## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COORDINATING COUNCIL OF MONTEREY COUNTY MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** July 27, 2016 **TIME**: 3:30 P.M.

PLACE: DSES: Marina Public Library, 190 Seaside Cr., Marina, CA

**2016 GOAL:** Partner agencies and representatives will improve interagency communication and support to increase and improve services to survivors and their significant others.

1. Introduction 3:30 - 3:35 PM

a. 3:37 p.m. Call to order and introductions of members' positions on the council and role in their agencies. In attendance: S. Goldman, P. Diksa, S. Gold, V. Barnes, G. Rodriguez, P. Placencia, S. Tinagero, S. Storrs, D. McKeon, R. Salicido, W. Hoy, A. Frese, E. Jimenez, and L. DaSilva

- b. Amendments to the 7/27/2016 DVCC Meeting Agenda.
  - No amendments.
- c. Approval of the 6/24/2016 DVCC Meeting Minutes.
  - i. P. Diksa moved to approve the minutes; S. Gold seconded; unanimous approval
- d. Public comments and oral communications.

## 2. Education and information (20 minutes):

3:35 - 4:10 PM

- a. Cindy Storrs, Gathering for Women
  - i. The Gathering for Women is both a non-profit and an event that happens once a week. The Gathering for Women is an organization with one staff member, Executive Director Cindy Storrs, and many volunteers. The Gathering for Women provides a hot meal to women once per week. At this meal, women participants have an opportunity to get new clothing, personal items, and find out about resources that might benefit them. The Gathering for Women also has a food pantry where women participants can take food items with them when they are finished with their meal.
  - ii. Some additional resources the Gathering for Women provides vouchers for gas, showers, and laundry.
  - iii. The Gathering for Women attracts volunteers who are doctors, nurses, social workers, and people who want to help.
  - iv. Some new projects include: a capital campaign for their own space to fulfill their unique needs; case management; and coordinating different agencies to come in and speak and/or offer services to the women participants

3. Old Business: 4:10 - 4:30 PM

a. South County Liaison Committee:

Everything is in the works to have a legal advocate from the YWCA at the
Greenfield PD to do restraining orders and restraining order workshops.

Greenfield PD and the YWCA are collaborating to provide the Domestic Violence
Advocate Training in Greenfield. Greenfield PD is having two staff members
take the training.

4. New Business: 4:30 - 4:55 PM

## a. October Events 2016

- i. A discussion about the October event led W. Aray to suggest that the DVCC partner with the YWCA on the 5k they are doing with Fleet Feet. The event is at the end of October and intended to be a fun event to bring women together to support one another. There was a motion from S. Gold that the DVCC partner on this event by providing a resource fair to participants and sponsor runners for the event. The motion was seconded by S. Goldman, and passed unanimously. It was decided that the bulk of the next meeting be dedicated to planning that event.
- Some ideas for future events included financial literacy workshops, policy writing, policy tracking. Some members are interested in a policy subcommittee.
- b. **Brochure** DVCC DV Brochure updated and ready for distribution. A few more additions were made to the brochure.

5. Adjourn 5:00 PM

Next meeting: August 24, 2016
 Marina Public Library, 190 Seaside Cr., Marina.