

**Jane Straub** is the Victim Assistance Specialist for Jacob Wetterling Resource Center (JWRC), a program of Zero Abuse Project. In this role, Jane trains and educates on topics related to violence and prevention and supports and advocates for victims and families struggling with the effects of abuse or neglect.

Jane has been working with youth and families for nearly 25 years, and in the field of violence prevention and intervention for almost 20 years. She advocates for and provides support to victims, families and allies of those experiencing any type of child maltreatment, exploitation, stalking and sexual assault or domestic violence. Victim and family assistance includes emotional support, aid in navigating the justice system, victim impact statements and notification procedures and compensation.

In addition, Jane trains nationally on topics such as missing persons, domestic abuse, sexual violence, stalking, trafficking, bullying/cyberbullying, reproductive coercion, healthy relationships, consent, Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) research and trauma informed care. Her training audience includes pre-school to college-age students, victim/survivors, offenders, parents, teachers, community leaders and all professionals working with youth. Jane collaborates with those in the fields of law enforcement, healthcare, education, social services and business to collectively connect the dots of risk and prevention, provide coordinated services and create hope for children and families. Jane provides direct case management in cases of family and non-family abduction; lost, injured or otherwise missing children; runaway youth; and adults missing under suspicious circumstances. Assistance includes providing emotional support, referrals for search and rescue, working with law enforcement and media, and creating posters, fliers and social media campaigns.

Jane received her degree from Arizona State University with a major in Speech Language Pathology/Audiology and a minor in Spanish. She earned a certificate in American Sign Language from St. Paul College and Coaching from Minnesota State High School League (MSHSL).