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2024 ANNUAL REVIEW



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STAFF, VOLUNTEERS & INTERNS

Bella Robinson, Founder & Executive Director (2009-2025) Tara Burns, Research & Policy Director (April 2021-Oct. 2024) Tatiana Rothchild, Research & Policy Assistant (2023-2024) Lindsey Berry, Health and Safety Education Specialist (2023-2025) Debra Harris, COYOTE CLOSET Outreach Coordinator (2024-2025) Lindsay Hoffman, Check-in Culture Coordinator (2018-2025) LaResse Harvey, Program Manager, Sister2Sister Weekly Support Group (2023-2025) Zoey Dash, Trans Rights & GenderJustice Advocate (2019-2025) Born Serenity, Transgender Service Coordinator Volunteer (2019-2025) Kayla Katt, Creator of Sex Worker StoryTelling Podcast/ Volunteer/Member (2020-2025) Susan Garland, Art Director (2017-2025) Sheila Brown, Volunteer/member (2021-2025) Lilah Rose, Disability Advocate (2019-2025) Samantha Cote, Outreach Volunteer Volunteer/member (2019-June 2024)

MUTUAL AID

The COYOTE Closet served over 2000 people in 2024 Distributed 400 doses of Naloxone, over 12,000 condoms, 100 pairs of gloves, 600 pairs of socks, and 200 hand warmers, 100+ pairs of women's underwear Provided \$25,204.66 to sex workers in crisis

Healing Hustlers

Weekly support group for sex workers and sex trafficking survivors

Sister2Sister

Weekly resource group for formerly incarcerated women

Provided \$16,356.48 in re-entry aid to women getting out of the RI ACI

ACI Services • 24 empowerment trainings • Case management for 102 women

FINANCIAL SUMMARY: WHERE DID THE MONEY GO?

Operational Costs 24% Program Services & Client Resources 43% Capacity Building 4% Staff Salaries 27%





Coalition and Movement Building

- Advisory & Steering Committee with National Council for Incarcerated and Formerly Incarcerated Women and Girls
- Project collaboration with Once Incarcerated Anonymous and The Womxns Project Steering Committee, advocating for body autonomy, reducing stigma, and protecting the rights of trans kids in RI schools
- RI-MA Solidarity For Incarcerated Workers to demand PVD City Council enforce the "First Source" Ordinance
- RI Atheists
- RI LGBT Public Policy Coalition
- Traveled to Las Vegas, Nevada to spend 3 days with "Stop The Raids Coalition" (protest outside Allegiant Stadium, labor training) photo below



Nationally, we organize with over a dozen sex worker rights groups and LGBT organizations.

Interviews

- 1. IN THE WAKE OF GEORGE FLOYD: Mapping Social Movements Related to Systemic Racism in Rhode Island: A Interview with Bella Robinson
- 2. <u>Decrimiinalizing Sex Work- Legal Imunity for all with COYOTE RI's Bella</u> <u>Robinson</u>
- 3. Rhode Island can do better than this Senate Bill/ Opinion

Presentations

- 1. <u>Beyond the Interface: Critical Perspectives of Sex Work and SexTech</u>
- 2. <u>2024 International HumanTrafficking and Social Justice Conference:</u> <u>Immunity in Reporting Laws: How to Stop Serial Killers and Sex</u> <u>Traffickers & Educational Slideshow</u>
- 3. Framingham State University: The Social Construction of Serial Killing

Tabling 1. Coming Out Day - URI



 Released 12 new episodes of the sex worker story-telling podcast
Published 12 newsletters



 International Day To End Violence Against Sex Workers Virtual Event was held on December 17th, 2024. <u>View the 2024 Memorial Video</u>



Bills Supported

 <u>H7307</u> Immunity for sex workers and sex trafficking survivors reporting heinous crimes
<u>H7833</u> & <u>S2651</u> Criminalize sexual coercion by law enforcement officers

For a full list of over 50 bills COYOTE supported or opposed in 2024, follow this <u>link.</u>

Bills Needing Amendment

<u>H7165</u> & <u>S2441,</u>

An immunity bill that does not extend immunity to Asian spa workers charged with massaging without a license, who made up 81% of prostitution-related misdemeanors charged in 2021. The bill as written would also have unintended consequences that may result in coercion and victimization of sex workers and sex trafficking survivors.



Publications

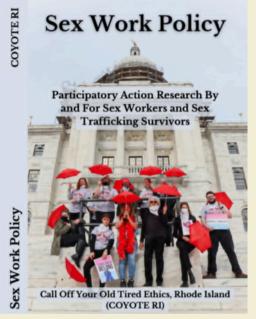
1. <u>Sex Work Policy: Participatory Action Research By and</u> <u>For Sex Workers and Sex Trafficking Survivors</u> available on Amazon

> Sex Work Policy marks the coming together of cutting edge participatory action research by and for people in the sex industry, illustrating how policy shapes their health, safety, and working conditions.

"This book is an essential resource for anyone serious about combatting sex trafficking. The data comes from six sex worker-led surveys conducted across the U.S., offering essential information on demographics, crime, safety, health, stigmo, and needed social services. Each chapter combines this community-driven data with compelling norratives and ends with actionable recommendations. The findings clearly demonstrate that sex worker led research is crucial to shaping effective and informed policies." Barbara G. Brents, Ph.D.

"An illuminating book that should be required reading for anyone proposing policies that affect sex workers or anyone writing about sex work. While steeped in data, the book is also eminently easy and engaging to read. By surveying sex workers across the country and across sex-work types, the research included in Sex Work Policy provides vital perspectives often lacking from mainstram discourse around sex work and sex trafficking and, crucially, lets these workers speak for themselves about what would do them the most good. The result is a refreshingly nuanced exploration of issues facing sex workers and a resounding reminder that many of our current policies are not serving anyone well." Elizabeth Nolan Brown

"Affirming, vital and long overdue." Antonia Crane



- 2. <u>A Tribute to December 17th: The COYOTE Project</u> (This version includes a letter to the reader and why December 17th is important)
- 3. <u>Compounding Institutional Exclusion and Harm:</u> <u>A Case Study of Federally Funded Alaskan Anti-</u> <u>Trafficking Service Providers</u>



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Amenity Aid, URI, and RI DOH for providing us with harm reduction & outreach supplies

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United Way, Haymarket Peoples Fund, RI Foundation, and RESIST for your ongoing support