The **VOICES Survivor Advocacy Network** is a program of Alliance for HOPE International. The network is comprised of volunteers who celebrate their strength and survival. These brave individuals use their voices to help others through advocacy, education, and empowerment. VOICES Committees are an important part of Family Justice Centers (FJC) in their communities. Members support each other as well as incoming FJC clients. As survivors, VOICES can offer a unique perspective in regards to a Center’s established programming, and/or identify gaps in services.

The first VOICES chapter was launched in San Diego in 2002. At that time, members of VOICES served as an advisory committee for the San Diego Family Justice Center, assisted with training and spoke at various public events to bring awareness to the services provided at the Family Justice Center.

A national movement was later supported by a Steering Committee, created by the Family Justice Center Alliance.

VOICES is developing an outreach effort, through local chapters, to create a nationwide group of survivors to educate the public about family violence, as well as support new and existing Family Justice Centers. It is the vision of active chapters to connect and engage with other VOICES chapters nationally to share news and successes as well as collaborate on new ideas. It is the role of the Alliance to support chapters, help them network, and provide Technical Assistance to Centers wishing to establish a VOICES Committee.

“I am excited to help others get out of an abusive relationship and not go through what I went through.”

- Mary, Survivor and VOICES Member