



Ten Men is now accepting applications for our 2024-2025 cohort!
Folks interested in getting involved should fill out the
"Inquire to Join Ten Men" form at www.ricadv.org/ten-men.
Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

Summary of the Ten Men Program

Through Ten Men, participants will come together to:

- **Educate**, by discussing masculinity, patriarchy, gender roles, and domestic violence prevention
- **Engage**, by disrupting unhealthy patterns in ourselves, our relationships, and our communities, and raising the visibility of masculine-identifying folks involved in domestic violence prevention in RI
- **Mobilize**, by taking action to prevent violence, showing up for social justice movements in RI, and motivating others in our lives to act

Who Should Apply

This program is designed for men and those socialized into or identifying with masculinity, who want a space to explore their own relationship to masculine identity and the broader intersections between domestic violence, gender-based violence, and systems of oppression such as patriarchy, white supremacy, homophobia, and transphobia. If you aspire to be an active ally for gender and racial equity and want to help create culture change in your community, you should apply.

Program Commitments

- Attend monthly cohort meetings and retreats
- Communicate proactively with RICADV about scheduling issues and other barriers to participation
- Examine gender socialization on personal and structural levels
- Model healthy masculinity and gender equity in personal and professional communities
- Participate in RICADV communications initiatives, including June Men's Engagement campaign
- Participate in ongoing evaluation of the Ten Men strategy

Benefits of Participation

- Make new friends and connect with other folks committed to this collective vision
- Cultivate support and accountability among your peers
- Develop an understanding of the dynamics of intimate partner violence
- Question and explore your relationship to masculinity and gender
- Learn about ongoing movements for justice in Rhode Island, and ways to get involved
- Become a part of the Ten Men alumni community after program completion

Our Schedule: August 2024 - June 2025 (specific dates TBD)

- Monthly meetings from August 2024 to June 2025
- Two weekend retreats, one in the fall and one in the winter
- Occasional actions and events outside of the regular meeting schedule, as determined by group