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Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence hosting [2nd Annual Dia de los Muertos Tribute](#) to raise awareness for gender-based violence this Saturday, October 15, 2022

DES MOINES, Iowa – October 13, 2022 – The [Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence \(ICADV\)](#) is hosting their [2nd Annual Dia de los Muertos \(Day of the Dead\) Tribute](#) on Saturday, October 15, 2022, in recognition of [Domestic Violence Awareness Month \(DVAM\)](#). The event will occur from 1-4 p.m. at Water Works Park in Des Moines.

This year's Tribute will include live music from [Calle Sur](#), spoken word performances, children's activities, a community resource fair, chocolate and pan dulce – traditional Dia de los Muertos treats, and a free COVID-19 Mobile Clinic hosted by [Primary Health Care, Inc.](#), and the [Refugee & Immigrant Vaccine Alliance \(RIVA\)](#) in partnership with [L.U.N.A.](#), and ICADV. The event and all activities are free.

The Coalition invites the community to join them in remembering the names, faces, and stories of individuals who have lost their lives to gender-based violence. Attendees are welcome to bring a photograph of a loved one to place on this year's Ofrenda (altar) designed by Dawn Martinez Oropeza, Jennifer Cardenas-Hernandez, Ivy Florez, and [|drēm|sēd|](#), a youth-led business created by young people from [Al Éxito](#), to honor and elevate the stories and names of individuals who have been taken from their families and communities too soon.

“Supporting victims, families, and communities impacted by violence takes all of us,” says Dr. Maria Corona, executive director of ICADV. Gender-based violence is a public health issue with serious consequences to individuals, families and communities. Our [2nd Annual Dia de los Muertos Tribute](#) is the perfect opportunity for everyone to come together, recognize, and support the stories and experiences of individuals who have experienced violence.”

To learn more about the Tribute, ICADV's activities during DVAM, their programs, or to connect with your local victim service program, visit www.icadv.org.

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About the Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence

The Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence (ICADV) provides education, support, and technical assistance to domestic violence service providers, enabling them to establish housing and supportive services for victims /survivors and their dependents. We also serve as an information clearinghouse, primary point of contact, and resource center on domestic violence for the state. We support the development of policies, protocols, and procedures to enhance domestic violence intervention and prevention in Iowa.

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