#)
  - [Visit the African American Museum of Iowa](#)
  - [Virtual tour of the George A. Jackson Black Cultural Center](#)
  - ["There Eyes Were Watching God" Book Club and Discussion](#)
  - [The 1619 Project presented by the Iowa City Senior Center](#)
  - [Climate Change and Communities of Color](#)
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## Save the Date! Our Virtual Advocacy Day is set for March 10!

In collaboration with our sister organizations, the [Iowa Coalition for Collective Change](#) and the [Iowa Coalition Against Sexual Assault](#), we will be holding a Virtual Advocacy Day on Wednesday, March 10.

More details and information will be coming out in the next couple of weeks.



In the meantime, [click here](#) for a detailed breakdown of our 2021 Legislative priorities.

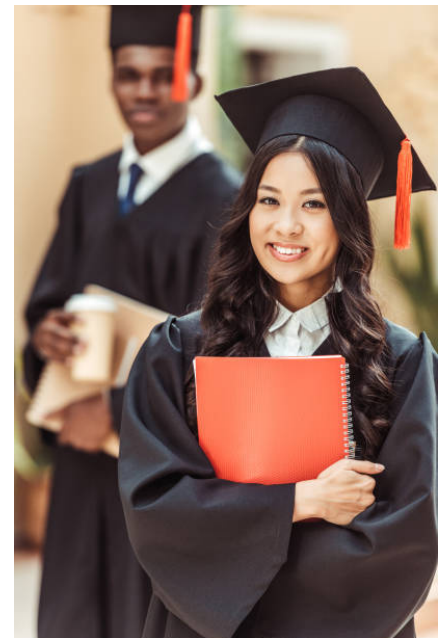
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## **Survivors awarded more than \$42,276 thanks to the Alice Barton Scholarship Program**

In January, thanks to the [Alice Barton Scholarship Program](#), the Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence awarded more than \$42,276 to survivors of intimate partner violence. The programs mission is to empower survivors of domestic violence through education and job training to increase their self-confidence, secure employment opportunities and achieve economic independence.

The Alice Barton Scholarship Program achieves its mission through annual scholarships to individual survivors of domestic violence. The money may be used to pay tuition, books, and fees for classes, and a portion may be used to pay other expenses which support the survivor's education and job training efforts, such as child care or transportation.

The program was founded by [Roxanne Conlin](#), her brother Raymond Barton, and her sister, Rhoda Olsen, in honor of their mother Alice Barton, a survivor of domestic violence.



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## **We continue to work remotely**

We have carefully considered the advisories coming out of the CDC, the Iowa Department of Health and other partners regarding COVID-19, and for that reason, the staff at the [Iowa Coalition Against Domestic](#) are working remotely and available normal business hours, M-F from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Our

office phones are set for call forwarding so you can reach our office at 515-244-8028. If no one answers, please leave a message and the voicemail will be forwarded via e-mail for a response. During this fragile time, the quickest response may come through e-mail. For a full list of staff e-mail addresses, [click here](#).

Advocates are also providing free, confidential services to services 24/7 through the [Iowa Victim Service Call Center](#) at 1-800-770-1650 or text "IOWAHELP" to 20121.