

Meeting Minutes August 27, 2014
Domestic Violence Coordinating Council of Monterey County

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DSES, Ste. 302
1000 S. Main St.
Salinas, CA 93901

Members/Alternates present: S.Goldman, C.McCormick, J.Butz, J.Empasis, V. Elmore, M.Martinez, S. Lynch, G.Loya, E.Romero, L.DaSilva, J.Teeter, P.Patterson

Others: Reyes Bonilla, Melinda Ward, Michelle Gonzalez

Excused absences: G.Rodriguez, M.McMills, A.Mohamed, D.Jacroux

1. **Call to order and introductions:** The meeting was called to order by P.Patterson at 3:36 PM.
2. **Amendments to the agenda:** None
3. **Approval of Minutes of June 2014:** The minutes were unanimously approved. (J.Teeter, M.Martinez).
4. **Public Comments and Oral Communications.** None.
5. **Education and information:** Reyes Bonilla from Shelter Outreach Plus explained that they have been providing housing and sheltering services in Monterey County since 1978. They currently provide emergency shelter for women and children, emergency shelter for single men or women, street outreach, transitional housing for men, women and families and supportive services and case management. They have 123 beds available for domestic violence victims; 16 in Seaside, 32 in Salinas and 75 in Marina. He is also looking into opening 12 more beds in Monterey and possibly 6 more in Marina. Currently the programs are seeing many more people with mental health needs and thus he is trying to have more clinicians on site to deal with those concerns. More information can be found at: shelteroutreachplus.org
6. **Working Group Reports**
 - a. **Executive Committee:** Met to discuss upcoming conference and the plan future informational/educational topics.
 - b. **Membership Committee:** No report.
 - c. **Batterer Intervention:** No report.
 - d. **Victim Services:** No report.
 - e. **Medical Services:** No report.
 - f. **Conference:** J.Butz reported that the save the date and registration forms have been emailed out. The information was also posted on the DVCC website and sent to surrounding county agencies. The ACTION Council is accepting payments for us. The cost of the conference is \$30.00 per person and includes a reception. We currently have 31 registered. The YWCA will conduct the 50/50 raffle. It was decided to purchase 50 books to sell at the event. We will also invite specific community agencies to set up tables.
 - g. **Virtual Family Justice:** The committee has not met recently, and is currently on hold, in creation phase.
 - h. **Education:** No report

- i. **OVW Steering Committee:** C.McCormick reported for M.McMills. The first steering committee meeting was held on August 25, 2014 and will continue once a month. During the meeting an overview of the goals, schedule and the definition of domestic violence was discussed. J.Butz will forward the meeting minutes to the DVCC for review.
7. **Action items:** None.
8. **New Business:** None.
9. **Old Business:**
 - a. **Fill vacancies:** There are still vacancies for District 1, Education, Commission on the Status of Women and Latino Network.
 - b. **Videos on Website:** L.DaSilva is working with P.Patterson's office to imbed the videos on the website.
10. **Information Sharing/Discussion:**
 - J.Butz reported due to the Thanksgiving Holiday the November 2014 meeting will be moved from the 26 to **November 19, 2014.**
 - C.McCormick reminded everyone to register for first annual Fall Breakfast Benefit on October 10, 2014, from 8-10am at the Steinbeck Center. Audrey Mabrey, an inspirational educator and domestic violence survivor will be the featured speaker. The cost is \$25 and you can register at: <http://ywcamcttransforminglives.eventbrite.com>.
11. **Correspondence:** S.Goldman reported she attended at training at the Family Justice Center in San Diego and is hopeful Monterey County can have something similar.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:48 P.M.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 24, 2014, AT 3:30 PM IN SUITE 302

IDEAS FOR FUTURE EDUCATION/SHARING

- *TRANSGENDER*
- *CHILD ADVOCATE PROGRAM*
- *THE VILLAGE PROJECT*