From Caterpillar to Butterfly: The Trajectory of the Domestic Violence Movement

Move to End Violence, a program of the NoVo Foundation, is pleased to partner with NCADV to present a three-part exploration of the domestic violence movement’s past, present and future. Utilizing the evolution of the caterpillar to butterfly as a metaphor, Movement Makers Beckie Masaki, Kelly Miller and Lorena Estella will engage in dialogue and exercises that honor the movement’s roots, examine the pivots and transformation of the present day and explore the future of activism and organizing.

This discussion session will explore three rounds of transformation of our movement.

Round 1: Where we have been:
Describe our movement when it first catalyzed.
- What did it look, feel, sound like?
- Who was at the center? Who was leading?
- What were our strategies and approaches?
- What were our wins?
- What were our challenges?
- What were our demands?

Round 2: Where we are now:
Describe our current movement.
- What are our accomplishments?
- What are our current challenges?
- What are our huge successes/wins?
- What are our challenges and growing edges?

Round 3: Where are we headed:
Describe our movement’s trajectory.
- Where are we headed?
- What’s on the horizon?
- How are we evolving and growing?