

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COORDINATING COUNCIL OF MONTEREY

The mission of the Domestic Violence Coordinating Council is as follows:

To improve coordination between agencies, departments, and the courts for the benefit of victims of domestic violence and abuse.
To promote effective prevention, intervention, and treatment techniques which will be developed based upon research and data collection.
To improve the response to domestic violence and abuse so as to reduce the incidents thereof the Council may, if necessary, establish procedures, conduct reviews, develop policies, and take all other actions necessary to further the board objectives of responsiveness to domestic violence and related issues, subject to approval of the Board of Supervisors.

June Meeting Minutes

Date: June 26, 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>

Regular Members in Attendance via Zoom: Christine Duncan (Chair/YWCA), Faye Bates (Vice Chair/SART), Veronica Rios (Secretary/DA), August Rivera (Treasurer/YWCA), Katy Grant (Superior Court), Alma Sanchez (DA), Debra Perez (Probation), Priscilla Ortega (Community Homeless Solutions), Jeanne Hori-Garcia (County Commission on the Status of Women), Roderick Franks (DSS), Marmolejo Murato (Dept. of Health), Lauren DaSilva (MCRCC), Gloria Rivera-Perez (APS), Angelica Meza (Community Human Services), Rosa Linda (Community Human Services) and Herendida Delena (Lideres Campesinas).

Associate Members in Attendance via Zoom: Jillian Santillanez (Army Family Advocate) and Karlette Anderson (Family Advocacy Program-Naval) .

Public Members in Attendance via Zoom: Caitlan Zamudio, Brittany McFadden and Tatiana Drain.

1. Opening DVCC Chair Christine Duncan

1. Call to Order and Introductions: *Call to order at 3:01pm. Due to numerous new members, everyone introduced themselves.*
2. Action: Review and Approve May 2024 Minutes
Moved by: Roderick Franks. Second by: Priscilla Ortega. Motion passes.
3. Public Comments and/or Oral/Written Communications: *None*

2. Educational

1. Training and Development DVCC working group PowerPoints- Jillian Santillanez
Jillian briefly went through three powerpoints with the group that the committee worked on. The powerpoint topics included, Understanding Trauma, Risks of Strangulation, and Laws and

Criminal Justice Procedure. Jillian asked for the powerpoints to be emailed to the group, so they can better review them. The goal of the presentations were to provide information to the community that they would want to learn about. Discussion about the best way to proceed with presenting the information to the community. There was an idea to add a section on the DVCC website where the community can request a presentation. Jillian agreed to be the point of contact. Herendida also volunteered to work with Jillian and the committee. Jillian will work with the committee to come up with different options that the DVCC members could vote on.

2. Domestic Violence Mandated Reporting- Faye Bates

Faye presented on bills affecting mandating reporting. The first was AB3127, which removes the requirement to report sexual assault or injuries received as a result of a domestic violence incident. She shared the arguments for and against this bill. August reported on SB1126 which stated children who witnessed or were present during a domestic violence incident does not require a cps report. This bill has been pulled. A little history of mandated reporting was shared and the criticisms of mandating reporting.

4. New Business

1. VOCA: Agencies have been notified of a cut and waiting to hear if there will be more cuts. There was a rally in San Jose to advocate for more VOCA funds. Lauren shared there was \$103 million approved to help backfill the VOCA cuts.

2. DV Awareness Month in October: Christine asked if any agencies were planning any events for October. YWCA will host a walk and will share more information as it gets closer.

3. DVCC Pamphlet Update: If anyone has updates for their agencies that they would like to add to the brochure. Alma will look through to update it as well. An updated version will be presented at the next meeting. Please email Veronica with updates.

4. DVCC Annual Conference Budget: The committee asked the DVCC if there was a budget for the conference, in the event the committee needs some funds. The DVCC has about \$7,000 in the bank. There was a concern about using some of the funds because it is not being replenished and the next board will not have any money. The committee found a gun violence expert who will cost \$4,000. Discussion about how much to spend on a speaker. Chair was concerned about the cost of the speaker and the lack of budget for the event. The hope is to offer POST and MCLE credits to attract more participants. There was a motion to book the gun violence expert. Veronica will send the expert's resume to the DVCC. Motion Passes. There was a second motion to give the committee up to \$1,000, if they need it. Motion Passes. There was a third motion for the registration cost to be raised to \$60 per participant. Motion Passes.

5. Old Business

1. None

6. Working Group Reports

- Offender Intervention Working Group: *Next meeting will be July 3, 2024 at 9:30am.*
- Training and Development: *Presented earlier in the meeting.*
- Policy and Advocacy: *Presented earlier in the meeting.*
- Annual Conference Committee: *Discussed earlier in the meeting.*

7. Announcements

1. YWCA “A week without Violence” in October.
2. June is Gun Violence Awareness Month.

8. Adjourn *Meeting adjourned at 4:30pm.*

Please Note: Next meeting is scheduled for July 24, 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.
- **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.