

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COORDINATING COUNCIL OF MONTEREY

April Meeting Minutes

Date: April 24, 2024

Time: 3:00 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.

Place: Virtual Format Only- NO in person

Zoom Link:

<https://montereycty.zoom.us/j/94467350208?pwd=QnUwSIU3cTBtYy9vWDR0QytOdW11dz09>

1. Opening DVCC Chair Christine Duncan

1. Call to Order and Introductions: *Meeting called to order at 3:01pm. New members were invited to introduce themselves.*

2. Action: Review and Approve March 2024 Minutes:
Moved by: Debra Perez. Second by: Brett McFadden. Motion passes.

3. Public Comments and/or Oral/Written Communications: *None*

2. Updates

1. Update on current DVCC Financials: *No update at this time.*

3. Educational

1. Presentation from Chair Christine Duncan: *Powerpoint on Domestic Violence: A Public Health Approach. The presentation shared a definition of domestic violence and various statistics on intimate partner violence. The presentation touched on why a Public Health approach to domestic violence was important. This approach works by providing a framework which seeks to understand, what causes violence, how to respond with interventions, how to respond at the population level and how to do so with the best available evidence. Presentation can be shared with the membership.*

2. Presentation from Probation Services Manager Debra Perez: *Presentation on Probation and Domestic Violence offenders. Some requirements for the offenders are, they need to attend classes and complete community service. Probation has a counselor specifically for adult offenders. A person can be on Probation from 2-4 years, depending on the charges. For child abuse cases, there may be additional requirements and could*

stay on Probation longer, usually about 4 years. There is a Child Advocate Program for families with children 0-5 years old. The program conducts outreach and connects families with resources.

If your agency would like to present, please let Veronica know. The goal is to have 1 to 2 agencies each month share more about their services.

4. New Business

1. Goals for DVCC: *Discussion about if goals should be made for each agency or collectively as the DVCC. Last year, goals were submitted by each agency.*

2. Guidelines and expectations for DVCC working groups: *Christine will send out terms for each group via email in the next couple of days. David Elder from Seaside would like to present to the group about services offered to families.*

3. Update of the Roster.

4. VOCA: *Discussion about how VOCA was cut by 44.7% and will have a significant impact on the community. Due to the decrease in funding, there will be cuts to some services.*

5. Old Business

1. None.

6. Working Group Reports

1. Offender Intervention Working Group: Next meeting will be May 1st. Debra Perez sent out a zoom link and has received many responses.

2. Training and Development: No update.

3. Policy and Advocacy: First meeting will be May 7th at noon. Faye will send out a zoom link.

4. Annual Conference Committee: Date of the conference is tentatively on October 25, 2024. Alma Sanchez, Veronica Rios and Lauren Dasilva are on the committee, so far.

7. Announcements

1. Agency Upcoming Events or Announcements

1. YWCA will be hosting an event on October 3. Christine will send out more details.

2. CHS-Pathways to Safety program is accepting referrals for families in need of services.

3. Today is Kelsey's last meeting. She will be moving on to Salinas Fire and become 1 of the 2 female firefighters on the team. She was congratulated and thanked for her commitment to DVCC.

4. District Attorney's Victim Dedication Ceremony is on Friday April 26, 2024 at noon. All are invited to attend.

5. Today is Denim Day.

8. Adjourn 3:43pm

Please Note: NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR May 22, 2024 via Zoom.

FYI: Quorum: Fifty (50%) plus one of the seated Council members, in attendance, shall constitute a quorum, but in no case shall a legally constituted meeting be held without a quorum.

1. **Missing meetings:** Three unexcused absences within a twelve-month period will constitute an automatic resignation and the Chair will ask your agency to appoint a new member.