# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COORDINATING COUNCIL OF MONTEREY COUNTY MEETING MINUTES

DATE: June 24, 2015

**TIME**: 3:30 P.M.

PLACE: DSES: The Quadrangle, 1000 S. Main St., Suite 302.

**2015 GOAL:** Partner agencies and representatives will improve interagency communication and support to increase and improve services to survivors and their significant others.

3:30-5:00 PM

## 1. Introduction

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- a. Call to order and introductions of members' positions on the council and role in their agencies. In attendance: L. DaSilva, A. Kaelin, V. Barnes, P. Diksa, A. Frese, K. McAllister, D. Acosta, A. Mohammed, P. Pena, and D. Gonzalez.
- b. Amendments to the 6/24/2015 DVCC Meeting Agenda.
  - i. No amendments.
- c. Approval of the 6/24/2015 DVCC Meeting Agenda.
  - i. V. Barnes moved to approve the meeting agenda; P. Diska seconded the motion; the motion passed.
- d. Amendments to the minutes for April 2015.
  - i. No amendments.
- e. Approval of the minutes for February 2015.
  - i. P. Diksa moved to approve the meeting agenda; V. Barnes seconded the motion; the motion passed.
- f. Public comments and oral communications.
  - i. The Bates-Eldredge Child Sexual Abuse Clinic was accredited by the state.

# 2. Education and information (20 minutes):

- a. Daniel Gonzales and Kevin McAllister from the YWCA of Monterey County:
  - i. Overview of the YWCA's expanded legal services to include divorce and child custody in addition to existing work and programs that assist in the restraining order process. Daniel and Kevin explained eligibility and costs associated with the legal advocacy program for clients. The YWCA is hoping to reduce those costs soon. YWCA staff wants to expanded legal advocacy to include assistance with U and T Visas.
  - ii. The YWCA is gaining momentum working on human trafficking.

# 3. Working Group Reports:

- a. Working group reports were postponed until the July meeting due to time constraints.
- 4. Action Items:
  - **a.** Between the June and July meeting, the committees are going to identify 2-3 activities to support their chosen objective and be ready to share those with the group or to just

discuss some ideas and their working process as a committee. The committees will continue this discussion at the committee meetings and the May meeting.

## 5. New Business:

- a. The DVCC will show A Path Appears at the World Theater followed by a panel and reception. The DVCC is partnering with CSUMB to put on this event.
- b. The DVCC needs to secure food donations and put together a panel of experts.

## 6. Old Business:

- a. P. Patterson has informational DVD's that DVCC members are able to check out from the DA's office if they wish. P. Patterson to publish a list of these DVDs on the DVCC's website.
- b. Cut it Out
  - i. No new presentations were scheduled at the time.
- c. Fill vacancies
  - i. District 1 and 2
  - ii. Education was filled by P. Pena.
  - iii. Latino Network
- d. Human Trafficking Update

### L. DaSilva

- i. The Coalition to End Human Trafficking in Monterey and Santa Cruz Counties is meeting consistently and determining identity and goals. The Coalition has three committees (Research, Training, and Outreach) that are doing the work of the Coalition outside the regular monthly meetings which are becoming quite large. The Research committee is conducting a community asset mapping; L. DaSilva will be in touch with DVCC members for a short interview about potential collaboration and/or services available to survivors of human trafficking from each agency represented within the DVCC.
- e. Community/tabling events
  - i. DVCC flyers are available to take to tabling events. Members were encouraged to take advantage of this informational material.
- 7. Information Sharing/Discussion
- 8. Correspondence
- 9. Adjourn

5:00 PM

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10. Next meeting: June 22, 2015

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