

# Domestic Violence Coordinating Council of Monterey County

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Summary of Meeting 8.26.09

**Members/Alternates and Working Group Chairs Present:** J. Adams, C. De Seguirant, J. Garcia B. Glick, N. Hatton, D. Jacroux, C. Mounter, E. Rodriguez, R. Soto, B. Shaw, D. Smith,

**Excused Absences:** S. Goldman, M. Brand, P. Jimenez, L. Nichols, P. Patterson, E. Robinson, R. Rodriguez, M. Uppman, J. Teeter

**Unexcused Absences (not present):** V. Barnes, A. Camacho,

**DATE:** August 26, 2009

**TIME:** 3:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Salinas Quadrangle Building, Room 110  
1000 S. Main Street

## 3:00-3:30

- 1. Call to Order & Introductions:** Meeting was called to order by N. Hatton at 3:07 pm
- 2. Amendments to the Agenda:** None
- 3. Approval of Minutes for June 24, 2009 and July 22, 2009:** Minutes were not approved due to lack of a quorum.
- 4. Public Comments and Oral Communications:** None
- 5. Education & Information (20 minutes):** None
- 6. 3:30-4:30**

Working Group Reports:

**a) Executive Committee**

**P. Patterson**

Met and prepared agenda/minutes.

**b) Offender Intervention & Accountability**

**J. Adams**

J. Adams reported that the group met and discussed training availability. TRUCHA is in the process of moving to a location near Old Town Salinas.

**c) Victim Waiting Room Ad Hoc Committee**

**B. Shaw**

B. Shaw reported that we are awaiting the demolition and construction of the new courthouse.

**d) Victims Services**

**B. Glick**

B. Glick reported that DVRT is still in operation although the program does not have a dedicated coordinator. DVRT does need a full time staff or volunteer to run the program. The current VISTA volunteer is dedicated to other projects within the agency.

**e) Medical Services**

**S. Goldman**

N. Hatton reported on behalf of S. Goldman: training for residents is currently being developed.

**f) Annual Conference Committee**

**S. Goldman**

N. Hatton reported that the committee is currently working on the bios for the speakers. The distribution of conference flyers and registration forms is via email. If email results in more registrants there may not be a need to send a mass mailing.

California Endowment approved a grant of \$1,500 and not \$2,000 as requested. The council recommended that raffle proceeds be used to alleviate the potential deficit due to a decrease in funding. If there is no deficit then the council can decide at a later time which council member (agency) will benefit from the raffle proceeds.

**g) DV Ombudsman**

**Chief Rodriguez**

Chief E .Rodriguez reported that P. Patterson presented to the Monterey County Law Enforcement Chiefs Association. The information she presented was well received and will be taken back to the law enforcement agencies and officers.

**h) Finance**

**N. Hatton**

N. Hatton reported the grant awarded by California Endowment for \$1,500.

**7. New Business:**

- a) Conference raffle proceeds: see discussion in item 6F.
- b) Nashville TN Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence: N. Hatton reported for P. Patterson and explained that the coalition came across the DVCC's website and found it to be very informative and impressive. The person who contacted P. Patterson also requested information on how to post the PSA Children See Children Do onto their own website. The information was provided.

**8. Old Business:**

- a) **Media Campaign** – Mike Uppman – report on CSUMB film dept. – are they interested in assisting us with a DV PSA. Item tabled due to M. Uppman not present to report.
- b) **Update:** DV satisfaction survey: E. Rodriguez provided feedback and recommendations on the questionnaire. The council discussed the purpose of the survey. The survey may improve relations between law enforcement and DV survivors and foster better communication in the interview process. D. Jacroux explained that a new CSUMB intern may continue on what Brook Ashley began and may use the survey in some capacity.
- c) **Update:** First Impressions DVD approval from DOJ. Cost for conversion to web compatible file. Item tabled.

**9. Information Sharing/Discussion:**

- B. Glick asked if there is a mandate that the council meet monthly. Hatton explained that while the bylaws may not mandate monthly meetings a potential concern would be that the council would have limited opportunity to discuss important issues. E. Rodriguez commented that judging by the level of activity the council may want to meet at least every quarter. C. Mounter recommended that we look at which months out of the year have poor attendance. If the summer months are the lowest in attendance we may choose to meet 9 months out of the year and not meet in July and August. Bylaws do allow for flexibility. CAPC meets depending on business matters and if there are none, the meeting is canceled with at least a 24 hour notice.
- B. Glick reported that state funding cuts on DV shelters have reduced funding for the SOP shelter by. SOP was in the process of closure and has informed the County. The county may assist with TANA (stimulus) funds to keep the shelters open throughout September 2010.
- D. Jacroux reported that the YWCA, which is a 17 bed facility, is currently waiting for back payments from the state. The regional council of YWCA is preparing a suit on this matter.
- B. Glick mentioned that the current VISTA volunteer was a speechwriter for the Obama campaign and is participating with advocates to begin a campaign to communicate their opinions on the state's budget cuts.
- C. De Seguirant expressed her interest in assisting with the local impact of state budget cuts.
- D. Jacroux announced a fundraiser for YWCA: Harvest of Care at Chateau Julien on Wednesday October 7<sup>th</sup>. The Salinas office has served 1,764 individuals during their first full year of service.
- D. Smith volunteered to assist with the conference raffle. Please bring your raffle baskets to the next meeting.

**10. Correspondence:** none.

**11. Next Meeting:**

**12. Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 3:55pm.

*Respectfully submitted by Rosemary Soto*