What is the VOCA grant?
The Washington State Long-Term Care Victim of Crime Assistance (VOCA) is grant funded through the Washington State Department of Commerce, Victims of Crime Assistance Program and was written by the Washington State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program to enhance the Washington State Long-Term Care Ombudsman program in serving victims of crime, to provide training for ombuds to increase their trauma-informed practice skills, increase their supportive presence to act as facilitators, and actively connect victims of abuse, neglect and financial exploitation living in long-term care facilities to the assistance they may need in their communities.

How did this program get started?
The idea for this program began with the LTCOP’s participation in the Washington Alliance to End Sexual Violence in Long-Term Care, a grant through the Office of Violence Against Women, where there was an identified need for long-term care residents to have a dedicated point person, to assist in carrying their wishes forward. Although elder abuse is often reported to the proper authorities and investigates, victims rarely receive individual advocacy. With this grant we hope to change that.

How will we receive the training?
The LTCOP State Office has created an online portal where volunteers and staff will be able to log-on and access a wealth of information including a Prezi presentation, reference guide, brochures, resource lists a bibliography and much more! Using the tools in this online portal you will be able to lead volunteers across the state in a presentation that is either self guided relying on recorded audio, or together in an in-service meeting either using the audio or facilitated through the reference guide.
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FAQ

What is a Prezi?
Prezi is a web based software alternative to Powerpoint. Unlike the traditional Powerpoint, Prezi exists online, and with the link you will be able to take the presentation anywhere there’s an internet connect. During this program we will be using a recording of Prezi. If you are interested in organizing your own program please take one minute to review how to use the program at: http://bit.ly/PreziNextTutorial. For additional support you can reach out to Courtney Neubauer at neubauer.courtney@gmail.com or check out this guide by Prezi: support.prezi.com/hc/en-us

How do I use Prezi?
For the purposes of this program to access this training you copy this web address in your search bar:
https://www.waombudsman.org/we-can-respond-to-crime/
and when prompted enter this password: LTCOP@2018

Can I do my own program?
Absolutely! To institute your own program, or use your own examples please contact Douglas for approval.

What if I need help?
For any additional resources, questions, or comments you can reach Douglas at (360) 454-4146 or by email at douglas.samuels@mschelps.org

Monday 10:00 am-12:00 pm
Tuesday 1:00 pm- 3:30 pm
Wednesday 1:30 pm -4:30 pm
Thursday 10:30 am- 12:30 pm
Friday 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Thank You!