



## Grandparents: Sabiduria y Amor

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New Mexico Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs Inc. in Albuquerque, NM created the Sabiduría y Amor Project, drawing upon the strengths of grandparents as advocates for vulnerable children who are particularly at risk for childhood sexual abuse.

### Communities

Communities of color  
Grandparents  
Immigrant/Refugee  
Latinx  
Men

Survivors  
Women

### Products

Curriculum: Participant curriculum.  
Curriculum: Peer trainer curriculum  
Language access: English and Spanish

### System:

Advocacy/rape crisis  
Therapeutic/mental health

### Level:

Local



### Enhance Partnerships

Partnered with a state Representative, community leaders, as well as South Valley Multipurpose Senior Center.



### Measure Impact

An informal needs assessment helped shape the program. A screening survey that assessed knowledge and behavior change was developed and employed as an evaluation method. The evaluation of the program showed marked improvement in knowledge, willingness to act, and commitment to act to protect children from sexual abuse.



### Build Champions

Train-the-trainer model reached 12 peers-leaders.



### Train & Educate

Curriculums were adapted with permission from the "Where We Live" curriculum and from Stop It Now! resources. The training program was presented in 2 sessions using discussion, video, powerpoint and child-centered homework activities. 12 peers were trained who then presented 8 workshops totaling 37 people.



### Provide Resources

Provided mentoring to ensure 100% completed the training as well as leveraged significant recruitment and community-building.

### What's next:

Project's promotora expert is interested in presenting on the project to other programs who would like to use this model as a template.  
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