The Delilah Rumburg Vision for Leadership Fund

Mentorship • Leadership • Relationships • Innovation

Strong leadership is vital to the movement to end sexual violence.
“In periods where there is no leadership, society stands still. Progress occurs when courageous, skillful leaders seize the opportunity to change things for the better.”

-Harry Truman,
33rd President of the United States
Dear Friends,

It is a great honor for me to introduce to you the Delilah Rumburg Vision for Leadership Fund. For more than two decades, Delilah has been a colleague, friend, and inspiration. I’ve seen her work firsthand while my husband, Tom, was governor of the Commonwealth. I worked personally with her and her team at PCAR to launch and grow the Vision of Hope Gala & Auction, which has continued to prosper under her leadership for more than a decade.

As leaders today, Tom and I know the importance of investing resources in mentoring and developing the skills of future leaders to carry on our work. Delilah and her teams at the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape and National Sexual Violence Resource Center do as well.

That’s why we’re launching the Delilah Rumburg Vision for Leadership Fund and why I am pleased to serve as Honorary Chair.

The work of the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape and National Sexual Violence Resource Center is vital to the very fabric of our Commonwealth and our country. PCAR and its network of rape crisis centers serve thousands of men, women and children each year—and provide prevention and education in our communities. NSVRC provides information and tools to help communities across the nation prevent and respond to sexual violence. They are working to prevent sexual abuse and help those who have been harmed recover.

Delilah has lead these efforts for 23 years, and we are all better for it. With her announced retirement, now is the time to invest in the next generation of leaders. We are eager to honor her legacy of leadership with the creation of a fund that will enable the training and mentoring of up-and-coming women and men who will follow in her footsteps to end sexual violence.

With your support, I’m sure we will be successful.

Warmly,

Michele Ridge

Honorary chair, Delilah Rumburg Vision for Leadership Fund
Former Pennsylvania First Lady
Impact of PCAR & NSVRC

Founded in 1975, the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape (PCAR) advocates for the rights and needs of sexual assault victims and works to end sexual violence. PCAR partners with a network of rape crisis programs to bring help, hope, and healing around issues of sexual violence in all 67 counties of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

As the longest-standing anti-sexual assault coalition, PCAR has a proud history as a national leader in this work. In 2000, PCAR established the National Sexual Violence Resource Center (NSVRC) through a cooperative agreement with the Centers for Disease Control to serve the needs of those working to end sexual violence throughout the United States.

Today, NSVRC is the leading nonprofit in providing information and tools to prevent and respond to sexual violence. NSVRC translates research and trends into best practices that help individuals, communities, and service providers achieve real and lasting change. NSVRC leads the nationally observed Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) each April, and maintains the world’s largest specialized library collection on sexual violence.

PCAR and NSVRC continue to work together with a national impact, including a partnership with the California Coalition Against Sexual Assault – PreventConnect and the National Alliance to End Sexual Violence to found Raliance, a collaborative initiative dedicated to ending sexual violence in one generation.

As national leaders, we see the possibility of innovation and future directions for the field. We also see the potential of investing in individuals and organizations throughout the country who are critical to addressing the impact of sexual violence and to creating safe communities. Your gift to the Delilah Rumburg Vision for Leadership Fund serves this vital mission.

Ending sexual violence cannot be done with government funding alone. Achieving a world free of sexual violence requires the participation of individual people, communities, companies, civic groups, religious institutions, and you.

Finances

Over 92%* of our funds are dedicated to programs and services.

Our commitment to ending sexual violence is evidenced by a proven financial track record of using funds as effectively as possible. This usage includes stewardship of federal and state dollars to fund services provided by a network of rape crisis centers in Pennsylvania as well as the National Sexual Violence Resource Center.

For full financial information visit: www.pcar.org/about-us/financial-information

*Fiscal Year 2015-16, RKL LLP
We have a proud history, and with your help, we will continue to lead the way to a bright future free from sexual violence.

Fund Overview

The Delilah Rumburg Vision for Leadership Fund supports the development of skilled professionals, dynamic leaders, and inspiring innovators in sexual violence prevention and response, while honoring the legacy of a transformative leader in this vital work.

The goal of the fund is to invest in the development of leadership among staff and programs working to prevent and respond to sexual violence in Pennsylvania and across the nation. By investing in tomorrow’s leaders today, we are taking a strategic opportunity to promote the highest quality victim services and cutting-edge prevention efforts.
“As an experienced leader, strategist, and innovator, Rumburg guided tremendous growth at the national, state, and local levels.”
About Delilah Rumburg

PCAR and NSVRC CEO Delilah Rumburg established the Vision for Leadership Fund in 2017, the year her retirement was announced, after two decades of transformative leadership in sexual violence prevention and response. An experienced leader, strategist, and innovator, Rumburg guided PCAR and NSVRC to tremendous growth at the national, state, and local levels throughout her tenure, beginning with her appointment as CEO of PCAR in 1995.

Her keen eye for hiring and retaining talent helped PCAR grow rapidly. She led the effort to elevate PCAR and its work to a national stage by chartering the National Sexual Violence Resource Center through a cooperative agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in 2000. She championed numerous federal and state legislative triumphs, including the first reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act in 1999 and subsequent reauthorizations in 2005 and 2011.

Recently, Rumburg has led efforts such as developing a partnership with the National Football League to launch Raliance, an unprecedented collaboration with the California Coalition Against Sexual Assault and the National Alliance to End Sexual Violence dedicated to ending sexual violence in one generation. Since its launch in June 2016, Raliance has distributed 41 grants totaling nearly $1.8 million for sexual violence prevention and response.

Her national leadership has included delivering expert testimony at key Congressional briefings on the impact of rape and sexual assault in our nation, and provided guidance and leadership to two Department of Defense Task Forces on Sexual Assault. Rumburg also served on the National Advisory Committee on Violence Against Women under Presidents Clinton and Bush. She traveled to military bases throughout the United States, Europe, South Korea, Iraq, and Kuwait to help develop recommendations on how the military can improve services to victims of sexual assault and enhance prevention programming in the armed forces. She also participated in the Global Partnership to End Violence Against Women in South Africa in 2011.

Prior to PCAR and NSVRC, Rumburg was Executive Director at Access York, a shelter for battered women, and Director of Major Gifts and Planned Giving at the American Heart Association.
Why this fund is vital

The Delilah Rumburg Vision for Leadership Fund will benefit communities, non-profits and individuals. By providing opportunities for leadership growth to promising staff members in the field of sexual violence prevention and intervention throughout the country, the fund will help to cultivate the anti-sexual assault movement with change-makers who are fully prepared to make a difference in their communities.

Our communities depend on us, and survivors of sexual violence need us.

We are proud to demonstrate our commitment to excellence and success through the Delilah Rumburg Vision for Leadership Fund. Your gift is an investment in our mission and honors the legacy of a trailblazing leader who understands just how vital leadership development is to ending sexual violence.
Who will benefit

The most effective leaders utilize resources and opportunities to develop expertise, skill, and character that impact their organizations and improve their communities. The fund will impact:

**Individuals:**
- Advancing leadership development
- Relationship-building and mentorship opportunities
- Enhancing training and skill development
- Promoting education and advancement
- Fostering leadership opportunities for traditionally marginalized populations

**Organizations:**
- Developing a pipeline of strong and motivated leaders to fill the line of succession
- Impacting sexual assault-related policy at the state and federal levels
- Providing autonomy for funding of trainings and development
- Increasing sustainability and quality of services

**Communities:**
- Promoting innovation and best practices for lasting change
- Developing new and diverse programming to prevent sexual abuse
- Increasing capacity to respond to the needs of communities

Your support will help to advance the change-makers necessary to continue the fight to end sexual violence.
Today, you can make a difference that will impact generations.

Imagine a world without leaders in social change.

A world where Gloria Steinem, founder of the Women’s Action Alliance, didn’t dedicate her life to fighting for women’s rights and equality.

A world where Bill Gates does not lead the way in the fight to improve the health and educational opportunities of those living in developing countries.

A world where Nancy Lablin, now a Forbes 50 Greatest Leaders honoree, doesn’t launch her first non-profit at age 25 from a $5,000 inheritance to help women reach their potential in business, or grow Do Something into a global non-profit.

The world would be a remarkably different place. Strong leadership positively impacts communities, people, and our collective well-being. That’s why we established the Delilah Rumburg Vision for Leadership Fund, and why we need your help. We have a goal to end sexual violence—and to accomplish that goal for the safety and well-being of our communities, we must cultivate new leaders, innovators, and strategic thinkers.

Your investment will support leadership, and provide opportunities for professional growth, strategic thinking, and enhanced management skills at PCAR and other sexual assault centers and coalitions throughout the country.

The time to act is now.
Invest in the prevention of sexual violence.
Invest in effective leadership.

Invest in the Delilah Rumburg Vision for Leadership Fund.
“I think my story is a great example of what happens when we support those who desire to move into leadership. I’m where I am today because other people believed in me first and helped me succeed.”

-Delilah Rumburg
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