

Lovern J. Gordon

Author of The Legacy He Left Me and President of Love Life Now Foundation

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About Lovern J. Gordon

Lovern is the author of DV awareness memoir, **The Legacy He Left Me** and **President of Love Life Now Foundation, Inc. (LLN)**, which promotes year-round awareness against domestic violence (DV) and helps to bridge the gap between shelters and the communities they serve.

The 2010 winner of two back-to-back beauty pageants, Lovern started out by using the titles as a platform to increase awareness on the issue. The following year LLN was formed. Since then, she has spread awareness in various Massachusetts cities by hosting DV awareness events year-round...events that have in turn raised thousands of dollars to benefit DV shelters.

She also shares her personal story surrounding abuse (as a **15-year child witness in the Caribbean** and **adult survivor of a 2-year relationship in the United States**) with various audiences, via **keynote talks and DV workshops**. Believing the more we all talk about this issue publicly, the better a victim's chance is of seeking help, she conducts these educational Workshops at high schools, college campuses, for companies, law enforcement, HR personnel, etc. Her reach continues to span nationwide and internationally with appearances on numerous mediums, such as:

TELEVISION programs: CBS This Morning, Huffington Post Live, Security Brief TV, NBC's This is New England, WHDH's Urban Update, ABC's Cityline.
RADIO for Sirius XM's Jenny Hutt Live, WBZ News and WBUR's 90.9FM.

Some of her many accolades include:

-The **Boston Celtics** team named her one of their **Heroes Among Us** recipients for her advocacy during the Coronavirus pandemic.

-**Instagram for Business** featured her story as part of their **Women's HER-story Month 'toget-HER'** mini-documentary series.

Select Keynotes

- **The Legacy He Left Me**
How being a child witness to the issue of domestic violence, can have adverse effects on your adult relationship.
Talk based on book.
- **Ripple Effects**
How your simple act can leave long-lasting effects on a victim/survivor's life.

Select Book Titles

- **2021:** The Legacy He Left Me
- **2018:** SheWins Book Feature



Select Articles

- [Boston Celtics - Heroes Among Us Feature](#)
- [YWCA Keynote Feature](#)
- [Book Newspaper Feature](#)
- [CBS This Morning Panel](#)
- [Black Women That Inspire #11](#)
The Story Exchange
- [Campaigning to Make People Aware about Domestic Violence](#)
CIO Views Magazine Feature
- [Love Life Now](#)
Herself360 Feature
- [Instagram Marks Women's History Month With Video Series TogetHER](#)
Women's History Month feature by Instagram for Business.
- [The Bridge: Lovern J. Gordon, founded the Love Life Now Foundation to help survivors discover What's Next](#)
Inkandescent™ Inc. Feature
- ['You Can Either Have Your Friends And Your Family, Or You Can Have Me'](#)
Huffington Post Article - this story involves extreme violence and may be distressing for some readers. It has been edited for length and clarity.
- [#SheWins Book Feature on CBS Local](#)
CBS News Article
- [Spotlight on local DV Advocacy Work for Heel A Thon](#)
NBC Boston Article
- [What 3 Successful Women Learned From Their First Jobs](#)
Exhale Lifestyle Magazine
- [Meet Trailblazer Lovern Gordon](#)
Boston Voyager Magazine
- [Hot 97.7 - Woman of the Week Nod](#)
- [My Abuser Will Kill Me...](#)
Enterprise News Article
- [CBS Local - WBZ Centro Appearance](#)
- [A Beauty Queen's Platform Becomes a Nonprofit That Stands Against Domestic Abuse](#)
The Story Exchange - Article
- [The Story Exchange Profile - Defining Success](#)
- [Equipment Financing Feature](#)

Select Testimonials

Lovern is an engaging and charismatic presenter and educator. She provided an awareness workshop for our Court Appointed Special Advocates and was able to quickly create a safe and welcoming environment. It was powerful to witness a diverse group of individuals put down their guard and reflect on the fact that Domestic Violence has no racial or class boundaries. Lovern is a dynamic, authentic and inspiring woman. Boston CASA is grateful for her contribution and commitment to address social justice issues affecting our communities.

— *Adriana Cordero Raines, Recruitment and Training Manager for Boston CASA*

"You were the most impactful speaker we have ever had in our 15 years of hosting this luncheon! When I told one of our supporters how much time you spent after the event with our survivor group in attendance, she was as moved as I was."

– *Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse (AVDA) – Pam O'Brien, Executive Director – Florida*

Thank you for bringing a higher level of Domestic Violence Awareness to our WIC staff today through your professional knowledge and personal experience! Staff was truly moved through your presentation surrounding the issue of domestic violence and learned important information that will help them reach participants that could be facing domestic violence.

– *Barbara Brooks Community Coordinator Brockton WIC Nutrition Program*

"Thank you for sharing your story, signing your books for employees, and inspiring those affected by abuse to seek help. The work you do via these presentations is immeasurable!"

– *Dedicated Financial GBC – Shawn Smith, CEO – Minnesota*

Our collective THANKS for your wonderful presentation yesterday!!! I had people coming by my office all afternoon and again this morning talking about the program and how powerful they felt it was! You are an amazing speaker. We were so pleased by the full day of awareness.

– *Donna M. LeClair Coordinator - Women's Resource Center Massasoit Community College*

Lovern: It was such a pleasure to have you in class as a presenter. The students learned a lot from you. Looking forward to furthering projects surrounding the issue of domestic violence awareness.

– *Dr. Dawna M. Thomas Associate Professor, Sociology; Women's and Gender Studies Simmons College, Boston*

Thank you so much again for coming and for all your help to prepare for D.V. Awareness Week! Everyone is still talking about how remarkable you are and how much we valued your presentation and transparency.

– *Harvard Black Law Students Association - Community Outreach Representative*

"Your presentation was insightful, thought provoking and very enlightening."

– *Human Resources DV Presentation – Lisa Monsein, SHRM-CP, PHR – Boston*

"Thank you for spearheading this beautiful mission and for articulating so powerfully what many are experiencing, what life can look like on the other side of it and how others can help."

– *International Virtual DV Workshop – Think Real TV, Faisal Syed - Saudi Arabia*

We were honored to have you speak Lovern, you are a star!

– *Marcia Szymanski, Executive Director of New Hope*

"Lovern's story and how she linked it to her slides, provided a concrete picture of the cycle of violence and workshop helped how to not blame the victim."

– *Massachusetts Office for Victim Assistance (MOVA) – Advocate Academy Participant – Boston*

Lovern: Thank you very much for coming and speaking with our International Chinese Exchange Students today. Your story is one that is very

moving and needs to be told. I know it made an impact on our students. Knowing there are people who can help them is important, whether they are victims themselves or they witness an abusive situation. We will debrief in our classes and also remind students that by listening, learning and becoming more aware, they can also be agents of change.

– Nancy Centers, Ph.D Academic Counselor Tufts University at University Preparatory Program

Lovern, I just wanted to say thank you for all the amazing resources and presentation you shared with our attendees on domestic violence awareness. I am incredibly grateful that you were available to connect with the Suffolk University audience to talk about your experiences, to see your passion and to learn more about your amazing work!

– Queen-Cheyenne Wade, Suffolk University Class of 2020, Sociology Major, Center For Women's Health & Human Rights Intern

"I thought Lovern was very engaging and made a difficult topic accessible to us all."

– University of Illinois – Student – Illinois