

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.

July Meeting Minutes

Date: July 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>

Regular Members in Attendance via Zoom: Faye Bates (Vice Chair/SART), August Rivera (Treasurer/YWCA), Katy Grant (Superior Court), Debra Perez (Probation), Priscilla Ortega (Community Homeless Solutions), Jeanne Hori-Garcia (County Commission on the Status of Women), Roderick Franks (DSS), Kenya Burton (District 1), Julia Marmolejo Murato (Dept. of Health), Lauren DaSilva (MCRCC), Gloria Rivera-Perez (APS), Angelica Meza (Community Human Services) and Herendida Delena (Lideres Campesinas).

Associate Members in Attendance via Zoom: Karlette Anderson (Family Advocacy Program-Naval) .

Public Members in Attendance via Zoom: Brittany McFadden, Tatiana Drain, Paola Chavez, and Fabiola Rufino.

1. Opening DVCC Vice Chair Faye Bates (5 minutes)

1. Call to Order and Introductions: *Call to order at 3:00pm. New participants were invited to introduce themselves.*
2. Action: Review and Approve June 2024 Minutes: *Roderick moves to approve the minutes. August seconds. Motion passes.*
3. Public Comments and/or Oral/Written Communications: *None the executive committee is aware of. Will wait for Veronica to return to confirm.*

2. Educational (40 minutes)

1. Community Homeless Solutions: *Priscilla Ortega from Community Homeless Solutions (CHS) presented on the services they are able to provide. She shared some statistics collected by their organization. They currently have 52 beds in Monterey County. They offer care after a hospital discharge, have 2 domestic violence shelters, have a shelter for the*

homeless or displaced, china town navigation center, 24 hour crisis line, and bilingual staff to assist clients.

2. *YWCA: Paola Chavez from YWCA presented on homelessness and domestic violence. She shared the different types of domestic violence, the consequences and the importance of utilizing trauma informed care with clients. They have a domestic violence shelter where clients can stay up to 8 weeks. There is also transitional housing that clients can stay up to 6 months. One of the housing requirements is that the client must be fleeing a relationship. They offer landlord education services and financial literacy classes.*
3. *Gun Restrictions: August Rivera from YWCA presented on gun rights, restrictions and restraining orders.*

4. New Business (15 minutes)

1. *Domestic Violence Awareness Month: No additional events were shared.*
2. *Updating website for outreach: There was a discussion about having the organizations' logo and information on the website. There was a suggestion to link organization websites to the DVCC website and to make a video for the website. It was also suggested the contact information should be a main line and not a specific individual, due to turnover. Will be discussed again next month.*

5. Old Business (5 minutes)

1. *DVCC Pamphlet: Still being revised.*
2. *VOCA Update: There is a one-time funding of \$103 million to help backfill.*

6. Working Group Reports (20 minutes)

- *Offender Intervention Working Group: No upcoming meeting at this time.*
- *Training and Development: No update at this time.*
- *Policy and Advocacy: AB 3127 has been stalled and will not be moved on this year. Prop 33 Allows cities to limit rent control and gives the local government more control. SB1051 requires landlords to change the locks of a protected tenant. SB 1051 also expands the allowed documentation to include a statement from third parties such as a healthcare provider or advocate. This law was enacted on July 2nd*

- Annual Conference Committee: *The venue has been secured. There is no lunch at this time. The keynote will speak about gun violence.*

7. Announcements (5 minutes)

1. National Night Out: *Is on August 6th at different cities in Monterey County.*
2. Requests for speakers for next meeting:
3. DV Rally: *There was a question about having the DV rally in a more central location. Also, requested that the date be set as soon as possible.*

8. Adjourn: *Meeting adjourned at 4:17pm.*

Please Note: Next meeting is scheduled for August 28, 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.