

# Honoring Victims and Co-victims\* of Violence: An Urban Mini-Summit



**Saturday, September 25**

**10 AM - 12 PM, via Zoom**

Register: <https://na.eventscloud.com/urban-min>

Sponsored by the Eastern PA Conference Urban Commission,  
on the [National Day of Remembrance for Murdered Victims](#).

The Eastern PA Conference Urban Commission is engaged in an ongoing exploration of the crisis, causes and consequences of urban violence, a scourge that is worsening in Philadelphia and other cities. This two-hour mini-summit includes a focus on urban youth, since they are increasingly the victims of lethal violence in our cities—on both sides of the weapon.

A special highlight of this program will be presentation of "[Our Philadelphia](#)," a brief, powerful video documentary about grief and the aftermath of gun violence from the perspective of teenagers.

*\*Co-victims, or co-survivors, of homicide are persons who have lost a loved one to homicide, including family members and friends.*

Another mini-summit is scheduled for Nov. 20, with details yet to be determined.



**The Rev. Myra Maxwell**, Co-chair of the Urban Commission and Pastor of Trinity UMC Philadelphia, will moderate the upcoming program. She directs the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office Crisis Assistance Response and Engagement for Survivors of Homicide (CARES) Unit.

#### Other presenters include:

**Ayanna Greene**, Ayanna Greene, CARES Unit Program Manager and Assistant Supervisor, will speak on "From Co-Victim to Advocate."

**Maxayn Gooden**, Co-victim, Founder and President of the WomenOfValor74 Empowerment Program and the Jahworld\_18 Mentoring and Scholarship Foundation, named in memory of her murdered son. She will speak on "Youth and Traumatic Loss."

**The Rev. G. Lamar Stewart**, Chief of Community Engagement, Philadelphia District Attorney's Office, will speak on "Traumatic Loss and Law Enforcement." He is the pastor of Taylor Memorial Baptist Church in Philadelphia and a former police officer.

**Shakina Deshazor**, Administrative Manager, Philadelphia District Attorney's Office Crisis Assistance Response and Engagement (CARES) Unit, will speak on "From Co-Victim to Advocate."

**Lisa Christian**, Director of Counseling, Anti-Violence Partnership of Philadelphia, will speak on "Faith and Counseling Support."



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