

# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COORDINATING COUNCIL OF MONTEREY COUNTY

## Meeting Minutes

DATE: **May 25, 2022**

TIME: 3:30 - 5:00 P.M.

PLACE: Zoom Meeting:

**Members Attended:** 10 Agencies(Out of 17 currently seated): Roderick Franks (DSS), Herendida Delena (L. Campesinas), Lauren DeSilva(Rape Crisis), Christine Duncan(YWCA), Heriberto Estrada(Probation), Elaine McCleaf (YWCA), Julia Muruato (Health Dept), Deneen Guss(MCOE), Kenya Burton(District 1), Lee Garland (Dist 4), Sheree Goldman(District 5)

Associate Members Present: Rosemary Soto- CEO, Karlette Andersen- Fleet Family Support, Jillian Santillan – Army Family Advocacy

**Absent Members:** Cmdr. Kathy Palazzola(MCSO)- excused,)- Deacon Warren Hoy(Dio Monterey)- excused , , Pam Patterson (DA Office)- excused , Kelsey Hansen (CHS) – excused , Joan Crenshaw (Women’s Commission)-excused , Priscilla Ortega(Homeless Solutions), Becky Sherwood Pimental(DSS/Adult)

**Vacant Seats(6)** Superior Court, Chief’s Association, Medical Society, District 3, Business Community, Latino Network

### 1. Opening

a. Call to order by DVCC Chair C. Duncan Introductions 3:30

b. Quorum noted

c. Consent Agenda:

i. It is recommended that the DVCC continue to meet remotely in accordance with California AB 361. Chair, C. Duncan called for a discussion on this point – all present wanted to continue on zoom.

ii. It is recommended that the May Agenda be accepted,

iii. It is recommended that the April Meeting Minutes be accepted.

Motion made by Lee Garland, Second by Deneen Guss and Vote: all in favor

d. . Treasurer’s Report – Quarterly - Kelsey Hansen, Community Human Services 3:40

E. McCleaf reported on behalf of K. Hansen – no changes

e. Public Comments/Oral Communications: None

## 2. Old Business

3:40- 3:45

- A. Our DVCC 2021 Collaborative Goal: How has your agency improved interagency communication and support to increase services, using the family systems approach. Joan has received responses from only the YWCA & Probation, and two more agencies.

The membership asked for another reminder email. Please respond to Joan at [joan.crenshaw@comcast.net](mailto:joan.crenshaw@comcast.net) with DVCC in the title.

## 3. Updates and Announcements:

3:45-3:55

Deneen Guss announced the Safe and Healthy School and Community Commission

Invited anyone to serve, contact [Nzafiratos@montereycoe.org](mailto:Nzafiratos@montereycoe.org)

Lauren from MCRCC announced HT Trainings on zoom May 18 and upcoming June 17

## 4. Education and Information

3:55

(Roxane Wilson postponed to a later date)

Michele Dunn ACSW - Shelter Services Manager, YWCA of Monterey County

Discussed housing services and outreach by the YWCA staff – see ppt slides attached

## 5. New Business

1. Following up from the educational presentation, C. Duncan suggested the DVCC address homelessness among DV survivor population perhaps lobby for increased housing, funding and asked if our Council should attend a Board of Supervisor's Council Meeting to bring awareness.

Kenya B., Herendida D. and Michele D. all commented on how important this discussion is and that systems sometimes stymie access to help ie housing voucher funds placed in the bank disqualified a client from help from DSS due to income level.

The Council members that represent the Supervisors were tasked with discussing this issue with their respective supervisor, see if they as BOS are aware, if they are aware, if anything is being done and do they have suggestions for the DVCC to move forward as advocates?

**Specifically, Lee, Kenya and Sheree will report back at June meeting the discussions had with their supervisors.**

## 2. Proposed: Day Of Action for October DV Awareness Month

4:21

Where can the DVCC make a difference/Who can we partner with?

Lee G. suggested talking to DV victims to see what they want, need

Herendida related that it is difficult to talk while still experiencing the trauma, perhaps we should speak with children through CPS and try to determine if more counseling in schools is needed to combat depression, anxiety, bullying etc.

Lee G. reminded restrictions involved in contacting children, perhaps speaking with adults easier.

Bring ideas to next meeting and will be agenda for June.

#### **4. Working Group Reports**

4:25-4:35

- A. Statistical Collection Committee Report Joan Crenshaw - needs to meet
- B. Offender Resource Committee Goals Kelsey Hansen – EMc for K. Hansen reported Offender group met on 5/13 and had a great discussion about how to expand services and work as a team in the community. Are looking for additional resources about anyone involved in anger management to dv intervention work so can all refer to each other based on the needs of clients. Next meeting will be in August. Date TBD.
- C. Annual Conference Committee – met and still in need of a Keynote Speaker following theme Surviving to Thriving. Lee volunteered to speak for as long as we needed and also suggested Brian Bajari. R. Franks suggested Behavioral Health could speak on resiliency. Any further ideas please email Elaine or Sheree.

#### **7. Meeting Adjourned**

4:35

**Next Meeting is scheduled for June 22, 2022 through Zoom at 3:30 p.m. (as agreed by the members)**

**Missing meetings:** Three unexcused absences within a twelve-month period will constitute an automatic resignation

Future DVCC Educational Speakers:

- Seaside Family Community Support Program – June
- Epicenter - July
- Unchained - August
- CHS Salinas Valley Street Outreach for Homeless Youth - September
- Roxane Wilson Homelessness – Christine