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Nevada Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence Announces New Executive Director Cameron Ballantyne

The Nevada Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence (NCEDSV) staff and board are excited to announce the hiring of Cameron Ballantyne as their new Executive Director. After 30+ years of helming the statewide coalition, Sue Mueschke is retiring. Ever the advocate for those in need of strong services, Mueschke has ensured a smooth transition will be implemented as she and Ballantyne work together to fortify existing relationships, strengthen budding connections, and create important in-roads across the state.

Ballantyne joins the NCEDSV with decades of experience assisting those in various forms of crisis. Having started off his career as a news announcer and producer, Ballantyne came to relate to the deep pain people were experiencing when social safety nets were weak. This is when he decided to put empathy into action and he began his non-profit work. "I realized I could use my skill-set to improve lives by ensuring those experiencing crises were not left to do so alone," Ballantyne says.

While Ballantyne is new to the field of domestic and sexual violence, he will bring the same tenacity to this position as he has to other challenges throughout his career. He also plans to utilize his staff's knowledge base. "I am thrilled to work alongside of, and learn from, some of the staunchest victim-survivors and allies I have ever met. My colleagues are incredibly well-rounded, deeply informed on these issues, and remarkably devoted to our field and I will rely heavily on them as I learn the ropes," Ballantyne states.

Ballantyne joins the NCEDSV with over two decades of leadership experience, including having served as the Chief Executive Officer for the Boys & Girls Club and Executive Director of the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Both of these roles were located in the Southwest, giving him a strong appreciation for the unique lived experiences of those in a similar geographic region. He is deeply experienced in political affairs, marketing strategy, fund development and cultural competencies.

About NCEDSV

The Nevada Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence (previously The Nevada Network Against Domestic Violence), is the statewide coalition of domestic and sexual violence programs. NCEDSV provides statewide advocacy, education and support to the front-line organizations that help those impacted by domestic and sexual violence. To learn more about services provided by NCEDSV, visit <u>ncedsv.org</u>