

# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COORDINATING COUNCIL OF MONTEREY COUNTY

## Minutes

DATE: November 20, 2019

TIME: 3:30 - 5:00 P.M.

PLACE: Monterey County Department of Social Services, 1000 S. Main St., Room 110  
at 3:30 p.m.

**Present:** Karlette Anderson, Dr. Valerie Barnes, Willow Aray, Helen Childers, Lauren DaSilva, Christine Duncan, Mariela Arreola, Sheree Goldman, Lori Medina, Jillian Santillanez, Ashley Walden, Kelsey Hansen, Joseph Banuelos, Linda McGlone.

### 1. Opening

3:30-3:40

- a. Call to order and Introductions: Call to order at 3:33
- b. Approval of minutes for October 2019: Correction: typo, remove "on' to ensure information is there". Spell out RO. Motion to approve with minor corrections. All made motions and Sheree seconded. All in favor.
- c. Treasurer's Report: P.O. Box lapsed for a year have about \$300.00.
- d. Public comments and oral communications

### 2. Updates and Announcements

3:40-3:55

- Jason Ledford last day is tentatively in January.
- Monterey County Sherriff has a new chief: John Thornburg.

### 3. Education and Information

Presentation by: Karlette Anderson; Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC)  
Jillian Santillanez; Army Community Services

Neither of these two military organizations prosecute. They offer supportive services to families through the situation

Both options offer individual medical, counseling relocations etc.

- Family Advocacy Program: Helps with Domestic Violence, child abuse, reporting options, case management and access to resources and rehabilitation of offenders.
- Goals: Prevention, victims' safety, offender accountability, rehabilitative education and counseling, community accountability and responsibility.
- Eligibility of services: Client eligible for military benefits, any allegation indicating ongoing abuse, imminent harm.
- Current or former spouse, person with whom abuser shares a child, current or former intimate partner with whom an abuser shares a home.
- Reporting Options: Restricted and Unrestricted

- Reporting under Restricted or Unrestricted will affect if the case is prosecuted or not.
- Can start with Restricted, later if they feel the situation is getting worse, they can change to Unrestricted but cannot fluctuate between the two.

#### **Restricted: Victim only**

- Case will be investigated, evidence not forwarded to Article 32 hearing.
- Can report to FFSC Counselors and staff and request investigative services not be performed provided there is no outside agency involved.
- Can change report to unrestricted and choose which parts are disclosed to base security NCIS or command.

#### **Unrestricted: Results in Command notification**

- Results in command notification
- Command can hold alleged offender accountable.
- Can result in Law Enforcement response.
- Command can have greater role in alleged offender/victim safety.

Reporting pathway: Family Advocacy Program Referral->Assess for Eligibility->Safety Plan and Informed Consent->

Reporting Option: Notifications and Referrals->Incident Determination Committee->Clinical Case Staff Meeting->Case management/Monitoring->Case closure.

There is an Incident Determination Committee (IDC) that determines which allegations meet the criteria for entry into the Navy Central Registry that consist of 6 core voting members: Installation Officer, Installation Master Chief, Installation Staff Judge Advocate, Base Security Representative, Family Advocacy Representative and Command Representative. NCIS serves as a non-voting member of the IDC.

- Attendance at the IDC is limited to those with a “need to know”.

Clinical Case Staffing Meeting (CSSM): creates a plan for clinical intervention and treatment, provides ongoing coordinated case management, risk assessment and monitoring, recommends treatment.

- Case management: Report received->Assessment->Treatment->Monitor.

What to report: name for service member and family members, address and contact information for victims and alleged offender, age and location of children, details of incident.

FFSC Resources: Relocation assistance, new parent support, deployment services, clinical counseling, financial management, family employment services, family advocacy, transition assistance programs.

Army has a lodge that they can use to place people for a minimum of 2 nights if there is a need.

Have cool down rooms for service members can put them on Presidio of Monterey (POM).

- There are currently low prosecution rates for DV. Oftentimes there are jurisdiction issues. Discharge is rare.
- If incident happens off base, police handle as normal DV and eventually they will be AWOL. So military will be involved.
- One major issue they face is families feeling isolated and unaware of services.

#### **4. Policy/Advocacy**

##### **a. New or pending legislation**

4:15- 4:30

- SB 22 passed on Oct 8<sup>th</sup> 2019- mandates that after a kit has been collected LE has 20 days to send to DOJ and DOJ has 120-day to get results back to department.
- Under Military guidelines strangulation is now a felony. There is a correlation between homicide, pet abuse and killing police.

#### **5. New Business**

4:30- 4:50

##### **a. Revision of bylaws and quorum pending actions**

- Kelsey Hansen of Community Human Services is representing Batterers category.
- Military: Should be someone from military police, the appropriate person was not designated. Neither Karlette or Jillian can be a voting member of a board where money is involved but Military LE may be able to.
- Social Services: still waiting to see who the official representative is.
- Latino Network: Maria Pacheco at the Latino Network is contact
- Willow is resigning from role of secretary: Willow nominates Ashley Walden. All in favor of Ashley taking on the role.
- Sharon Gold may not come back from leave. May need to elect a Treasurer.

##### **b. Sample letter reminder and results**

- Supervisor Parker, Lopes and Phillips will receive letter.

##### **c. Access to services continued discussion**

- Linda to meet with Karlette and Jillian to map out Military access.
- Linda to add victim advocate phone number to the handout.
- Ask Pam for the best number to add for Victim Witness/Use YWCA and MCRCC crisis line and administration offices.
- Change "Police" to "Law Enforcement".
- One mandate of this Council is to see how the system is currently working. Group agrees that would be a reasonable goal.

#### **6. Old Business:**

4:50-5:00

##### **a. Advancing the Community Protocol with Mark Wynn**

- Could present to Monterey County Law Enforcement Agencies
- Could look at other protocols and see how they are different.
- DVCC could create it but LE voice will need to be at the table.
- Commander Cutak: President of MCLEA

- Pam to reach back out to Jeannine Pacioni to get DA support. Can explore subcommittee to advance this, then launch subcommittee to move this forward.
- Community Action Team launched model, speaks to success in collaboration.

c. 2020 DVCC Conference

- Vote on October 2020 event planning conference dates and ideas
  - Youth and Prevention: Trauma and brain development, sexting, early intervention, teen dating violence
  - Serving Offenders: ACES, 52 Weeks, Lessons for Law Enforcement
  - Changing Face of DV: Women as Perps, LGBTQ+, Serving Offender, homeless

Next meeting on Jan 22, 2020 we can get started on planning the conference.

d. 2020 DVCC Goals

January Presenter: Reyes Bonilla will present from Community Homeless Solutions.

**7. Adjourn**

5:00

**Next Meeting is scheduled for January 22, 2020 at Monterey County Department of Social Services, 1000 S. Main St., Suite 110 at 3:30 p.m.**

**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.