

COUNCIL MEETING
3RD QUARTER
FEBRUARY 21-22, 2013



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COVER PHOTO: Retired Superior Court Judge Victor Carlson ties a ribbon on a tree at the 2012 Victims for Justice annual Tree Ceremony.

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Survivors of violent crime were invited to tie ribbons on the tree in Anchorage. Each color representing a violent crime they, or a loved one, experienced. The Tree Ceremony is one of five public events held by the VFJ each year to benefit victims, and to raise awareness of violence in our community and the rights of victims of violent crime.

VFJ specializes in serving and advocating for innocent victims of all violent crimes, including assault, robbery, arson, kidnapping, elder abuse, child abuse, bullying, drunk driving, kidnapping, arson, and the surviving family members of homicide victims.

Helping victims to cope with trauma and grief, VFJ works to ensure their rights are observed within the judicial system. In collaboration with the women's shelter Abused Women's Aid in Crisis (AWAIC), the rape crisis center, Standing Together Against Rape (STAR), and Alaska CARES, VFJ assists victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and child abuse, including the surviving family members of homicide victims killed during a domestic violence, sexual or child abuse assault.

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OUR VISION:

Alaska, free from domestic and sexual violence

OUR MISSION:

The Council provides safety for Alaskans impacted or victimized by domestic violence and sexual assault through a system of statewide crisis intervention, perpetrator accountability and prevention services.

OUR PURPOSE:

There is established in the Department of Public Safety the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. The purpose of the council is to provide for planning and coordination of services to victims of domestic violence or sexual assault or to their families and to perpetrators of domestic violence and sexual assault, and to provide for crisis intervention and prevention programs.

-Alaska Statute 18.66.010

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AGENDA

2ND QUARTER - FY13
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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2013

9:00 a.m.	Call to Order Roll Call Conflict Inquiry Agenda Approval Minute Approval: 2nd Quarter Meeting, Kenai	Susan Cushing
9:30	Executive Director Report Council Committees-Executive Committee met; others did not convene between quarterly meetings	Lauree Morton
10:15	BREAK	
10:30	Network Report	Peggy Brown
11:00	Alaska Court System	Susanne DiPietro Stacy Marz
12:30 p.m.	LUNCH	
1:45	Victims for Justice	Susan Sullivan
2:45	BREAK	
3:00	Housing Vouchers for Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault	Catherine Stone AHFC
3:45	Showing of "The Invisible War"	
5:30	Recess	

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2013

9:00 a.m.	Executive Committee Report	Susan Cushing
9:15	Legislative Update-bills and Budget	Lauree Morton
10:00	CDVSA Sunset Review (auditor into, steps involved)	Loren Lowagie
10:30	BREAK	
10:45	Mystery time slot for-- (1) TANF - Family Violence Option or (2) 2013 Dashboard or (3) Prevention Discussion	
11:30	Public Comment	
Noon	LUNCH	
1:15 p.m.	FY14 Meeting Schedule	
1:30	Council Comments	
2:15	BREAK	
2:30	Prevention Update - ANDVSA Community Snapshots, Pathways Update Map of prevention strategies used across the state Parent Engagement Surveys and Focus Groups Alaska Men Choose Respect: TV spots, Compass Toolkit	Lori Grassgreen Claudia Plesa
4:00 p.m.	ADJOURN	

DRAFT MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

FROM 2ND QUARTER - FY13 MEETING
NOVEMBER 8-9, 2012
HELD IN KENAI, ALASKA



DRAFT MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

NOVEMBER 8-9, 2012

STATE OF ALASKA
Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
November 8-9, 2012 Meeting
Held at the LeeShore Center – 325 Spruce Street, Kenai, AK 99611

Call to order: By Chair Susan Cushing at 9:05 a.m., November 8, 2012.

Roll Call: By Angela Wells

Council Members Present: Chair, Susan Cushing (Public Member); Vice-Chair, Richard Irwin (Public Member); Commissioner, Joseph Masters, (Department of Public Safety); Melissa Stone (Department of Health and Social Services); Patricia Owen (Department of Early Education and Development); Rachel Gernat (Public Member).

Council Members On-line: Carmen Gutierrez (Department of Corrections); Rick Svobodny (Department of Law).

Council Members Absent: None

Chair Cushing introduced the Council's newest public board member, Rachel Gernat. Ms. Gernat gave a brief description of her past work experience as a deputy district attorney for the State of Alaska prosecuting sexual assault cases in the Palmer area. Ms. Gernat is now in private practice.

CDVSA Staff Present: Lauree Morton, Dianne Lanuza, and Angie Wells.

Others Present: Peggy Brown (Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault – the Network); Katie Tepas (Office of the Governor); Barbara Waters (LeeShore Center).

Present On-Line: Linda Hoven, Freda Westman, Bahiyyih Parish and Annie Whittey (CDVSA).

Conflict Inquiry: None

Approval of Agenda: Statutory Responsibilities Review was switched from the 7th to the morning of the 8th. Mr. Irwin alerted members that he will leave early on Friday. Mr. Irwin moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Svobodny. All in favor

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Master moved to approve the 1st quarter meeting minutes, seconded by Ms. Stone. All in favor

LeeShore Center:

Barbara Waters, education and training coordinator, updated the Council on The LeeShore Center with a slide show presentation detailing the history and growth of the Center. Ms. Morton pointed out that Kenai was the first program in the state to have transitional housing and also accommodate space for pets. The LeeShore Center has great working relationships with other organizations and resources in this region. Ms. Waters also listed the programs available at The LeeShore Center and went into detail on their Batterer's Intervention Program. Ms. Waters then answered questions from the Council.

BREAK

Executive Director Report:

Ms. Morton led the Council through the new look of our meeting packet. Ms. Morton also shared the recently developed "Stand Up Speak Up" cards being used in prevention and public education.

Ms. Morton announced the upcoming Anchorage Prevention Summit and its objective to strengthen and continue to grow prevention efforts across the state. "Green Dot" trainers, Jen Sayre and Dorothy Edwards will be attending the Prevention Summit. Following the Summit, they will go to Homer to provide needed technical assistance.

Ms. Morton conveyed to the Council the good publicity that our commercials have had, and the upcoming commercials on bystander intervention.

The next "Coaching Boys Into Men" training is scheduled for January 9th. This training will include a coach from California as a trainer. Having actual coaches share their experiences and show how they implement the program was a request taken from the August's training evaluation survey. "Fourth R" pretesting is going on around the state.

"Girls On The Run" is looking to expand in Anchorage; there are currently three schools out of 50 that are participating. The SouthCentral "Girls on the Run" Council is now coordinating with the SouthEast "Girls on the Run" Council, to find ways that we can continue to bring "Girls on the Run" into more areas of the state.

Due to the timing of the Council meeting, there are no program reports. Information including the first glance at outcome measures will be available for the February meeting.

The Network held an orientation for three new program executive directors; Jessica Lawmaster (SPHH), Vicki D'Amico (SAFV) and Amanda Price (STAR). A visit to the Council office to meet program coordinators and review expectations was included in their agenda.

The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between departments that serve on the Council is complete and needs a couple more signatures. Once signed, the original will be held in our office and each commissioner will receive a copy.

We have had our office fully staffed and it has been very nice. We have been successful this year in moving Angela Wells' position up to an Office Assistant II. Currently we are working on moving Bahiyih Parish's Research Analyst I to a Research Analyst II.

Ms Parish has been working on the 2013 Dashboard. She is also developing the next victim service database (version 5.0)—we are very excited by the possibility of having a working database. In cooperation with the UAA Justice Center a database for Batterers Intervention Program (BIP) is being developed that will be housed in the department and will allow the programs to directly enter data into it.

Alaska Victimization Surveys (AVS) were released in Kodiak, Sitka and Bethel. All were covered in the local news. Mat-Su, Kenai Peninsula and Ketchikan are the 2013 survey sites. That leaves Northwest--Barrow, Kotzebue and Nome, and the Aleutian chain to be surveyed in 2014. In 2015 we will repeat the statewide survey. Ms. Morton, Commissioner Master, Ms. TePas and Dr. Rosay will be presenting information about the AVS and coordinating researcher/practitioner work at December's National Indian Nations Conference.

Ms. Morton pointed out that we are on pace on our spending. She then led the Council through the grant information and updates. Mr. Irwin, Ms. Gernat and Ms. Morton met and reviewed the Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP) applications and have recommendations for funding that will be presented to the Council tomorrow.

Ms. Morton was asked to serve on the Office of Victims of Crime Federal Alaska Native Sexual Assault Issues Workgroup. There have been two meetings so far. The overall goal is to come up with a draft plan to present to the American Indian/Alaska Native Sexual Assault Issues Working Group. The Council was contacted by the Division of Public Assistance, who is working on their state plan for TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families). A section in that plan is how they are going to ensure that the Family Violence Option is implemented. They want to make sure that workers are trained and have new and current information available.

Ms. Morton then answered questions from the Council.

Ms. Owen commented on the importance of knowing the federal tribal funding streams in Alaska for

better collaboration of efforts and resource sharing. Ms. Morton also mentioned that the Council was trying to find out who the STOP administrators are for the tribal entities in Alaska and introduce all of them to, not only us, but each other.

LUNCH

Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (ANDVSA – The Network) Report:

Chair Cushing introduced Ms. Brown, executive director of the Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (ANDVSA – also referred to as “The Network”), who then updated the Council on Network activities:

The Network programs met in Anchorage. The possible effects of Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) sequestration has everyone a little nervous.

AWARE has met their \$122K campaign match for transitional housing.

The Network is currently working on streamlining the CDVSA public member nomination process. At this time it is very cumbersome.

The Network will be bringing Jackie Hill to Juneau for orientation and to meet both Network and CDVSA staff.

Training is a huge issue within the state. Cost and turnover rates are high. The Network is looking at possible online training through the University of Alaska that can be accessed as needed to train advocates and personnel quickly. This is not to be confused with certification. Also trying to create a forum where advocates can talk to each other. This will allow seasoned directors to interact and give advice to new directors.

Another discussion was the fact that seasoned directors are leaving service. The Network is looking for a pot of funds that could be used for a “floating director”. Contracting a person to send to programs for specific assistance like grant writing and training. It is very important that this person have experience running a program.

At this time the Network is preparing for Lead On and the Prevention Summit, and upcoming intensive training on working with sexual assault victims and sexual assault investigations.

The Network teamed up with Aiding Women in Abuse and Rape Emergencies (AWARE) and sponsored a viewing of the “Invisible War.” It is a very moving depiction of sexual assault in the military. Emily Wright, the director of the Legal Advocacy Project, is in Washington, DC being trained by the Office of Victims of Crime, to be the expert trainer for Alaska on sexual assaults in the military. The most difficult funding issue has been the reframing of the Domestic Violence Prevention Enhancement and Leadership Through Alliances (DELTA) grant. Since 2002, this grant has funded

prevention coordinators and activities in four communities. The new grant, called Delta Focus, is a five year grant that only allows applicants to provide assistance to two communities. The Network will apply and request funding for Sitkans Against Family Violence (SAFV) in Sitka and AWARE in Juneau.

At this time the Network has 160 applicants for the Lead On conference; only 90 will be accepted. This is a conference that covers leadership, equality, peace, and anti-violence; focusing on rural youth leaders. This is an opportunity for media events and filming that cover a variety of current topics and how youth view them.

The Network is performing a needs assessment with our programs through a survey and should have the results by the next meeting.

The Network is working with the Native Tribal Health Consortium on training behavioral health aides. The Empowering Choice Housing Program launched November 1st. The Network is creating a brochure, implement trainings, and collecting as much data as possible to see how this is working and where adjustments might need to be made, along with advocating for future funding to continue the program.

The revised “Alaska Men Choose Respect” website is up and running.

The Network is beginning to do some work on parent engagement. That will be the focus of our next public awareness campaign.

Ginger Baim, Executive Director of Safe & Fear-Free Environment (SAFE), and Keeley Olson, Program Director of Standing Together Against Rape (STAR), testified at the Sex Trafficking Task Force. Family Violence Prevention & Services Act (FVPSA) is convening a state coalition work group to examine the Outcome Measures project; possibly adding four to five new measures. Ms. Brown is a member of this group.

Ms. Brown then answered questions from the Council.

Commissioner Masters suggested that there may be an opportunity for cross-over trainings when possible, referring to trainings that the Department of Public Safety uses for Village Public Safety Officer’s (VPSO) and also advocate trainings. He asked that Ms. Morton become involved to advise on the possibility of future training efforts and that Steve Arlow, VPSO Program Commander, be contacted as well. Ms. Morton also stated that Randi Breager, from the Alaska State Troopers, is currently doing a survey of all law enforcement to assist training needs.

Ms. Owen then updated the Council on the “Fourth R” and all of the training going on throughout the state. Ms. Owen then answered questions from the Council.

Chair Cushing asked about the possibility of the Council getting the documentary “The Invisible War” to view at one of our meetings.

Council Comments:

Ms. Gutierrez introduced and described to the Council, a program instituted in the women’s facility called “Success, Inside and Out.” This program is gaining momentum with regards to community support. Looking at having the appropriate person from the Council/Network/victim service program to come in and have a table. There will be a meeting in December with the planning team to assess what is working and what is not working.

Ms. Gutierrez informed the Council of a funding opportunity with Americorp. This Request for Proposal (RFP) has been forwarded to Ms. Morton.

Update on Department of Corrections rehabilitative efforts and substance abuse programs and the PACE program, also the addition of Linda Chamberlain’s Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) curriculum to the parenting program.

Lastly, Ms. Gutierrez regretted to inform everyone that she would be leaving state service, effective November 30, 2012, due to personal reasons. Deputy Director Ronald Taylor will be the new Council representative from the Department of Corrections.

Mr. Irwin addressed the Council with a question; should we spend more energy and effort at the front of the issues, not to negate what we are doing, but to strategically invest more into teaching parents how to be good parents, and to help provide skills to these parents. Mr. Irwin hosted the idea of frontloading, and putting prevention first.

The Council then discussed Mr. Irwin’s comments.

Commissioner Masters stated that there is more discussion about primary and secondary prevention efforts now. People are seeing the necessity for prevention; attitudes are changing.

Commissioner Masters mentioned again the Distance Delivery Method training and the Sex Trafficking Task Force meeting that took place. Commissioner Masters was able to be on a panel during the Childhood Maltreatment Conference and discuss ACE’s, stating that ACE’s is not an excuse for accountability.

Commissioner Masters stated that the Governor’s budget will be released by December 15th.

Ms. Owen reported more on the “Fourth R” and the School Health and Wellness Institute that covers many different health and safety topics; there was a “Coaching Boys Into Men” session and Dr. Chamberlain with ACE’s and trauma informed services. Ms. Owen has also been involved in the

planning of the Prevention Summit.

Ms. Owen gave the Council a handout and shared information on The Healthy Alaskans 2020 Initiative, in which Ms. Own and Ms. Stone hold seats on the statewide advisory committee. This is the development of a statewide health plan, similar to the National Initiative Healthy People 2020. Ms. Stone commented that this was a huge endeavor, and they are trying to refine the process in order for it to be more manageable.

Ms. Stone thanked Ms. Gutierrez for her service.

Ms. Stone also commented about Mr. Irwin's earlier comments about frontloading prevention, saying that we should set aside more time to further discuss the issue.

The Division of Behavioral Health had a Prevention Conference in September. It brought a broad cross-section of people to the table.

Ms. Stone also mentioned that she had a meeting with Ms. Morton about the increment available in the Division of Behavioral Health for trauma services. We can build upon the funds that we have through the Governor's Initiative to provide trauma informed training to our service system and then bring trauma informed services to the people who need them, via the people who have actually been trained.

The Division of Behavioral Health has historically concentrated on the priority populations of seriously mentally ill people and seriously emotionally disturbed youth.

Public Comment:

Freda Westman (CDVSA staff) read a letter that she had received from a concerned citizen.

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Council Comments continued:

Ms. Gernat, the newest public member, stated that she was excited to be on the Council.

Chair Cushing informed the Council of recent events happening in Homer, commending the Troopers and the local victim service agency, South Peninsula Haven House (SPHH), for their partnership efforts in dealing with recent events that have shaken the Homer community. "Fourth R" is being implemented in the school system and "Green Dot" will be coming to present and provide assistance. Ms. Cushing also reported on the Child Maltreatment Conference that she attended.

14 Statutory Responsibilities Review: Ms. Cushing asked the Council to look at page 26 in the meeting packet.

Ms. Morton stated there was a legislative task force recommendation for the Council to review the duties to see if they still made sense, if there should be any additions or adjustments.

Ms. Morton feels that the current staff and Council are doing well to meet the letter of the obligations of the statutes, but if we want to meet the spirit of all 14, it will take more resources.

Commissioner Masters asked Ms. Morton to point out areas that the Council may need to focus on. Ms. Morton gave the history behind the following statutes and stated that there has been very little done on 12, 13 and 14. Both 12 and 13 have complementary statutes for other departments. Ms. Morton stated that these statutes were added when the Domestic Violence Act was passed.

Ms. Gutierrez brought up the Department of Correction regulations pertaining to Batterer's Intervention Programs (BIP), asking if delivery of services includes an extension to the BIP's.

Ms. Morton stated that the more applicable duty that is inclusive of BIP's is #3 and #4; looking at those, along with the fact that the Council provides funding for BIP's, Ms. Morton asked if Statute 11 would allow the Council to adopt regulations for BIP's, Mr. Svobodny confirmed this saying yes. Mr. Svobodny and Ms. Gernat agreed that if the door was being opened to make changes to statute and regulation, then it should be worded specifically as to avoid argument in the future.

General discussion about the 14 statutes ensued.

Ms. Gernat asked about the collaboration with the Alaska Supreme Court and the Court System, wanting to know specifically if judges were trained, and if so, what kind of training it was.

Ms. Morton stated training of judges was coordinated through the Court System Administration. Susanne DiPietro is the person who develops training. There is an annual judges and magistrate training and part of the Court System's STOP (Services*Training*Officers*Prosecutors) funds are spent sending judges to national training conferences. The Council also funded training for clerks of court over the last couple of years.

Ms. Brown stated the Network had also been in contact with Ms. DiPietro and offered to help with training.

After Mr. Svobodny's suggestion to draft a letter to the Court System inquiring about training. Ms. Morton agreed to draft a letter and suggested inviting Court System representatives to the Council's next meeting. Council members agreed.

Ms. Stone asked if the 14 statutory responsibilities were in the strategic plan, Ms. Morton stated

#3,4,5,6,7,8,9 are functionally in the strategic plan. Numbers 1 and 2 are referred to and the plan can accommodate # 12, 13 and 14.

Chair Cushing summarized the statutory responsibilities discussion and stated an intention to keep an active review of them at future Council meetings.

Batterers Intervention Programs (BIP):

Ms. Morton explained to the Council that the Department of Corrections has the statutory authority to approve and regulate the programs. Both the Department of Corrections and the BIP Roundtable participants felt that the statutory authority should be moved from the Department of Corrections to the Council. The Council debated the issue in Ketchikan, where it was tabled for further discussion. Ms. Gutierrez submitted a memo from the Department of Corrections regarding the statutory move (packet page 30), and Council staff submitted a list of duties (packet page 34) that are currently being performed by the Council staff, for the BIP discussion scheduled for tomorrow.

RECESS at 4:05 p.m.

Tour of LeeShore Shelter:

Council members toured the LeeShore facilities.

Call to Order: 9:10 a.m., November 9, 2013.

Council Staff Member:

Chair Cushing asked Ms. Morton to introduce the newest member of the Council staff, Freda Westman.

Ms. Westman gave a descriptive, in-depth, chronological summary of her broad work history and current duties as a Program Coordinator I at CDVSA. Ms. Westman also highlighted her extensive volunteer work and background in domestic violence and sexual assault.

Council Comments Continued:

Mr. Svobodny stated that for the last month prosecutors had been involved in several trainings and conferences, including; elder care, child advocacy, child maltreatment and domestic violence.

Mr. Svobodny also stated that the Governor has appointed two new district court judges in Anchorage, both of which have long backgrounds dealing with domestic violence and sexual assault.

SASP Grantee Approval:

Ms. Gernat gave a general introduction of the Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP) and submitted the Proposal Evaluation Committee's (PEC) funding recommendations for consideration. \$144,435 was available for distribution.

The purpose of SASP is to provide direct crisis intervention and advocacy services to victims of sexual assault, with a focus on language access and/or culturally appropriate services. SASP funds cannot be used for prevention activities.

The PEC consisted of Ms. Morton, Mr. Irwin and herself. The committee met to go through the proposals. Ms. Gernat explained the process used to evaluate and score the proposals. The PEC recommended funding:

Kenaitze Indian Tribe	\$33,973
Aiding Women in Abuse and Rape Emergencies	\$29,707
Interior Alaska Center for Non-Violent Living	\$43,096
Tundra Women's Coalition	\$37,659

After discussion, Ms. Stone moved and Mr. Irwin seconded approval of the PEC funding recommendations. All in favor

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Mobilizing for Action through Planning & Partnerships:

Chair Cushing introduced Meagan Murphy from Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnership (MAPP).

Ms. Murphy presented a PowerPoint and explained that MAPP is a national public health framework that was developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and supported the State of Alaska. This is basically a strategic planning process for strategically addressing and improving community health. It is based on collecting data and developing community partnerships. MAPP is based on four assessments: community themes and strengths, public health system assessment, community health status assessment and forces of change assessment.

Ms. Murphy then discussed the timeline of implementing MAPP in Homer in 2008 and the purchase of strategy management software. This software is able to engage everyone by making the strategic plan interactive, and allowing the user access to acquiring specific data.

Homer Prevention Project (HPP):

Esther Hammerschlag gave a PowerPoint presentation along with handouts about the Homer Prevention Project (HPP) that was born out of MAPP. HPP is a coalition based project with collaborative efforts focused on reducing the cycle of adult heavy and binge drinking and reduce underage drinking in the Homer and Anchor Point area. Funding for this project comes from the Strategic Prevention Framework State Incentive Grant (SPF SIG).

Adverse Childhood Experiences: How What We Know Can Change Our Future:

Dr. Linda Chamberlain engrossed the Council with a visual demonstration of trauma in children and presented a PowerPoint on adverse childhood experiences (ACE's). The PowerPoint gave a descriptive history on how ACE's came about, and all the data collected in that time. Dr. Chamberlain stated that there is something very strategic about ACE's as well; Alaska is in an extraordinary position to become a leader among states, in terms of how we are coming together to work on this issue.

Dr. Chamberlain explained that one of the dilemmas was past perception of victims of adverse trauma being damaged goods. We now know that, because ACE's have been part of our past, doesn't mean they have to be part of our future. Science has been emerging for the last 20 years on ACE's, and trauma does relate to risk behaviors and health.

Dr. Chamberlain suited up to show the Council how the brain reacts to toxic stress and how it affects the other internal organs in a child. Resiliency along with the support of a caring adult to help a child learn how to work through that stress, can lead to a positive outcome.

Dr. Chamberlain then answered questions from the Council.

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Tribal Victim Assistance in Alaska Project:

Chair Cushing introduced Lisa DeCora.

Ms. De Cora is a detailee with the Federal Government's Department of Justice. Ms. DeCora gave a descriptive summary of her current position, which is to basically provide support and be an on-the-ground liaison to agencies such as: the Office of Violence Against Women, Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), the Office of Tribal Justice, Office of Victims of Crime and the U.S. Attorney's Office. This position is basically a way to relay information back to the Department of Justice on how to better services in this unique state, and to let the Department of Justice know what is working and what is not due to the specific hurdles faced here. Ms. De Cora explained that she will be training in

technical advice assistance, dealing with grant writing. This position is not permanently funded at this time and may not be here if sequestration occurs.

Ms. De Cora then answered questions from the Council.

SAFT:

Chair Cushing then introduced Tammy Sandoval.

Ms. Sandoval is the director of the Child Welfare Academy, which is the training arm for the Office of Children's Services (OCS). Safe Alaskan Families Toolbox Team (SAFT) was formed due to the interest between domestic violence advocates OCS workers and Tribal behavioral health aides in providing better service for families in which child abuse and adult domestic violence is present.

It started with each agency making a list of the top 10 things they wanted to know about the other agency. A grant opportunity was found by Ann Rausch, program coordinator at the Council, who then spearheaded the grant writing. With the first year being a planning year, four pilot sites were chosen; Kodiak, Dillingham, Juneau and Fairbanks. Ms. Sandoval stated that getting everyone to the table was not an easy process. Each agency has policies, rules and past practices that they have to follow, that did not make sense to the other agency, even though each agency's outcome was about victim safety.

In the second year, a curriculum was developed for joint-training in the pilot areas for all domestic violence advocates, OCS workers and tribal entities. Discussion about how to collaborate was facilitated at meetings. The three goals of SAFT are: getting the victim safe, getting the victim support and holding the perpetrator accountable. Some of our pilot programs, after going through the initial training, have taken SAFT one step further and involve other vital entities to the table, such as law enforcement, attorney and other agencies that are a part of that system. They are continuing conversation by having regular meetings and working beyond past practice and past experience. The grant is in its third year.

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BIPs:

Chair Cushing asked Ms. Gutierrez to lead the Batterers Intervention Program (BIP) discussion. (Ron Taylor is on the line)

Ms. Gutierrez explained that the issue of whether there should be regulatory and statutory changes as proposed by the BIP Roundtable recommendations at the 1st quarter Council meeting. At that time there may have been confusion on the role of Department of Correction pertaining to BIP's. AI-

though the Department of Corrections does have BIP's within its facilities, the Department of Corrections has no authority or control over the content of those programs, or how those programs are run. Ms. Gutierrez then referenced a letter that she drafted to the Council about this subject (page 32 in the meeting packet). Further researching this issue, Ms. Gutierrez stated that the Department of Corrections has never exercised control or oversight over these programs. It is the Department of Correction's position that the statute provides that Department of Correction's be responsible for oversight and implementation of standards for the BIP's

Ms. Morton then clarified duties that CDVSA staff was responsible for regarding BIP's, referring to page 34 in the Council packet. This also shows funding sources and how that money is used. Ms. Morton also pointed out the recommendation from the BIP Roundtable Discussions on page 36.

Ms. Morton then stated that CDVSA staff concurs with the Roundtable's position on the responsibility for approving and regulating the BIP's should be moved from the Department of Corrections to CDVSA since staff is already doing that work. Staff agrees that the regulations do need to be revised in the manner in which the regulations be fewer in number and broad in scope, and that the detail work be put in a best practices standards policy document. This document would be easier to revise and would offer greater flexibility. The fifth recommendation should also be reviewed; changing from an individual program application to coordinated community application.

Ms. Gutierrez stated that in her research there has been no delegation of duties as are currently occurring, nor aware of any memorandum of understanding that exists between the Council and Department of Corrections.

Ms. Stone then asked for the record, why does it make sense to move it out of Department of Corrections?

Ms. Gutierrez responded by asking, why is the Department of Corrections appropriate? BIP's mostly occur in communities and their participants are mainly misdemeanants, which the Department of Corrections has no authority over, nor supervises. The Department of Corrections has authority over offenders within institutions.

Ms. Morton stated that providers who attended the BIP Roundtable Discussions also feel that it is important because of the expertise involved, the availability of Council staff to provide technical assistance and oversight and the limited amount of interaction programs have with Department of Corrections. BIP's also get referrals from the Office of Children's Services, self-referrals, from tribes and also probation, but it is not only through the court that a person comes into the program.

Ms. Gernat gave examples of situations that confirmed the fact that referrals come from different agencies that are totally unrelated to the criminal system.

Ms. Owen questioned the current funding for the programs, asking if it would remain the same. Ms. Morton replied it would be the intention that the \$68K currently funding administration for the programs would then move to the Council.

Chair Cushing asked if the Council agrees to move statutory authority to approve and regulate BIP's from Department of Corrections to CDVSA?

Ms. Gutierrez moved to adopt the recommendation of the BIP Roundtable Discussion to provide that the current statutory and regulatory oversight authority be moved to the Council. Ms. Stone seconded the motion, but pointed out that there were other recommendations from the Roundtable. Ms. Stone asked for clarification. Ms. Morton confirmed that it was BIP Roundtable Discussion recommendation #1 that was being voted on. All in favor

Ms. Gutierrez then inquired about how to move forward with the other recommendations from the Roundtable (packet page 37). Chair Cushing asked for separate motions on each recommendation. Ms. Gutierrez moved to adopt BIP Roundtable Discussion #2: Revise regulations to be broad in scope and develop best practices standards policy document with details. Ms. Owen seconded the motion. All in favor

Ms. Morton reminded the Council of the implementation plan on how this would move forward and suggested proceeding along those lines; some of the timeline might have to be adjusted. All in favor

Ms. Gernat moved to adopt BIP Roundtable Discussion recommendation #5: Change from individual program applications to coordinated community application-all system players would apply as cohesive group for approval. Ms. Gutierrez seconded the motion. All in favor

Ms. Morton stated that Council staff recommended tabling #3 and #4 until more dialogue and research could be done. Recommendations #3 and 4 were tabled.

[ADJOURNED at 3:40 p.m.](#)

FINANCIAL REPORT

AS OF JANUARY 31, 2013



CURRENT FEDERAL GRANTS

Report Period Ending: January 31, 2013

PROGRAM	START	END	AMOUNT	EXPENDED	BALANCE
FFY10 RDVCV	10/01/10	12/31/12	900,000.00	900,000.00	-
FFY08 SVSEP	10/01/08	03/31/13	399,757.00	396,463.56	3,293.44
FFY09 STOP VAWA	06/01/09	05/31/13	771,824.00	726,385.11	45,438.89
FFY10 STOP VAWA	08/01/10	06/30/13	795,903.00	564,460.20	231,442.80
FFY11 STOP VAWA	07/01/11	06/30/13	799,382.00	228,660.13	570,721.87
FFY11 SASP	08/01/11	07/31/13	152,035.00	49,950.79	102,084.21
FFY10 VOCA	10/01/09	09/30/13	1,363,692.00	1,363,692.00	-
FFY12 FVPSA	10/01/11	09/30/13	734,015.00	277,840.62	456,174.38
FFY12 STOP VAWA	07/01/12	06/30/14	796,817.00	36.10	796,780.90
FFY12 SASP	08/01/12	07/31/14	231,060.00	-	231,060.00
FFY12 GTEA	03/01/10	08/31/14	633,401.00	88,398.02	545,002.98
FFY11 VOCA	10/01/10	09/30/14	1,410,228.00	1,369,274.03	40,953.97
FFY12 VOCA	10/01/11	09/30/15	1,307,108.00	269,877.00	1,037,231.00
FFY12 SVSEP	10/01/12	09/30/15	359,721.00	24,690.00	335,031.00
Totals:			10,654,943.00	6,259,727.56	4,395,215.44

- VAWA = Violence Against Women Act
- STOP = Services-Training-Officers-Prosecution
- VOCA = Victims of Crime Act
- SASP = Sexual Assault Services Program
- FVPSA = Family Violence Prevention and Services Act
- RDVCV = Rural Domestic Violence and Child Victimization
- GTEA = Grants to Encourage Arrest
- SVSEP = Safe Visitation and Safe Exchange Program

FUNDING SOURCE STATUS

Report Period Ending: January 31, 2013

Component Expenditures	Total Authorization	Total Expenditures	Balance
Personal Services	761,200.00	422,426.54	338,773.46
Travel	223,700.00	144,399.57	79,300.43
Services	2,123,500.00	605,821.56	1,517,678.44
Commodities	56,000.00	26,933.29	29,066.71
Capital Outlays	25,500.00	0.00	25,500.00
Grants and Benefits	13,277,500.00	9,238,056.00	4,039,444.00
Totals:	16,467,400.00		

Funding Sources

General Fund	11,024,600.00
Inter-Agency Receipts	1,737,700.00
Federal Grants	3,705,100.00
Totals:	16,467,400.00

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

FY14 BUDGET INCREMENTS

HB73, SB22 GOVERNOR'S OMNIBUS CRIME BILL



FY 14 BUDGET INCREMENTS

\$287.5

PROVIDE ADDITIONAL GRANT FUNDS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING SERVICES TO ADULTS AND CHILDREN:

While grantees have received small increases over the last three years, funding has not kept pace with need. During the FY2013-14 grant process, programs requested \$14,022,698 to maintain services and only \$11,431,370 was available for distribution. A 5% increase would narrow this gap and increase options for programs working to stabilize service availability. The increment would cover basic costs such as utilities, telephone coverage, insurance and food for shelter residents. Rural programs will also use the increase to cover emergency transportation—getting adult victims and their children out of villages to safe shelter in a regional hub.

Over 6,500 adults and 2,500 children accessed shelter services during FY2012. Programs provided slightly over 100,000 nights of safe shelter, responding to over 14, 200 crisis calls. 7,127 adults received legal advocacy services and advocates assisted approximately 1,000 survivors of sexual assault during the forensic exam process.

\$250.0

GRANTS FOR EMERGING PROGRAMS:

At least 4 grassroots groups, working diligently to build community support and infrastructure, are now ready to seek support from state and federal funding sources as non-profit organizations. The groups are trying to provide non-residential services—hotlines, safety planning, medical accompaniments and legal advocacy to victims in remote areas. Seed grants from the state will assist in leveraging federal dollars; stabilizing operations so they can focus on assisting victims in their home villages.

\$300.0

COMMUNITY PREVENTION COORDINATION:

Funding for community prevention coordinators in FY14 will allow more communities to focus prevention efforts and develop comprehensive approaches to changing social norms. These are not positions within state departments rather, new positions in community based non-profit agencies. The primary prevention of domestic violence and sexual assault is an emerging field. Only in the last three years, has CDVSA received designated state funds allocated to prevention. FY 10 was the first year the legislature allocated funds for primary prevention in CDVSA's base (\$157,000). In FY 11, CDVSA received \$300,000 for public education and marketing through the Governor's Initiative (OTI). In FY 12, CDVSA received \$450,000 for public education and marketing through the Governor's Ini-

tiative (OTI). These funds support projects—the media campaign, 4th R, Green Dot. The greater majority of CDVSA funded programs do not have funded primary prevention coordinators to exclusively address primary prevention in their communities. Communities need the skills and staffing to take public awareness messaging and outreach efforts and transform them into strategic prevention plans that will ultimately achieve social change

\$50.0

COACHING BOYS INTO MEN:

Coaching Boys Into Men (CBIM) is a dating violence prevention curriculum. A growing component of the Choose Respect initiative, the curriculum melds coaches' status as role models with athletes' influence among their peers into a collective effort to end this violence. FY14 funding will provide regional training for coaches, CBIM toolkits, materials, and curriculum development at a university level.

HB73, SB22

THE GOVERNOR'S OMNIBUS CRIME BILL

JANUARY 2013

THREE-JUDGE PANELS

Sections of the bill are designed to specifically overturn an appellate decision in *Collins v. State*. If you're interested in reading the decision, you can look at it here:

<http://www.leagle.com/xmlResult.aspx?page=1&xmlDoc=In%20AKCO%2020121102020.xml&docbase=CSLWAR3-2007-CURR&SizeDisp=7>

The decision has had the effect of lessening the standards used by judges to decide when to send sentencing decisions in sexual felony cases to a three-judge panel for review. (A three-judge panel has the ability to recommend a sentence that is less than a required presumptive sentence in certain situations.) The decision was based heavily on a review of legislative intent language/findings from 2006 through which reasons were enumerated for increasing the presumptive sentences for those convicted of felony sexual assault.

The language in HB 73/SB 22 makes it clear that the legislature did not then and does not now intend to create new or additional means for a defendant convicted of a sexual felony to obtain referral to a three-judge panel.

SEXUAL ASSAULT IN THE 3RD DEGREE

Sections of the bill amend the crime of sexual assault in the third degree to prohibit a probation or parole officer from engaging in sexual penetration with a person on probation or parole. The terms probation and parole officer are defined. The penalty for this crime is a class C felony.

SEXUAL ASSAULT IN THE 4TH DEGREE

Sections of the bill amend the crime of sexual assault in the fourth degree to prohibit a probation or parole officer from engaging in sexual contact with a person on probation or parole; and, prohibits a juvenile probation officer or juvenile facility staff from engaging in sexual contact with an 18 or 19 year old on probation or in a juvenile facility. The penalty for this crime is a class A misdemeanor.

PERPETRATOR CONTACTING A VICTIM

The bill prohibits someone who has been ordered by the court not to contact a victim or witness, but who has not been released from jail, from contacting the victim or witness to the alleged crime.

SEX AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING

The bill has several sections addressing different strategies to hold perpetrators of these crimes accountable for their actions including:

Usually, a person has a set amount of time to enter a civil suit against another person. The bill adds felony sex trafficking and felony human trafficking to those crimes for which a statute of limitations does not apply.

1. Allowing the state to forfeit property of a patron of a prostitute if the property was used to institute, aid, or facilitate prostitution, or was received or derived from prostitution.
2. Allowing the state to prosecute a person for distribution of child pornography, felony sex or felony human trafficking at any time without taking into account the time that may have elapsed from the crime being committed.
3. Giving the attorney general the authority to ask the court to allow the interception of private communications of a person that may provide evidence that the person is committing or planning to commit sex trafficking in the 1st or 2nd degree or human trafficking in the 1st degree.
4. Making a person convicted for sex trafficking ineligible for a suspended imposition of sentence.
5. Adding the felony of being a patron of a prostitute who is under 20 years of age to those crimes that require registration as a sex offender.
6. Providing that a person convicted of an unclassified or class A sexual felony is not eligible for mandatory parole (good time).

ELECTRONIC MONITORING OF OFFENDERS

The bill provides an opportunity for the court to order electronic monitoring by GPS or a similar technology of a person being released on bail in connection with a crime involving domestic violence. The department of public safety is tasked with developing guidelines for implementation of this type of monitoring.

The bill also provides an opportunity for the court to order electronic monitoring through the domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking protective order process.

TREATMENT AND CONSIDERATION OF GOOD TIME

The bill requires a defendant claiming credit for time spent in a treatment program as a condition of bail release, a condition of bail release in connection with a petition to revoke bail or a condition of probation to file a written notice 10 days before a hearing on that offense and must state the number of days the person is claiming.

5TH AMENDMENT CLAIMS

The bill strengthens the procedure for determining whether or not a witness is actually entitled to constitutional protection and a grant of immunity from prosecution if the person testifies. It requires the court to personally interview the witness at a closed hearing and then the court must make written findings of fact and conclusions of law in a sealed order to explain any decision made. It would also allow the state the right to an immediate appeal of the court's decision regarding the protection to the Court of Appeals.

VICTIM PROTECTION

The bill requires that a person arrested for a violation of a condition of release in connection with a domestic violence crime appear before a judge in person or by telephone before being released from custody.

The bill excludes evidence at trial of the victim's sexual conduct after the person was victimized. Evidence of the victim's sexual conduct before the person was attacked is already excluded. If the defense wants to try and get such conduct entered as evidence at trial, the bill requires such a request be made to the court at least five days before trial.

The bill adds military organizations to the definition of victim counseling centers. This allows privilege for confidential communications between a victim of domestic violence or sexual assault and staff of programs providing services to victims through the military.

The bill includes victims of sex trafficking, human trafficking, and unlawful exploitation of a minor to the list of person eligible to receive violent crimes compensation.

Several sections of the bill strengthen statutes and court rules requiring courts to consider victim impact statements throughout the sentencing process including:

1. Requiring a presentence report to include a victim impact statement or an explanation of why one is missing.

2. Requiring courts to take the statement into account when preparing the sentencing report and other purposes.
3. Requiring the Alaska Judicial Council to collect data on individual judges' compliance in considering how the crime has affected all facets of the victim's life and requires the Council to publish data on the judge's compliance when making recommendations regarding the judge's retention on the bench.

CHILDREN'S PROTECTIONS

Strengthens the procedures for law enforcement officers to get an administrative subpoena for certain records of an internet service provider in investigations of online enticement of a minor, unlawful exploitation of a minor, distribution of child pornography, possession of child pornography and distribution of indecent material to a minor by authorizing an increase in the number of attorneys within the department of law who can approve the subpoenas.

The bill requires the court to give some consecutive time for each crime or attempted or solicited crime for which the defendant is being sentenced when the person is convicted of two or more crimes of possession or distribution of child pornography or distribution of indecent material to minors.

The bill allows courts latitude to decide reasonable efforts do not have to be made by OCS to reunite a child, who is in an out-of-home placement, with the child's family if the court finds by clear and convincing evidence that the parent or guardian has committed sexual abuse against the child or another child of the parent or guardian, or that the parent or guardian is registered or required to register as a sex offender.

The bill adds coaches to those persons who are required to report suspected child abuse or neglect to authorities. Coaches are defined to include paid and volunteer coaches.

The bill adopts a court rule to limit the publication of child pornography that is required during the discovery process in a prosecution for unlawful exploitation of a minor. The defendant and defense counsel have to view the material where it is stored.

The bill removes a 10-year history time limit regarding the admissibility of prior bad acts of physical or sexual assault or abuse of a minor as evidence in a current case. Other exceptions to this rule include sexual assault and domestic violence prosecution.

PROPOSED MEETING SCHEDULE

FOR FY14

JULY 1, 2013 - JUNE 30, 2014



PROPOSED MEETING SCHEDULE FOR FY 14

JULY:

Meetings to discuss FY15 budget
1 day or 2 ½ days

AUGUST:

Meeting to discuss FY15 budget
½ day

NOVEMBER:

Regular quarterly meeting
2 days--week before Thanksgiving

FEBRUARY:

Council Legislative Day
1 day--Focus on Sunset Extension

MAY:

Funding Meeting for 2015-2016 grant cycle
2-3 days

OUTCOME MEASURES

2ND QUARTER - FY13



Outcome Measures

	In the Shelter	In Non-residential Support & Advocacy	In Counseling	In Non-residential Support Groups	% of Positive (YES) Responses
Number of participants this quarter	484	1012	123	373	
Number of surveys completed	219	164	21	155	
(1) I know more or different intervention strategies for safety.	175	141	19	131	80%
(2) I know more about what resources and help are available and how to access those resources.	192	153	19	137	88%
(3) I know more about what services to access for my children.	151	107	20	109	69%
(4) I feel less isolated since working with this program.	154	111	17	129	70%
(5) I better understand the impact of the crisis and trauma I experienced.	172	122	19	128	79%
(6) I know more about my legal rights since working with this program.	155	119	19	116	71%
(7) I have a better understanding of how the justice process works.	126	102	18	100	58%

VICTIM SERVICE PROGRAMS

2ND QUARTER - FY13 NARRATIVES



AFS (PALMER) - ALASKA FAMILY SERVICES

SUCCESSSES

- Started the “Valley Men Choose Respect” campaign. The campaign includes an eight-week public awareness effort through a media initiative. Seven prominent local men, plus Governor Parnell, will appear in a series of weekly ads appearing in the Mat-Su Valley Frontiersman.
- Renewed our “A Window Between Worlds” mini-grant that helps cover weekly art projects for women and children within our shelter. This program empowers domestic violence survivors to express their feelings, build their confidence, and to overcome the abusive messages that they learned from their batterers.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENTS & PARTNERSHIPS

- Continue to provide education on the dynamics of domestic violence and its effects on children and their care.
- Continue to connect our clientele with other agencies and resources that allow them to enter into a life independent of violence.
- Worked with community partners to promote Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

- With the recent turnover of our outreach advocates, the domestic violence and sexual assault program worked with local agencies to provide training and establish working relationships to ensure seamless continuity of services.

AVV (VALDEZ) - ADVOCATES FOR VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE

SUCCESSSES

- Promoted Domestic Violence Awareness Month.
- Held a crisis intervention training for all advocates by lead presenter Brittany Luddington from the Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (ANDVSA).

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENTS & PARTNERSHIPS

- Held the annual “Get Your Purple On” event and contest. Local businesses, government offices, and the school district participated by decorating their offices and buildings with domestic violence awareness facts and the color purple.
- Held a “Candlelight Vigil” to honor victims and survivors of domestic violence.
- Continued to assist one woman who experienced abuse for a very long time who had been rejected by people she thought could be a resource person or agency. We listened to her story, provided weekly counseling to help her better communicate with all systems involved, and helped her to reconnect with services and resources.
- Staff and families provided food, clothing, and toys to families left homeless due to several fires in town. The shelter was used as a drop-off place for community donations.
- The Valdez Fire Department recognized AVV for their hard work in the community by donating money collected by passing around the boot.
- Hosted a community care providers meeting with staff from Providence Valdez Behavioral Health, the elementary school, Alaska Housing, Office of Children’s Services, Infant Learning Center, and the Valdez Police Department. There was renewed energy emanating from everyone as AVV introduced new ideas to better serve the targeted population.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

- Advertised for the direct services coordinator and new advocate positions.

AWAIC (ANCHORAGE) - ABUSED WOMEN'S AID IN CRISIS

SUCCESSSES

- Attended the Prevention Summit as a team with representatives from Standing Together Against Rape (STAR), Abused Women's Aid in Crisis (AWAIC), Anchorage Police Department, Anchorage Youth Advocates, and University of Alaska Nursing.
- AWAIC's Board of Director President Raquel Edelen received the Alaska Fundraising Professional's Outstanding Volunteer in Philanthropy Award.
- The Hickel Investment Company recently donated land to AWAIC in downtown Anchorage at 619 E. Fifth Ave. This will be the future site of the new AWAIC Resource Center. The center will serve as the drop-off location for donated items received by AWAIC participants or by partner agencies serving at-risk, low-income and vulnerable individuals whose basic needs are not always met for items such as clothing and small household appliances.
- Held guided discussions around shelter and program practices to make them as beneficial as possible based on evaluation feedback. This year AWAIC will concentrate on improving groups and developing new evaluation questions.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENTS & PARTNERSHIPS

- Promoted Domestic Violence Awareness Month with a kick-off event at the Anchorage Museum with this year's theme "Shed the Light." Opening ceremonies brought together local organizations to proclaim a joint effort towards ending abuse in Anchorage and statewide.
- Churches around Anchorage held "Shed the Light" services within their congregations to shed the light on the problem of domestic violence. A brief prayer service followed with an evening honoring survivors of violence by releasing purple sky lanterns and observing a moment of silence. AWAIC staff attended each service and were available to provide information and support.
- Hosted the annual gala fundraiser "Silent Nights." This sold out western-themed event featured an inspiring survivor of abuse who shared her story of triumph over adversity and encouraged all community members to be involved.
- Continued to serve as the point of contact for the Emergency Cold Weather Plan (ECWP) this winter with our 24-hour crisis. Those who are a part of the plan successfully recruited and provided training to churches that will be open their doors to families seeking a warm place to sleep when the temperature dips below 45 degrees.
- Provided program participant referrals to the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) for the new Empowering Choice Voucher Program. This is a transitional tenant-based rental assistance program to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.
- Health and Social Services coordinated a meeting with AWAIC staff, Providence, and the Salvation Army Clitheroe Center to discuss barriers to services for victims of domestic violence and to clarify the referral processes and confidentiality guidelines.

AWARE (JUNEAU) - AIDING WOMEN IN ABUSE & RAPE EMERGENCIES

SUCCESSSES

- Trained two new overnight advocates and continued training two Jesuit volunteers.
- Hosted a holiday party for women and children who had used AWARE services.
- Continue to facilitate women's support groups.
- Taught the Healthy Relationships class to 18 women. This is a popular class.
- Counseled 53 children and 32 non-offending parents. Successfully transition several clients out of counseling with safety plans.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENTS & PARTNERSHIPS

- Promoted Domestic Violence Awareness Month.
- Sponsored the "Walk A Mile In Her Shoes" community AWAREness run/walk including 120 participants.
- Sponsored a women's self-defense class.
- Presented the film "The Invisible War" at the Goldtown Nickelodeon Theater in partnership with the Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (ANDVSA).
- Sponsored a "White Ribbon Pledge" drive in five schools. Teens pledged not to "condone, commit or remain silent" about violence against women or girls. Over 380 pledges were collected.
- Implemented Coaching Boys into Men (CBIM) in two Juneau high schools. Staff worked with eight coaches and 80 student athletes.
- Worked with several community partners to form a boys running program called "Boys Run-Toowu Galatseen (Strengthen Your Spirit)" to pilot in Fall 2013.
- Senator Lisa Murkowski met with staff and toured AWARE as part of her visit to Juneau. She talked about challenges regarding the federal Violence Against Women Act, and talked with staff about areas of unmet need.
- AWARE initiated a capital campaign to raise the designated \$150,000 fund from the community for the required match for the Rasmuson Foundation's \$1 million award for AWARE's new building. The campaign was co-chaired by First Lady Sandy Parnell and AWARE's former board member Marla Berg.
- Attended the statewide Prevention Summit with community partners.
- Organized "Girls On The Run" (GOTR) in Juneau, Yakutat, and Ketchikan. A GOTR steering committee was formed to plan and support expansion within the state.
- Hosted a Disability Abuse Response Team (DART) Lunch and Learn with community partners and showed the film "Charting New Waters: Responding to Violence Against Women with Disabilities."

AWARE (JUNEAU) - CONTINUED

- Hosted a meeting with tribal partners and the Office of Children's Services managers/supervisors to work through existing barriers to coordinate service provisions.
- Obtained several Alaska Housing Finance Corporation Empowering Choice Housing Vouchers for program participants. This is a transitional tenant-based rental assistance program to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Continued to train an advocate to assist native families who have been involved in the child protection system through a partnership with the Central Council Tlingit Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, Tribal Family & Youth.
- Hired Chris Bauman as the business manager. She brings expertise from years at AWARE and as director of Sitkans Against Family Violence (SAFV).

AWIC (BARROW) - ARCTIC WOMEN IN CRISIS

SUCCESSSES

- Provided residential services for 34 women and 33 children. Our on-call counselors responded to one Sexual Abuse of a Minor (SAM); our Crisis Line responded to 133 crisis calls.
- Participated in the North Slope Borough Health Department (NSBHD) health fairs that were held in several communities. Advocates distributed information about domestic violence, bullying prevention, and healthy relationships.
- Participated in the national bullying prevention event called Unity Day. Distributed orange ribbons and information about bullying prevention to the Barrow community.
- Attended the Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) multi-disciplinary meetings with representative from the police department, the Arctic Slope Native Association and the district attorney.
- Staffed a table at the local banks and distributed 150 healthy snack bags filled with information about the Victims Crime Compensation Program to community members
- Started our Healthy Relationship and Bullying Prevention classes at the middle school.
- Completed the “Fourth R” pre-survey and follow-up test at the Barrow High School serving 66 students from the health classes.
- Nursing students from the North Slope Borough Wellness Center taught stress reduction and self-care during our Family Night.
- Participated in a telephonic follow-up meeting with the Justice for Native Children Project to identify and schedule training needs and discuss current practice challenges and a preliminary agreement for coordination of cases.
- Facilitated a Guiding Principles to Improving the Health Care Response to Victims of Domestic Violence PowerPoint presentation to the Wellness Center staff.
- Community Involvements & Partnerships
- Displayed a map of the world at the grocery store honoring victims of violence with a message urging community members to create peace.
- Talked about the impact of bullying and tips for parents for promoting healthy relationships on the radio.
- Presented the documentary “The Invisible War” at the Inupiat Heritage Center in partnership with North Slope Borough Integrated Behavior Health and the Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (ANDVSA). The film featured interviews with military personnel, lawmakers, advocates, and veterans who have survived sexual assault.
- Discussed the White Ribbon campaign at our advisory meeting and scheduled a lunch/meeting in January with the faith-based community and cultural leaders. This campaign is the world’s largest

AWIC (BARROW) - CONTINUED

movement of men and boys working to end violence against women and girls, to promote gender equity, healthy relationships, and a new vision of masculinity.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

- AWIC's relationship with the district attorney's office has improved and the staff now call to ask for information and to make referrals for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. One concern is that the assistant district attorney who was an advocate for victims of violence is moving to Fairbanks.
- Helping to facilitate a training to be held in January titled " Intervention & Treatment for Children Who Have Been Sexually Abused". It is sponsored by the Alaska Children's Alliance under the Improving Services to Child Victims project funded by the Indian Health Service.

BSWG (NOME) - BERING SEA WOMEN'S GROUP

SUCCESSSES

- The rural outreach coordinator is leading a Women's support group every two weeks.
- Community Involvements & Partnerships
- Attended the Nome Resource Fair, a city-wide event that took place to let the public know what resources were available.
- Attended the Norton Sound Regional Hospital Health Fair. Staff were available with information about domestic violence and sexual assault.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

- The executive director is on medical leave for December – February. The legal advocate is in acting status.
- Granted permission to hire a half-time staff member but are waiting for the executive director's return.
- Two staff members are taking turns with Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) calls but hope to have more advocates go to the SART training in order to help.

CFRC (CORDOVA) - CORDOVA FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

SUCCESSSES

- Assisted the school district with the Fourth R program and evaluation. CFRC was asked to teach several classes for the teacher when she was out-of-town.
- The women's art support group is a great success; women enjoy the supportive services that are available.
- Collaborated with the Forest Service to provide an educational component to the art groups on Cordova specific topics.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENTS & PARTNERSHIPS

- In coordination with Sound Alternative Behavioral Health, worked with the Department of Health and Social Services to obtain services for parents and youth.
- Working with Sound Alternative Behavioral Health, the school district, public health, and other local agencies to try and access services for families that have been involved with the Office of Children's Services due to the lack of resources here in Cordova.
- The state troopers have placed CFRC on the list for game that was illegally taken. They are also making available the ability to fly with them to the villages when needed.
- New Cordova police officers stopped by the CFRC office on several occasions to inquire about how they might help or make it easier for clients and their safety. The city is in the process of hiring a new police chief.

IAC (FAIRBANKS) - INTERIOR ALASKA CENTER FOR NON-VIOLENT LIVING

SUCCESSSES

- The shelter remained full, often having to use offices or couches as overflow space.
- Received vouchers from the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation Empowering Choice Housing Vouchers for program participants. This is a transitional tenant-based rental assistance program to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.
- Assisted survivors with other options such as assisting with a few months' rent and deposits.
- Prepared for the holidays, including Thanksgiving and Christmas, to make sure those in the program had the best holiday possible despite their situation. Provided a wonderful Christmas to over 42 families.
- Through a joint program with the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District we are again this year able to offer a tutor in shelter four evenings a week to assist children with homework and other types of education related assistance.
- Continue to see success with our partnership with public health, including public nurse visits.
- A few of our longer term women have hooked in with different home visiting programs to assist with parenting and basic life skill.
- Continue to work with and build relationships with other agencies to better assist those we serve

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENTS & PARTNERSHIPS

- Coordinated the Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Prevention Committee. Fairbanks was picked as a Green Dot pilot program community.
- Received a new grant funding a rural sexual advocate. Time was spent hiring an advocate, and setting up plans for the new program.
- Worked with a Disability Abuse Response Team (DART) committee to hosted an art show and candlelight vigil in honor of Domestic Violence Awareness Month.
- Attended the Alaska Prevention Summit with the goal of putting together a group of people to work on prevention efforts for sexual assault and domestic violence in the community. Worked with the University of Alaska Fairbanks social work department to get a needs assessment.
- Prepared for Green Dot training in January
- Planning to host a community café in March to try to get a larger community involvement in "Take Back the Night."
- Traveled to Nulato for a high school and community wellness fair. Made three presentations and provided an information booth geared towards junior high and high school student and their parents.

KWRCC (KODIAK) - KODIAK WOMEN'S RESOURCE & CRISIS CENTER

SUCCESSSES

- Continue to perform core services for the safety needs of victims even when shelter bed capacity was reached.
- Completed the beginning Advocacy class for new and veteran staff and two community members taking the course through the Kodiak College.
- Continue to work with the Alaska Immigration Justice Project to set up some model protocols for language access in shelter programs.
- Continue to sit on two multidisciplinary teams. One team addresses child cases and one addresses the adult sexual assault cases.
- Continue to provide the Stepping Stones support groups as well as Soluciones support group facilitated in Spanish for the Latino community members. Held the quarterly Intercultural Task Force meeting.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENTS & PARTNERSHIPS

- Continue to host the monthly Multidisciplinary Task Force (MDT) meetings. This MDT consists of several key service agencies, law enforcement (Kodiak Police Department and State Troopers), District Attorney's office, and the Office of Children's Services.
- Continue a new program under the Turning the Tide project which is in partnership with our community counseling center (Providence Kodiak Island Counseling Center). A licensed therapist comes to the shelter to provide services for the resident clients that may be suffering from trauma.
- Continue to pilot a Safe Alaskan Family Toolbox (SAFT) project with the Office of Children's Services, and tribes. As part of the project, KWRCC organized a Community Coordinated Response Training (CCRT) in Kodiak. Graham Barnes from the Duluth model in Minnesota trained 45 of Kodiak agency officials and first responders in locating the gaps in our local system when responding to crimes of domestic violence.
- Worked with our adult multidisciplinary teams to structure a set of protocols for our Kodiak Sexual Assault Response Team (SART). Protocols have been completed and signed and Kodiak officially has a SART team.
- KWRCC continues to sit on the Kodiak Homeless Coalition. This group assesses housing issues in Kodiak and works on how to address the need.
- Collaborated with Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak restarted the Native Women's Advisory Committee. This group will work with natural leaders in the native community to address ideas on addressing domestic violence and sexual assault in the native community.

LSC (KENAI/SOLDOTNA) - LEESHORE CENTER

SUCCESSSES

- Awarded \$52,640 in HUD matching funds for CY2013. Funds will be used for operational costs of the agency's transitional housing facility.
- LeeShore provided bed nights to 23 women and 17 children. Non-shelter services were provided to 293 individuals.
- A woman that has been in and out of shelter numerous times over that past few years came to us again. Lack of income and safe adequate housing had impacted her choice to return to her abusive partner on multiple occasions. Due to health issues, she was able to qualify for disability income. LSC assisted her with several services that helped her locate to a safe apartment.
- A woman fleeing for safety came to LSC from another Alaskan community. She knew she had to leave her community in order to stay safe but she was enrolled full time in college. LSC was able to provide a safe location and encouraged her to communicate with her professors who agreed to work with her and allow her to email her assignments.
- Provided safety, education, support, and transportation to a woman fairly new to Alaska. She was living in an isolated area where her boyfriend abused her. She was provided transportation to family out-of-state.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENTS & PARTNERSHIPS

- Held a Community Awareness Workshop.
- Received Domestic Violence Awareness Proclamations from Kenai, Soldotna and Borough mayors in October.
- Over 100 people attended the annual meeting. Recognition awards were presented to individuals and businesses in the community who played an outstanding role over the year.
- LeeShore enjoyed a visit from First Lady Sandy Parnell and Special Assistant to the Governor Rachel Blyma. While visiting, the First Lady was able to tour our facility met staff and clients.
- LeeShore hosted the CDVSA Council meeting in November.
- Attended the statewide Prevention Summit.
- The Kenai Piecemakers donated 61 handmade children's quilts this quarter. All children coming into the shelter were encouraged to choose a quilt of their own. This has been an annual event for years .

MFCC (KOTZEBUE) - MANIILAQ FAMILY CRISIS CENTER

Report not available.

SAFE (DILLINGHAM) - SAFE & FEAR-FREE ENVIRONMENT

SUCCESSSES

- Filled several key open staff positions. Each new staff completed over 100 hours of training over two months while the rest of the staff covered hours.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENTS & PARTNERSHIPS

- Participated in Domestic Violence Awareness Month.
- Sponsored the 3rd annual Paws for Peace March (human and canine) with about 30 participants on a snowy, blustery day.
- Nearly 50 people participated in the regional Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) training.
- Young SAFE members from the Myspace Youth Wellness Council hosted and organized the 13th annual New Fish in the Sea Community Welcome potluck, drawing nearly 60 people.
- Mounted the most recent community mural project on the side of the N&N grocery store. The mural project is part of an ongoing strategy for community engagement and mobilization to end violence.
- Began planning for “One Billion Rising” activities, a worldwide event initiated by V Day International scheduled for Valentine’s Day with a call for one billion women and men to “dance until the violence stops”.
- Contracted with Christianson Communications to facilitate a focus group and two strategic planning meetings with community partners. A key recommendation from the SAFT focus group is development of an Elders Council within the Curyung Tribal court system. SAFE was asked and agreed to take on the task of developing an “Elders List” to make it easier to notify and involve elders about agency, governmental and community events so that they are more likely to participate and assume the leadership roles we need them to take.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

- Continue to attempt to work with the police department to change their unwritten policy and practice about the use (or non-use) of the 72 hour emergency protective order. Once again request CDVSA investigate the use of the emergency protective order and what it would take to convince law enforcement to use this resource to enhance the safety of victims.
- Service’s impacted by the transition to a new police chief, the loss of three police officers, and the untimely death of the public defender, the resignation of the SISTR counselor and legal advocate, and reduction in staff at the regional counseling center.

SAFV (SITKA) - SITKANS AGAINST FAMILY VIOLENCE

SUCCESSSES

- Helped a woman after being repeatedly threatened and harassed by her husband verbally and then after separation, through texts and emails. Helped another woman after leaving an abusive relationship. A safety plan was devised and resources explored. Helped two women who sought shelter from the meth houses after cooperating with police. According to the police, the meth problem in town is worse than thought. SAFV invited addiction specialists to the Domestic Violence Task Force to present on the impact and chemistry of meth in a community.
- SAFV is fortunate to receive services from a clinician who specializes in domestic violence, trauma and addictions.
- Committee meeting, which were formed during SAFV's strategic planning meeting, met to determine the direction for SAFV.
- Hired a new maintenance person to repair a sadly neglected building.
- Developing a cooperative relationships with the new Sitka Tribe Social Services staff.
- The SAFV director testified to the city assembly about the importance of funding another police officer.
- SAFV's cultural program is expanding to two nights. Several women have started their own drum group with drums they made and will perform at the annual Honoring Women Banquet.
- Made several trips to Kake and one to Angoon to give presentations. Traveled to Kake with the tribal SART coordinator to address issues of sexual assault in the village.
- Held a successful raffle.
- Had a table at the Christmas bazaar with awareness information. Hosted the annual shelter Christmas party for residents and former residents.
- Completed presentations to K-5 grades and the Parent Advisory Committee and continued healthy relationship classes at the alternative high school.
- Several youth attended the Lead On! conference: Sitka-8, Kake-3, and Angoon-1.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENTS & PARTNERSHIPS

- The media covered the presentation of the Alaska Victimization Survey Results. Out of this, an FM radio station decided to do a series on domestic violence and SAFV's prevention program.
- The Mt. Edgecumbe business class students held a business venture (selling mugs) with the proceeds to be donated to SAFV.
- Held a community seminar called "Transforming Group Culture."

SAFV (SITKA) - CONTINUED

- Gave a prevention program presentation at the library. Presented a table for the Art-for Healing projects. Put up a display on “Pathways to a Safer Sitka” and decorated shoes that survivors created for “Walk a Mile in Her Shoes.”
- Presented a display at the Coast Guard open house advertising volunteer training. Were able to solicit three scholarships for a Sitka Fine Arts Camps dance class for kids.
- Screened SAFV’s prevention documentary “Layers of Change” about Sitka’s Respect Mural.
- Presented at a table at Health Cares About Domestic Violence Day at the SouthEast Alaska Regional Health Consortium hospital and provided hand-outs and posters for the event.
- Presented “A Developmental Disorder - The Inter-Dynamics between Trauma, Mental Health, Addictions and Domestic Violence” to the community, medical staff, and people in the human services field.
- SAFV created and issued a newsletter to 748 households.
- Partnered with Sitka Counseling, Sitka Native Education Program, Center For Community, Youth Advocates, Sitka Tribe, and Sitka School District and more to for the “Pathways to a Safer Sitka.”
- Attended the statewide Prevention Summit. SAVF prevention director gave a presentation on “Layers of Change” about the Sitka Community Mural and the process it took to create it.
- As Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) partners with the tribe paid for several SAVF staff to attend training.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

- SAFV has been inundated with people seeking services and have had to call in relief advocates to help during the days.
- Concerned about coordinated programs with the Sitka Tribe Social Services due to staff turnover.
- Met with Judge Voluck to discuss concerns over the lack of protocols and the lack of domestic violence training.
- Met with the Chief of Police to brainstorm responses with officers and advocates, particularly when children are involved.

SCS (SEWARD) - SEAVIEW COMMUNITY SERVICES

SCS

Report not available.

SPHH (HOMER) - SOUTH PENINSULA HAVEN HOUSE

SUCCESSSES

- Opened Homer Thrift, a small second-hand store that will raise money for Haven House, and provide an opportunity to start an economic empowerment program.
- Continued to field crisis calls and walk-in clients who were affected by the very public teen sexual assault at a party in our community and the allegations of inappropriate behavior at a school dance.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENTS & PARTNERSHIPS

- Participated in Domestic Violence Awareness Month.
- Sponsored a community dialogue and training following the public sexual assault of a minor. "Voices Over Violence" was a series of two evenings targeted at youth and their parents, but open to all community members. Governor Parnell and First Lady Sandy Parnell came to town to lend their support and comment on domestic violence and sexual assault in Alaska.
- Spoke on the local radio program regarding issues of teen sexual assault and published a short point of view in the local paper.
- Held a candlelight vigil to remember and honor victims of violence and come together to stand against violence.
- Hosted the Green Dot trainers for a day of training.

STAR (ANCHORAGE) - STANDING TOGETHER AGAINST RAPE

SUCCESSSES

- An Anchorage jury convicted Richard Dorsey, 46, on all 12 counts in the rapes of several women between 2001 and 2004. These cases had been “cold” until the discovery of DNA evidence.
- Working closely with the new victim/witness coordinator in the Anchorage district attorney’s office to connect clients who may need support of and advocate.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENTS & PARTNERSHIPS

- Assisted with Sarah Jane Johnson’s one-woman play about rape that was held at the Out North Contemporary Art House in Anchorage. Sarah Jane attended a women’s support group at STAR and did a creative writing exercise with participants.
- Held STAR’s Holiday Tea fundraiser at the Marriott in downtown Anchorage.
- Provided a booth at the Alaska Federation of Natives.
- Provided testimony to the Alaska Sex Trafficking Task Force.
- Continued to work closely with the police and the Office of Children’s Services to implement a streamlined process for mandated reports when disclosures are made to STAR educators following school safety presentations.
- Became a referral source for Alaska Housing Finance Corporation Empowerment Choice Housing Program. STAR and AWAIC coordinated an approach to make sure clients were set up to succeed in independent housing and to decrease the chance of resource shopping between agencies.
- Added a second full-time educator. The education team presented in K-12, college classes, OWLS program through Planned Parenthood, the Arch Young Women’s Group. Trained new journeymen pipefitters about sexual harassment. Taught Jesuit volunteers Sexual Assault 101 and how to respond to disclosure of abuse and refer clients to appropriate services.
- Provided booths at six events - University of Alaska Health Fair, Alaska Federation of Natives, Alaska Child Maltreatment Conference, School of Health and Wellness Institute, Domestic Violence Opening Ceremonies, Pride Conference.
- Presented information about STAR services, handling disclosures, and mandating reporting to Big Brothers Big Sisters, senior companions, and Programs for Infants and Children (PIC).
- Participated in statewide Prevention Summit.
- Twelve were educated on sexual assault and consent, the role of the advocate, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, Rape Trauma Syndrome, supportive language, the SART process off base, and self-care skills.

TWC (BETHEL) - TUNDRA WOMEN'S COALITION

SUCCESSSES

- TWC staff and Teens Acting Against Violence attended Lead On!
- Attended the statewide Prevention Summit.
- Youth Services sponsored the Giving Tree project again – 62 families/253 individuals from throughout the region- received presents donated by community members for the holidays.
- Feeling the effects of the shelter manager and legal advocate turnover. Positions are now filled but there is a steep learning curve and high demand for service.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENTS & PARTNERSHIPS

- TWC staff participated in an AMCR event and hosted a site visit from Engaging Boys/Men TA providers.
- Sponsored the Yuraq Dancing and Traditional Drum Gathering.
- Held a Candlelight Ceremony honoring those whose lives have been affected by violence.
- Held the annual Peacewalk and potluck.
- Attended the Human Trafficking Task Force meetings.
- Received an AmeriCorps VISTA position through the Alaska Immigration Justice Project who will manage our thrift store and volunteers.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

- Had some challenges with the local police department but it is now solved.
- Sometimes experience challenges working with the Office of Children's Services.
- We had a coffee meeting one morning with the tribal social services staff .
- Planning to share a position with the sex offender treatment program within the Department of Corrections through a federal grant.
- Continue to facilitate a Healthy Families support group onsite once a week.

USAFV (UNALASKA) - UNALASKANS AGAINST SEXUAL ASSAULT & FAMILY VIOLENCE

SUCCESSSES

- Participated in Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENTS & PARTNERSHIPS

- Presented at the Unalaska City Council meeting.
- Presented on domestic violence and USAFV's services to the Ballyhoo Lions Club.
- Held our annual Domestic Violence Awareness Luncheon, featuring a panel of members representing USAFV, behavioral health, the immigrant community, the school, young people, law enforcement, medical, and clergy.
- The local grocery store helped coordinate a food drive for USAFV.
- A local boy scout troop held a food drive for USAFV.
- Received cash donations including a significant amount from American Seafoods and the Unalashka Corporation.
- Received funds from business and corporate memberships.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

- Short-staffed due to medical emergency.
- Renovation work has uncovered some unanticipated maintenance problems.

VFJ (ANCHORAGE) - VICTIMS FOR JUSTICE

SUCCESSSES

- Held the H2O Oasis Riverwalk for Justice fundraiser and awareness event. Participants “walked” in the river at H2Oasis Indoor Waterpark as an individual or team. The event was used as an opportunity to discuss victim issues on radio shows.
- Held our Holiday Open House, an event for victims of violent crime that offers a comfortable recognition of the holidays. Survivors of violence, law enforcement, faith-based, and state prosecution personnel attended.

WISH (KETCHIKAN) - WOMEN IN SAFE HOMES

SUCCESSSES

- Attended advocacy, CPR and first aid, and legal advocacy trainings.
- Helped several program participants find apartments both independently and through the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation. Helped many with furnishings via donations.
- Received numerous donations from businesses and individuals over the holidays.
- Worked with Ketchikan Indian Community (KIC), Southeast Alaska Independent Living (SAIL) Gateway/Akeela and Public Health as a Disability Awareness Resource Team (DART) committee.
- The Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (ANDVSA) provided teleconference training on the new Alaska Housing Finance Corporation Empowering Choice Housing Voucher program. Four of our five allotted housing vouchers have provided for assistance for program participants.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENTS & PARTNERSHIPS

- Received advocacy training from the Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (ANDVSA). Also received legal advocacy training information on protective orders and other legal processes.
- Information from the Child Maltreatment Conference was shared with staff. This was useful as many children come to both the shelter and family services program.
- Presented to the Forest Service about WISH services and the Pick, Click, Give program. It was gratifying to see donations dropped off during the holidays from Forest Service members, and therefore can see firsthand how positive presentations can directly benefit WISH program participants.
- Attended the Wellness Conference in Anchorage and received great information on the importance of maintaining personal wellness when working amongst domestic violence and sexual assault. Afterwards, the new shelter manager and children's program manager shadowed at the Abused Women's Aid in Crisis (AWAIC).
- Submitted the Rasmuson Foundation Sabbatical Application.
- Attended the statewide Prevention Summit.
- The Women of Distinction honorees met for introductions, information and to have photos taken for the posters and publications for the February event.
- A small group gathered at the Saxman Tribal House to celebrate grandmothers and to hear from special guests visiting from the Chumash tribe and California. The program included a potluck, storytelling, drumming, singing and a brief documentary on "Women's Voices." In addition, the guests traveled to Metlakatla to attend the Alaska Native Girls meeting.

WISH (KETCHIKAN) - CONTINUED

- Family Service's staff is moving forward with the plan to relocate their offices, opening up the downstairs area at the shelter for children's programs

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

- The shelter manager position was vacated and filled.
- The database containing all program participant information was lost and had to be re-entered. CDVSA research analyst will visit in the near future to provide technical assistance and training.
- There were unexpectedly low numbers in program participants staying in the shelter.
- There is a lack of low-income housing options in Ketchikan
- The lack of an emergency mental health and detoxification facility continues to be a large problem in Ketchikan.

COMMUNITY-BASED BATTERER'S INTERVENTION PROGRAMS (BIP)

2ND QUARTER - FY13
NARRATIVES



COMMUNITY-BASED STATISTICS

2ND QUARTER OCTOBER 1- DECEMBER 31, 2012	AFS Palmer	IAC Fairbanks	KIC Ketchikan	LSC Kenai	SPHH Homer	TOTAL
How many new participants were court-ordered into the program?	10	18	3	10	2	43
How many written intake assessments were completed?	8	14	3	3	2	30
How many participants were accepted into the program?	8	14	3	10	2	37
How many new victim safety checks were completed? (spoke directly with the victim)	2	unknown	3	5	unknown	10
How many safety checks were completed? (includes new and continuing victims)	15	15	68	99	unknown	197
How many participants completed the program during this quarter?	5	2	2	2	1	12
How many participants were non-compliant during this quarter?	2	1	7	8	1	19
How many participants were re-arrested for domestic violence during this quarter (defined as police arrest and charge of domestic violence)?	4	0	0	1	0	5
How many were repeat participants during this quarter (defined as someone who has attended intake and some or all of a program before and returned)?	4	0	0	1	0	5
How many participants are in continual contact with his partner (victim of the abuse)? (If the participant was counted as in continual contact with his partner during the previous quarter do not count again)	7	unknown	2	5	1	15
How many participants' partners (victims of the abuse) are receiving support services from a victim agency? (If the partner was counted as receiving services during the previous quarter do not count again)	0	15	0	4	0	19
What is the total dollars of fees collected?	\$8,050	\$0	\$908	\$4,625	\$324	\$13,907
What is the total dollars of accounts receivable (more than 30 days past due)?	\$0	\$0	\$870	\$0	\$0	\$870

AFS (PALMER) - ALASKA FAMILY SERVICES

OVERVIEW

- The Family Violence Intervention Program (FVIP) was moved to the new office space next door from its former location. Hired a new group facilitator to co-facilitate the BIP and PBP groups.

SUCCESSSES

- Five participants completed their court-ordered groups. The community-based Batterers' Intervention Program is on track to meet the FY13 goals and objectives.

INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement - We continue to get good follow through from Alaska State Troopers, Palmer Police Department, and the Wasilla Police Department . Remain in contact with the local Alaska State Trooper officer assigned to domestic violence follow-up who has been very helpful in working with our identified list of worst offenders.
- Prosecutors - We see ADA's at least monthly in court and maintain frequent phone contact regarding specific court cases and status hearings.
- Court System - We maintain contact with our legal advocate regarding court hearings and information. The FVIP staff attends monthly DVIP hearings and provides individual client statuses to the District Attorney and the court. FVIP has scheduled to meet with our Judges in January.
- Medical - Public Health and the hospital were involved in monthly DV Task Force meetings and plan on continuing when the meeting resume in the 2nd quarter.
- Office of Children's Services (OCS) -We receive regular referrals and make assessments on OCS clients for placement in BIP and/or anger management classes. Referrals continue to be steady along with requests for reports, court testimony, and supporting documentation
- DV Task Force - We have held monthly meetings along with local law-enforcement, Alaska Legal Services, Mat-Su Public Health, The Children's Place and victim services. The DV Task Force helped in Domestic Violence Awareness Month activities and looked into forming an advisory management team for administrative oversight for the Sexual Assault Response Team (SART).
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) – Information is offered to victims during safety checks.
- Behavioral Health - We have regular contact and collaboration with local mental health providers regarding coordination of services.
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs - We maintain regular contact with the local domestic violence shelter to coordinate services and provide victim safety checks. We have worked with other Batterer Intervention Programs to coordinate the services of our clients.

AWARE (JUNEAU) - AIDING WOMEN IN ABUSE & RAPE EMERGENCIES

OVERVIEW

- Juneau Choice & Accountability Program (JCAP) standardized the enrollment process for all potential participants.
- Staff implemented a participant case sheet in our written assessments.
- Continue to adjust to the renovations occurring at our group meeting space that was co-located with the JCAP office. For a brief time JCAP meetings were held in the conference room of the ANDVSA. However, due to the growing number of participants, staff opted to move the meeting location to a more comfortable meeting space, at Gastineau Human Services at the Juneau halfway house.

SUCCESSSES

- Staff implemented a new payment agreement form which has changed the payment process for JCAP participants.

INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – JCAP staff works with the Juneau Police Department to obtain police records on a regular basis for each man. Often staff makes additional records requests as more disclosure of domestic violence occurs during group.
- Prosecutors – JCAP staff works with the prosecutor's office to identify possible court referrals and discuss noncompliant court ordered participants.
- Court System – N/A
- Medical –N/A
- Office of Children's Services (OCS) – JCAP staff provided updates of participants who were referred by OCS.
- DV Task Force –N/A
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) –N/A
- Behavioral Health –N/A
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs – JCAP staff contacted the Ketchikan Indian Corporation (KIC), the Oregon City Counseling center and Ally in Change regarding participant transfers and/or enrollment.

IAC (FAIRBANKS) - INTERIOR ALASKA CENTER FOR NON-VIOLENT LIVING

OVERVIEW

- We have high referral numbers from the courts. We are working closely with APO, District Attorney's office and the courts.
- Due to comments by judges in court regarding this program being too expensive to get into, we have started a scholarship program where we will pay the cost of intake and orientation to the LEAP program. In return, we ask the participant to sign a deferred payment note that says if he does not complete he will owe the money back to IAC. Scholarship programs have been a useful tool in having a consistency in enrolling clients into program in a timely manner.

SUCCESSSES

- Consistency in enrollment and participation.

INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – Through the Coordinated Community Response (CCR) meetings
- Prosecutors - Through the CCR Meetings
- Court System – No direct interaction
- Medical - No interaction
- Office of Children's Services (OCS) - On an as needed basis
- DV Task Force - Attended two meetings this quarter
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) - No direct interaction
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs – N/A

KIC (KETCHIKAN) - KETCHIKAN INDIAN CORPORATIONS

INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement –DV Task Force meetings have been attended regularly by a representative from the Ketchikan police. Alaska State Troopers communicated with staff in December regarding a sexual assault trial, and we attended the trial as part of the support needed for the victim.
- Prosecutors –Regular staff contact regarding offenders, as well as during above mentioned trial, we spent three days meeting with before and after portions of the trial to encourage and support the victim, and strategize where we could be most effective. The prosecution lost, and the fallout was very emotional for the victim and her husband as well as the new District Attorney Joe Kovac who was very motivated to see this case go to trial and gave it 110%. We have regular email with Christi Rhodes-Mestas (paralegal/victim assistant) regarding these types of cases, as she regards us as a primary resource for native women’s advocacy.
- Court System –Monthly filing of affidavits, helpful court staff particularly Kevin Doran who also sits on the bench now as a magistrate and also attends the DV Task Force meetings.
- Probation –monthly staffing on particular cases. We invited the new staff to attend monthly staff meetings to discuss all cases, not just the BIP cases, including ASAP referrals that are often dual referrals to both programs. This has been very helpful and increased communication with all our staff and them.
- Public Defender –regular contact particularly this month regarding the drug assisted rape case. This has required coordination with medical staff, the district attorneys office and our services.
- Medical –we get called up to our medical floor, sometimes weekly to respond to a victims request for counseling and support. Recently we received toxicology reports from one of our physicians and she had us come and assist her when she disclosed to the victim (who had been arrested for assaulting the man who had raped her) that there was clear evidence she had been drugged with a commonly used assortment of hypnotics/narcotics, etc. typically used in a drug assisted rape. This case is still on-going, the charges haven’t been dropped against the victim yet!
- Office of Children’s Services (OCS) –The occasional attendance at the DV Task Force, but when they have a question about a referral, they give us a call.
- DV Task Force – We facilitated three DV Task Force Meetings this quarter with several other agencies including, WISH, AKEELA, Public Health, KPD, and the District Attorney.
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) –no contact this quarter, but we have their information available to give to victims.
- Behavioral Health – we have daily contact, as we belong to the BH department of our agency,
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs – we have our own victim services, as well as weekly if not more often contact with WISH. WISH staff also attends the DV Task Force, as well as our DART team.

LSC (KENAI-SOLDOTNA) - LEESHORE CENTER

OVERVIEW

- Eight new participants entered the program and received orientation. There were two court hearing to address non-compliance issues: two cases were continued to future dates; one participant was reassigned to the class; one case was closed per the District Attorney (client had been ordered to either BIP or Anger Management. LeeShore's Petition to Revoke Probation was dismissed.)
- Fluctuating fuel prices continue to cause difficulty for some of the participants to attend classes.

SUCCESSSES

- We are currently completing the Empathy and Compassion module of the program curriculum. During this quarter, two participants completed the 48 week program.

INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – As part of the Disability Abuse Response Team (DART), LeeShore and local law enforcement are working together identifying number of disabled victims served per month (in aggregate form.) We collect BIP survey information twice a year; this quarter 25 surveys were collected from local law enforcement. An underlying theme in their response is a desire to learn more about the program. The co-facilitator developed a BIP brochure and will be contacting law enforcement to meet with officers and distribute the brochure.
- Prosecutors – We provide monthly reports of participants who attend BIP classes, communicate non-compliance issues and submit names of participants completing class. The District Attorney's office participated in the recent BIP survey and submitted nine surveys.
- Court System – The BIP co-facilitator goes to the Kenai courthouse on a weekly basis to collect new referrals to the program. An Assistant District Attorney handles the monthly BIP issues in court and the BIP co-facilitator is present to testify if called upon. Contact with other court systems are made as necessary, with testimony being provided as requested. One difficulty this quarter was the insistence of sentencing participants to Anger Management. We have been told that a local service agency (Serenity House) has begun a 12-week Anger Management program. The court system returned one BIP survey this quarter.
- Medical – The co-facilitator attends both the DV/SA Task Force and the Children's Team meetings on a monthly basis. Information is provided about the program. Medical professionals from Kenai Public Health, the SART clinic and Central Peninsula Hospital attend these meetings. Due to the holidays, only two meetings were held this quarter.
- Office of Children's Services (OCS) - Interaction occurs as necessary regarding referrals to BIP and any follow-up issues that might occur. Regional OCS regional office directors also attend

LSC (KENAI & SOLDOTNA) - CONTINUED

monthly Children's Team meetings. We have one new BIP referral from Sand Lake OCS. We received nine BIP surveys back from the local OCS.

- DV Task Force – LeeShore chairs the monthly Task Force meetings. Trainings on various topics are provided as requested. Currently, Task Force meetings are held every other month.
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) – Victims whose past or current partners are participants of BIP are provided VCCB information during weekly safety check calls as requested. We also send an information packet to victims when their past or current partner enters the program, and if it is safe to do so, which includes information on VCCB.
- Behavioral Health – Representatives from Cottonwood Health Centers, Nakenu Family Center and private clinicians are invited to be part of the DV/SA Task Force. The BIP facilitator and co-facilitator communicate with Behavioral Health representatives on an as-needed basis. Nakenu Family Center returned six BIP surveys.
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs - as needed we communicate with other BIP's for compliance purposes.
- Other, explain – Some of the BIP participants are ordered to the program through the Adult Probation office. We maintain ongoing communication with Adult Probation regarding those participants for the duration of their classes. Adult Probation returned three BIP surveys.

SPHH (HOMER) - SOUTH PENINSULA HAVEN HOUSE

OVERVIEW

- SPHH had one client re-arrested. He was charged with a fourth degree felony assault with a fire arm.

SUCCESSSES

- Current clients have been using positive communication skills with their partner.

INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement - no problems noted. We continue to meet and communicate with local law enforcement officials regularly.
- Prosecutors - no problems noted. The DA is responsive and we have been working well with Victim Witness professionals at the DAs office.
- Court System - Monthly status hearings continue to occur smoothly; no problem noted.
- Medical - Haven House meets regularly with medical partners to ensure quality services to victims.
- Office of Children's Services (OCS) - Ongoing positive relationship. Communication and collaboration with OCS has gone smoothly and been productive for Haven House and clients.
- DV Task Force - For reasons of efficiency, this has been folded into the multiple disciplinary team meetings and these are held monthly.
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) – referrals made when appropriate, contact continues as needed to advocate for client.
- Behavioral Health - Ongoing positive relationship.
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs - regular communication as needed.

PRISON-BASED BATTERER'S INTERVENTION PROGRAMS (PBP)

2ND QUARTER - FY13
NARRATIVES



PRISON-BASED STATISTICS

2ND QUARTER OCTOBER 1- DECEMBER 31, 2012	AFS Palmer	AWARE Juneau	IAC Fairbanks	TOTAL
How many new participants were court-ordered into the program?	0	4	14	18
How many written intake assessments were completed?	8	4	20	32
How many participants were accepted into the program?	8	4	20	32
How many new victim safety checks were completed? (spoke directly with the victim)	1	2	18	21
How many safety checks were completed? (includes new and continuing victims)	1	8	31	40
How many participants completed the program during this quarter?	1	2	0	3
How many participants were non-compliant during this quarter?	0	0	1	1
How many participants were re-arrested for domestic violence during this quarter (defined as police arrest and charge of domestic violence)?	4	0	1	5
How many were repeat participants during this quarter (defined as someone who has attended intake and some or all of a program before and returned)?	2	1	5	8
How many participants are in continual contact with his partner (victim of the abuse)? (If the participant was counted as in continual contact with his partner during the previous quarter do not count again)	8	4	unknown	12
How many participants' partners (victims of the abuse) are receiving support services from a victim agency? (If the partner was counted as receiving services during the previous quarter do not count again)	0	0	18	18

AFS (PALMER) - ALASKA FAMILY SERVICES

OVERVIEW

Palmer Correctional Center (PCC) & Point Mackenzie Correctional Farm (PMC)

- The Family Violence Intervention Program (FVIP) was able to complete its move to the new office space which was next door from its former location. FVIP hired a new group facilitator to co-facilitate the BIP and PBP groups.

SUCCESSSES

- Intakes have remained steady and groups have exhibited a steady turnover as inmates are furloughed or transferred.
- We are tentatively scheduled to provide services to Palmer Correctional Center minimum security inmates in January 2013.
- We had one participant complete their court-ordered groups for this quarter.

INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement - We continue to get good follow through from the Alaska State Troopers, Palmer Police Department, and the Wasilla Police Department. We maintain contact with the local Alaska State Trooper officer assigned to DV follow-up who has been very helpful in working with our identified list of worst offenders.
- Prosecutors - We see ADA's at least monthly in court and maintain frequent phone contact regarding specific court cases and status hearings.
- Court System - We maintain contact with our Legal Advocate regarding court hearings and information. The FVIP staff attends monthly DVIP hearings and provides individual client statuses to the DA and the court. FVIP has scheduled to meet with our Judges in January.
- Medical - Public Health and the hospital were involved in monthly DV Task Force meetings and plan on continuing when the meeting resume in the 2nd quarter.
- Office of Children's Services (OCS) -We receive regular referrals and make assessments on OCS clients for placement in BIP and/or Anger Management classes. Referrals continue to be steady along with requests for reports, court testimony, and supporting documentation
- DV Task Force – We have held monthly meetings along with local law-enforcement, Alaska Legal Services, Mat-Su Public Health, The Children's Place and Victim Services. This quarter, the DV Task Force helped in DV Awareness Month activities and began looking at forming advisory man-

AFS (PALMER) - CONTINUED

agement team for administrative (not clinical) oversight for SART.

- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) – Information is offered to victims during safety checks.
- Behavioral Health - We have regular contact and collaboration with local mental health providers regarding coordination of services.
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs - We maintain regular contact with the local domestic violence shelter to coordinate services and provide victim safety checks. We have worked with other batterer intervention programs to coordinate the services of our clients.

AWARE (JUNEAU) - AIDING WOMEN IN ABUSE & RAPE EMERGENCIES

OVERVIEW

- JCAP continued to implement and monitor changes in our program. We rolled out the transition to a two-tiered system this fall, and continued to work through the screening process with current and new participants. Staff continued to work toward electronic conversion of most of our day-to-day records, with the goal of accessibility for our co-facilitator who is blind. AWARE and JCAP participated in the CDVSA On-Site Review this quarter.
- Learned that the Department of Corrections contract with prisons in Colorado is ending this fiscal year. Prisoners currently lodged in Colorado will be returning to Alaska, and the new Goose Creek Correctional Center will be opening shortly. Juneau's prison, Lemon Creek Correctional Center, is one of two maximum security facilities in Alaska, and as such, will be receiving many of the returning prisoners.

SUCCESSSES

- JCAP staff has found that the new screening process developed to assign participants to a particular tier (26 or 52 weeks) requires a more intensive screening process. Staff continue to require the same initial documentation (judgments, POs, police reports, etc), however, staff now also catalogs the participant's prior criminal history in a Case Sheet.
- Staff has limited dates and times for performing intakes and orientations, and structured appointments to allow for the additional processing time. Staff has also set firmer boundaries with participants, requiring them to sign releases prior to intake so that staff can have pertinent and complete information at intake. Participants are also required to bring a copy of their judgment and assessment paperwork to their initial intake meeting.

INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – N/A
- Prosecutors – As needed to discuss individual referrals, file affidavits of non-compliance, prepare testimony, etc.
- Court System – Collaboration with the courts re: planning for Success In & Out, project coordinator is Judge Keith Levy
- Medical – N/A
- Office of Children's Services (OCS) – N/A
- DV Task Force – N/A
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) – N/A
- Behavioral Health - Weekly meeting with Rose Piper at LCCC re: shared participants.

AWARE (JUNEAU) - CONTINUED

- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs –N/A
- Other, explain – Lemon Creek Correctional Center Probation Officers- JCAP staff meet weekly with parole officers regarding the status of participants currently enrolled in the program.
- Juneau continues to experience a housing shortage. National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence Juneau Director Katie Chapman invited JCAP staff to participate in a newly formed Prisoner Re-entry Coalition, aimed at safely re-integrating prisoners into the community via safe and decent housing options. The first meeting of the coalition is scheduled for January 2013.

IAC (FAIRBANKS) - INTERIOR ALASKA CENTER FOR NON-VIOLENT LIVING

OVERVIEW

- We have a high number of referrals. It appears that our District Attorney's office is now working to make sure that all domestic violence cases are being referred to the Alternatives to Violence (AV) Program.
- With the restart of the AV Program we are being consistent with intakes, orientations and classes.

SUCCESSSES

- Classes remain full with a waiting list.

INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – Through the CCR meetings
- Prosecutors - Through the CCR Meetings
- Court System – No direct interaction
- Medical - No interaction
- Office of Children's Services (OCS) - No interaction
- DV Task Force - Attended two meetings this quarter
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) - No direct interaction

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