

December 2025

SUPPORT OUR WORK

Hello!

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- Free Training for Adults: Our <u>Stewards of Children®</u> training is tonight, and you still have time to join us!
- Thank You for Supporting STAR on Giving Tuesday: The results!
- The Vagina Monologues Returns: We're bringing back this powerful performance, highlighting important voices and stories.
- Important Dates for 2026: Stay tuned for ways to get involved.

Thank you for being part of our STAR family. Your support makes our work possible.

TONIGHT, DECEMBER 16!







FREE TRAINING FOR ADULTS

LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

- Understanding the impact of child abuse
- Recognizing the signs
- Minimizing opportunities
- · Reacting responsibly
- Building a safer community
- How to take action to protect children



TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM ONLINE VIA ZOOM



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Reserve Your Spot

Giving Tuesday: Thank You!



What a day! Our community raised nearly \$4,000 to keep STAR's mission strong. This support ensures survivors have a trusted place to turn and allows prevention programs to reach classrooms and communities statewide. Whether you donated, shared the campaign, or introduced STAR to someone new, you made this Giving Tuesday shine. Thank you!

We're also proud to be part of something bigger. *Across the United States, Giving Tuesday generated \$4 billion in donations from more than 38 million people* (WOW!). STAR is honored to stand alongside nonprofits nationwide in this global wave of generosity, showing that when communities unite, lasting change is possible.

From all of us at STAR: Thank you for standing with survivors, families, and youth. Your generosity keeps hope alive, makes healing possible, and strengthens prevention every day, all year round!

Special Thanks

On Giving Tuesday, the Debarr branch of <u>Credit Union 1</u> generously donated large storage totes filled with personal hygiene items, socks, underwear, blankets, hats, and gloves for our clients.

We appreciate your support in stocking our supply closet with essential items, especially during the cold winter months. Thank you, Credit Union 1, for your ongoing commitment to local communities and for meeting essential needs and supporting survivors year after year!







We would also like to thank **Dominion Ministries** for their awesome donation of warm hats, gloves, and hand warmers for our clients. Many come in without winter gear, and your kindness really helps keep them cozy. We truly appreciate it!

THE VAGINA MONOLOGUES RETURN!

Mark your calendars! On Friday, February 13, 2026, STAR Alaska brings *The Vagina Monologues* to the Bear Tooth Theatrepub for one unforgettable night.

This bold, hilarious, and deeply moving production celebrates women's voices and sparks powerful conversations about ending violence and embracing empowerment.

Tickets will go on sale on the <u>Bear Tooth TheatrePub</u> website this Friday, December 19. We hope to see you there!



Want to be part of the all-volunteer cast?

Auditions are happening Saturday, January 10, from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Being in the cast is more than just performing; it's about connecting, celebrating, and helping bring an unforgettable show to life. No formal acting experience is required. Just show up, bring your energy, and be part of the excitement!

Audition Form

Other Ways to Get Involved

Not up for the spotlight? You can still support in other ways:

- **Promotion Crew:** Spread the word on social media, hang posters, and share event buzz.
- **Day-of-Event Volunteers:** Help with guest check-in, information table, or provide technical support.
- Hospitality Team: Assist with cast support, backstage needs, and day-of logistics.

If you would like to be in the cast or if you are interested in volunteering, click the button below to download the form and email it to **star@staralaska.org** by January 8, 2026.

Yes, I'm in!

Coming up in 2026



February: Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month

Throughout February, we will highlight prevention and education efforts to promote healthy relationships for young people. Campaigns, workshops, and youth-focused resources will empower teens and families to recognize warning signs and build safe, respectful connections.



The Vagina Monologues (February 13, 2026)

This powerful performance returns to Anchorage, amplifying women's voices and experiences through bold, moving monologues. Proceeds benefit STAR's mission, while the event fosters community dialogue on gender, empowerment, and healing.



April: Sexual Assault Awareness Month

STAR Alaska will lead awareness initiatives across the community, offering educational programs, survivor-centered events, and prevention campaigns. April is a time to honor resilience, raise visibility, and inspire collective action against sexual violence.



Annual STAR Masquerade Ball (April 25, 2026)

STAR's signature gala is back, this year at the stunning Lakefront in Anchorage! We're thrilled to bring back our wildly popular comfort theme, making space for everyone to show up exactly as they are.

Whether you feel best in formalwear, festive attire, or something casual, you'll be right at home. Join us for an evening filled with inspiration, joy, and impact, as we celebrate resilience and community while raising vital support for STAR's mission.

The holidays can be a tough time for survivors of sexual assault, and we want you to know that you're not alone. If this season feels heavy, lonely, or overwhelming, we're here for you. At STAR, we're ready to listen, believe in you, and stand by your side.

Healing, safety, and support are important no matter the time of year, and we're here to help, even during the holidays. If you need someone to talk to, don't hesitate to call STAR's 24/7 confidential crisis line at (907) 276-7273 or visit us at staralaska.com for resources and support. You deserve care and understanding.

This festive season, we're thinking of anyone who...



Is worried about a loved one



Finds the holidays a lonely time



Is not feeling up to festivities



Is triggered by festive food



Experiences grief at this time of year



Is worried about money



Is working through the holidays



Is on a waiting list for support



Is unsure how they'll cope

victims/survivors, their families and our communities.

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