



3rd Quarter Council Meeting

February 18-19,

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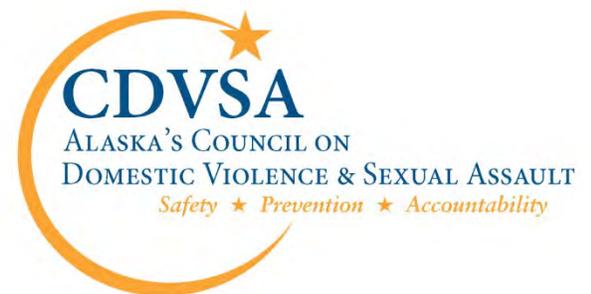
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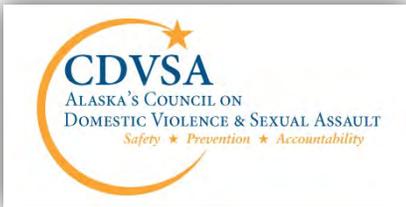
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DRAFT AGENDA

Wednesday, February 18, 2015

9:00 am	Call to Order-Roll Call, Agenda Review, Conflict Inquiry, Chair Comments	Richard Irwin
9:15 am	Minute Review: November 2014	Richard Irwin
9:30 am	Executive Director Report Financials	Lauree Morton
10:15 am	BREAK	
10:30 am	ANDVSA Report	Peggy Brown
11:00am	FY16-17 Pre-proposal teleconference and Working Lunch	
12:30pm	Break	
1:00 pm	Social Media Training	Susan Christianson
2:30 pm	BREAK	
2:40 pm	Strategic Plan Review: Perpetrator Accountability and Council Effectiveness Update on Batterer Intervention Program regs	Richard Irwin
3:40pm	Break	
3:45pm	Council Comments	Richard Irwin
4:30 pm	RECESS	

Agenda for Thursday, February 19, 2015

To Be Determined

**COUNCIL ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
AND SEXUAL ASSAULT
(CDVSA)**

**Quarterly Meeting
Westmark Hotel
330 Seward Street
Sitka, Alaska
November 20 - 21, 2014**

Committee Members Present

Richard Irwin – Chair
Rachel Gernat
Susan Cushing
Donna Erikson
Commissioner Gary Folger
Patricia Owen - telephonic
Rick Svobodny – telephonic
Ronald Taylor – telephonic

Guests

Vicki D'Amico
Sheldon Schmidt
Peggy Brown – telephonic

Staff

Lauree Morton
Angela Wells
Stephen Bower - telephonic

Minutes Prepared by: Sheila Garrant, Peninsula Reporting

Thursday, November 20, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Richard Irwin, the chair, called the meeting to order at 9:43 a.m., and roll call was taken.

AGENDA REVIEW

There were no issues brought forward regarding the agenda.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST INQUIRY

Richard Irwin called for any conflicts of interest of Council members present related to the agenda items. No conflicts of interest were reported.

CHAIR COMMENTS

Richard Irwin shared his thoughts regarding the word “ambassador” in relation to the Council. He asked the Council members to entertain the definition of ambassador as a liaison, a diplomat, a peacemaker; and in the context of the Council, the responsibility of being an ambassador falls to each member to represent not only their areas of expertise, but to be knowledgeable and aware of the policies and customs related to all of the issues in order to align themselves with other ambassadors to establish policy, working in unity towards a common vision and goal with the idea of leaving a legacy of positive change as their mark as a good steward.

Richard recommended that CDVSA staff develop a brochure that talks about the great things that have happened through the CDVSA efforts that each Council member, as ambassadors, could carry with them to be able to take deliberate advantage of opportunities to talk about the efforts that CDVSA is involved in. He expressed his gratitude to the Council members representing all the different disciplines and to the public members who make the sacrifice to assist with the cause.

MINUTES REVIEW

With regards to the meeting minutes, the Council made the following recommendations:

- Add a designation for Council members, staff, and guests who attend telephonically.
- Add a line item on future meeting agendas for miscellaneous and housekeeping items.

May 7-8, 2014

Rachel Gernat **MOVED** to approve the amended minutes of the 4th quarter FY14 meeting held May 7 – 8, 2014. The motion was **SECONDED** by Donna Erikson. Hearing no objection, the motion **PASSED. (8/0)**

July 23 - 24, 2014

Tabled.

August 15, 2014

Susan Cushing **MOVED** to approve the amended minutes of the 1st quarter FY15 budget meeting held August 15, 2014. The motion was **SECONDED** by Rachel Gernat. Hearing no objection, the motion **PASSED. (8/0)**

October 9, 2014

Tabled.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Lauree Morton reported that with regards to the Kids Club Moms Empowerment update, six programs were able to send representatives to the September training. Work is

being done with Dr. Graham-Bermann to establish core evaluation measures that meet the basic requirements to be able to include the pilot into her overall work, yet ensuring that the evaluation questions are pertinent and not invasive. There will be an evaluation of the pilot programs, and they will be developing a cost per 10-week session, which is expected to be completed in January. That information will be used to estimate how many sessions can be afforded and how many sites will be able to have the pilot program. Letters of inquiry will be distributed with the intention of starting the first 10-week session in February.

Lauree Morton shared the news that she and Richard Irwin have been invited to prepare a side and parallel event in conjunction with the United Nation's Conference on Beijing Plus 20. The event is scheduled for the second week of December in New York where Lauree Morton and Richard Irwin will join Reverend Smalley and others in planning the event. The Beijing Plus 20 is scheduled for some time in March. She noted that they are also coordinating with the Botswana Embassy, who had a similar event that engaged men in working on violence against woman, and they will be meeting with the ambassador from Botswana at the December planning event. Richard Irwin commented that he believes it's critical that the faith-based component is being added to and invited to the table at these types of events.

Lauree Morton reported that with regards to the Batters Intervention Program (BIP) regulations, they've been given the green light to move forward. A meeting is scheduled next week to finalize the draft to send to the attorney for the Department of Public Safety (DPS) and attorney for the Department of Corrections (DOC). After it is reviewed by DPS and DOC, it will be sent to the Department of Law (DOL) for their regulations attorney review, and then they will begin the public comment process.

Lauree Morton reported that with regards to Girls on the Run (GOTR), she expressed kudos to AWARE for agreeing to apply to be the statewide Council for GOTR, and their application was accepted. AWARE is going to be the GOTR coordinator for all the communities outside of Anchorage.

Lauree Morton directed the members' attention to the 4th quarter report for FY14 and the 1st quarter reports for FY15, which could be found in the board packet. She noted that the corrected pages for Alaska Family Services (AFS) Community-Based BIPs are available. Lauree Morton stated that Stephen Bower met with the AFS program staff and other members of the community, and anticipates returning to do a complete on-site visit. Lauree noted that AFS is being funded on a reimbursement basis, and the site visits are the beginning of the Council's scrutiny of AFS. Rachel commented that she would like to see the lack of community involvement addressed, and Lauree Morton responded that part of the on-site process is holding meetings with community stakeholders and asking about their interactions with the program; asking what they perceive to be strengths, needs, or gaps; and asking what the Council can do to be supportive. Lauree anticipates that the opportunity to talk to community stakeholders will bring forward concerns that will shed light on the lack of community involvement. They will also be meeting with the AFS board to ask questions about the program. Rachel asked to be informed when those meetings will take place.

Lauree Morton highlighted the following information from the quarterly reports:

- AWARE and SAVE are creating a Boys Run program, similar to GOTR, engaging boys awareness of healthy relationships, positive interactions, and physical activities.
- AWIC's community involvement included meeting with the Barrow High school football team at their pregame banquet, and they spoke about healthy relationships.
- IAC in Fairbanks has two new permanent supportive housing programs that have a combined total of 16 new units, which is great considering Fairbanks' housing shortage.
- KWRCC noted that they hired an advocate to work directly in Old Harbor, one of the prevention communities in Kodiak.
- Lee Shore Center in Kenai was able to present information at two schools that they had not had access to previously.
- SAFE in Dillingham has made progress with their VAWGO Rural DV grant, and they have moved to a larger two-bedroom apartment to house the Baywest Shelter in King Salmon.

Lauree Morton commented that throughout all the reports there were a lot of positive, successful interactions with program participants. There were several different occasions where someone came to a program with specific needs, and through the efforts of everyone involved, they are living violence-free lives and moving forward.

FINANCIALS

Lauree Morton handed out an update on federal grants and spending. Overall, they are on pace with the spending within all of the state and federal funds. She noted that if Council members were interested in seeing how they track what goes out to the programs, she can send that information to them electronically.

With regards to the federal plans, Lauree Morton reported that they are in good shape for that spending. There will be further discussion under the STOP FFY14 agenda item on what the ability is to fund necessary services this year when they receive the FFY14 award this year.

With regards to funding for FY16, there is a statutory requirement that the draft Governor's budget be released by December 15th, so on that day they will know what got put into the Governor's budget as far as the requested increments. There have been indications from the administration coming in that they will submit the budget on December 15th.

Lauree Morton introduced the new CDVSA website. She highlighted that they will be able to track visitors to the site and where they navigated to on the site, which will be good data to have to see what links are most helpful to people visiting the site. She pointed out that quarterly meeting packets will be available on the website, along with meeting minutes and meeting schedules. Lauree Morton noted that the staff will be sending a short questionnaire to Council members regarding their representation on the

board and what their focus is, and that would be included on the website so people could get a sense for whom the board is comprised of. Richard Irwin recommended picking an area to celebrate victories with regards to DVSA, highlighting the great things that are happening in the different regions with program successes. Lauree Morton suggested that it may be of interest to the Council members to have some social media training to prepare them for interacting with reporters and the general public.

Lauree Morton also called the Council members' attention to the FY15 first quarter outcome measures reports, which could be found in the board packet. The reports show the survey outcome measures and the behavior health outcomes measures.

ANDVSA REPORT

Peggy Brown, the director for the Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault reported that on October 13th through the 15th, they had their annual fall network meeting of the full membership. Members of the National Domestic Violence and Mental Health Trauma Center held a one-day discussion on the importance of being a trauma-informed organization. An ad hoc committee was formed, and they will focus their discussion on the possibility of using a small percentage of CDVSA funds to do trauma-informed activities for staff. There was also discussion regarding the grant cycles, and overwhelmingly they preferred a two-year grant cycle and a program evaluation committee (PEC) process where there was time at the end for the programs to provide clarification or brief comments.

Peggy Brown reported that overall the struggles statewide include:

- AWARE reported shelter night increase, which impacted staff.
- MFCC saw a spike in DVSA around PFD time.
- AWIC noted that their shelter is at full capacity, and their clients are staying longer.
- BSWG received the deferred maintenance report from the Foraker Group that stated that their shelter needs a lot of work. The recommendation was that they get rid of the building and build a new one.
- Two of the new program directors attended an executive director orientation in Juneau, and they also met with Network staff and Council staff, and toured the AWARE shelter.
- AWAKE reports that their shelter is seeing high numbers. They are a 52-bed facility, and their numbers have been in the high 60s. They have had incidences of threats to the shelter.
- SAFE reported seeing more individuals seeking prevention services and more individuals presenting with higher levels of trauma.
- SEAVIEW noted that they were disappointed that their hospital didn't want to participate in SART, even though they had a team ready to go except for a medical professional.
- The shelter in Homer reported they were full and over capacity, and their CAC numbers are approximately 20 percent more than last year.
- Valdez commented they had a 20 percent increase in services over last year, with more children, and a 30 percent increase of new clients in their first quarter.

- STAR reported safety issues with a staff person being assaulted.

Peggy Brown gave an update on the DVSA deferred maintenance project, which is a project funded with capital money from the legislature, the Governor, and Rasmuson. The Foraker Group will be finalizing the report of their assessments of the shelter programs, and the next step is a review by the executive committee, which will make recommendations for funding priority needs. The final reports are due in January 2015.

Peggy Brown gave an update on the Empowering Choices Housing Program. Earlier this fall Peggy was invited to attend the Vice President's 20th Anniversary Celebration in D.C., and the Empowering Choices Housing Program was highlighted as an innovative program. In other recent news, according to AHFC, more than 470 Alaskans have benefitted from the program, 72 percent of which were woman who were heads of household with children. She noted that that program is doing what they had hoped it would do.

Peggy Brown reported that they recently engaged in a MOU with the University of Alaska system that outlines collaborative strategies to address sexual assault and dating violence on college campuses. That work group is scheduled to meet in December to start looking at those strategies, and they will be looking to bring in a new researcher at UAA to help evaluate the strategies that they implement.

Peggy Brown reported that they have been working with the Division of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) on crafting a template for programs to engage in MOUs with DJJ facilities around the Prison Rape Elimination Act requirements and standards, but they have encountered a barrier to doing that statewide due to the statutes around parental consent. They decided instead to continue to work with DJJ to provide guidelines for each individual program that works with their DJJ facilities.

Peggy Brown stated that they conducted a candidate survey for contested races only to educate the voting public about candidate's views regarding domestic violence and sexual assault. They were asked two questions:

- How would they address the disproportionately high rates of violence against Native women?
- How would they prioritize the following focus areas: sexual assault in the military, prevention in schools and communities, funding shelter programs, sex trafficking, violence against Native women, engaging men in ending violence?

Peggy noted the top three out of 47 responses:

- Funding of shelter programs
- Engaging men in ending violence
- Prevention in schools and communities.

Peggy Brown reported that the Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence has a special OVW advocacy assessment tool. Essentially the tool works together with law enforcement in order to reach more victims of lethal situations. Kenai, Homer, Seward,

Cordova, and Valdez have assembled a team of advocates and local law enforcement together to form a team that an OVW/TA provider is going to train.

Peggy Brown reported that Katy Ruff Soden, the ANDVSA staff attorney in Anchorage, got her second win before the Alaska Supreme Court. Peggy noted that Lori Grassgreen, the prevention director, is leaving the Network and moving on to the Alaska Association of School Boards. Kami Moore will be taking over as the new prevention director.

Peggy Brown reported on training activities as follows:

- In September, the National Domestic Violence Hotline came to Alaska to do a training. There were approximately 14 programs that attend the training, and they gave it very positive reviews.
- Lead-On was held November 1st - 3rd, and Peggy commented that they received the highest number of applications ever, and had approximately 100 to 110 youths that attended.
- In December they are having an in-person legal advocacy training. The focus this year is on strengthening relationships with justice agencies and tribes, and a piece on wellness with Dr. Linda Chamberlain.
- The next online DVSA advocacy course is scheduled for January 13th through February 18th. Since October of 2013, they've had 121 people complete the online course.
- February 9th – 11th they are going to hold in-person advanced sexual assault advocacy training, which will include the national partner, the Resource Sharing Project, who will be coming in to do training.

Peggy Brown reported that they have also been working on the COMPASS project, which is a guide for men to be trained as mentors. They had their first two pilot trainings in Ketchikan and Anchorage where they had 16 men attend the training. They have had 30 applicants for the training from a variety of communities, and the Division of Juvenile Justice has also expressed interest in a conference training for all of their youth detention facilities, so the Network will look to piloting that training at one or two facilities next year.

Peggy Brown noted that Partnering with Parents completed a phone survey of approximately 600 parents from rural and urban areas to learn about their preference on communication, dating, and other topics. They also completed ten focus groups with parents and two focus groups with youths. Since then, they have distributed about 2,400 sets of the Talk Now Talk Often cards to parents, foster parents, health professionals, nurses, and Public Health.

Peggy Brown stated that WAVE from Prince of Wales Island has demonstrated interest in becoming a full voting member of the Network, so they are in the process of working that through the membership, and it is highly likely that they will become a member.

Peggy Brown reported that they've have had serious concerns with OVW around the STOP grant and their discussion and/or requirements on how they expect the Council to

work with tribes in consultation. Peggy reported that she met with OVW when she was in Washington, noting that perhaps the coalition could provide some insight between the State, the Council, and OVW around why their requirements for Alaska were so stringent on consultation. OVW specifically wanted Alaska to consult with every single tribe in a meaningful way, and it was apparent that Lauree Morton had done that perhaps better than it has ever been done as a state administration and as a coalition, but apparently, that wasn't sufficient enough for OVW. Peggy stated that she is exceedingly disappointed that OVW won't let Alaska do what they said they would be doing, because what Alaska is doing in their consultation with tribal groups is very meaningful and real, that Alaska actually goes beyond due diligence, and yet it doesn't seem to meet OVW's requirements. Peggy also asked them if they perhaps wanted to look at how they define consultation with tribes, and either put in an exception or a definition that accommodates real and meaningful consultation, and not insult tribes by sending something out and saying, "You have until this time to comment, or we'll just consider that you don't care about the issue." Peggy noted that Alaska, in fact, knows tribes in villages care deeply about the issues, and the Council has done a lot of work to try and get their input.

SITKANS AGAINST FAMILY VIOLENCE

The Council members recessed from the board meeting to meet with Vicki D'Amico, director of the Sitkans Against Family Violence (SAFV) program.

MEET A STAFF MEMBER: STEPHEN BOWER

Richard Irwin introduced Stephen Bower, the newest staff member at CDVSA. Stephen stated that he was looking forward to the opportunity to serve the Council. He gave the Council members a snapshot of his personal, educational, and professional life. He has been hired as a program coordinator, and will be working to coordinate service provisions in the Victim Service Providers and BIP programs. He will also be working with the Victims of Crime Act grants and looking at some of the federal competitive grants. He will be working with the batterer intervention programs as they get current regulations and implement them to help them look at what the next phase of work is going to be.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Richard Irwin opened the floor to Council members for comment.

Susan Cushing explained that her activities over the past few months were different from what she had been doing for the last 12 years, which was working with Social Services. Susan shared that she had been invited to participate in an art show at the Pratt Museum for woman who had been involved in the art culture in Homer 30 years ago. She used her little sister from the Big Brother Big Sister Program, who she's been with for eight years, as her subject of her submission, and she shared a poem she wrote to go along with the painting she did.

Rachel Gernat commented that she noticed while reading through the program reports that two of the service provider agencies reported the woman that they had success with all noted that they had been seeing them since they were children, so they had

come in as children living in a home with violence, ended up as victims as adults, and now have moved on to be survivors. Rachel noted that if they look at the outcome measures for both the quarters, the lowest percentages were in the child area. CDVSA would be remiss not to start including children in the prevention focus.

Patty Owen commented that they held their School Health and Wellness Institute and had approximately 180 participants from 20 school districts from around the state. Patty noted that the Department of Education received a grant that is intended for mental health services in schools, and three districts around the state, Anchorage, Kenai, and Mat-Su will primarily serve the children who are older, but they are higher risk possibly from their adverse childhood experiences. Patty reported that she and Ann Rausch conducted a domestic violence sexual assault training for education specialists around school health education and personal safety education in schools, and they also did a presentation on that at the School Health and Wellness Institute. She also noted that there is a press release on the 4th R evaluation, and Lauree Morton stated that it would not be publically released until January. Patty noted that she and Ann Rausch will be working on personal safety education guidelines for schools, looking towards Erin's Law being introduced again. Patty stated that the Fairbanks School District just adopted an Erin's Law type policy for their school districts.

Richard Irwin commented that he appreciated all that were able to come to the table to be able to help move initiatives forward and to see transformation take place in the state of Alaska. He expressed his appreciation to those who participated in op-eds for publications related to DVSA. He reported on the activities of the Shepard's Care Forum, which is to bring clergy together who would not normally be gathered together and instruct them, educate them, and train them about DVSA and about how to help people who come to them looking for help, whether they are part of their congregation or not. The last gathering was at the crime lab, and that was at capacity with a waiting list, and the outcome reports were very positive. Richard reported that recently they were gifted with a lady who was finishing her doctorate in occupations therapy and was doing her thesis related to DVSA, and so they've given her the task of putting together a toolkit comprised of all of the resources that are available from both the public and the faith-based sectors to be able to present to clergy so they will have the knowledge of the resources available. The toolkit is expected to be done by January, if not before. The next Shepard's Care Forum is scheduled for January 23rd in Anchorage, and it will be focused on sex trafficking. Richard expressed his appreciation to Ron Taylor for inviting him to the reentry program layout at DOC last week, and he thanked Ron for all the effort that he and the department have put into building an effective reentry program.

Donna Erikson commented that she liked the way Stephen Bower shared from his heart, which tied into Richard's words about ambassadors. Donna expressed her appreciation for Vicki D'Amico's passion and the statement she made, "We've been doing this for so many years, and we've just found the key that we need to change the victim's way of thinking so that they don't come back and come back. It's all about changing their way of thinking."

STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW: CRISIS MANAGEMENT

Lauree Morton directed the Council members' attention to the Strategic Plan, which could be found in the board packet. At the last meeting, the Council had asked Patty Owen and Rachel Gernat to draft a recommendation for rewording the definition of prevention, and they also amended the mission statement. The recommended revised mission statement was read by Lauree Morton.

Donna Erikson **MOVED** to accept the revised mission statement. The motion was **SECONDED** by Commissioner Folger. A roll call vote was taken and the motion **PASSED. (8/0)**

After a brief discussion related to the recommended revised prevention definition, the definition was amended to read:

What is Prevention?

Prevention works to proactively modify or entirely eliminate events, conditions, or exposure to risk factors that can result in or cause violence to reoccur.

Prevention of interpersonal violence is a systematic process that promotes healthy environments and behaviors. Short-term needs are acute and literally affect life and safety; however, successful prevention is cost effective in the long term.

Ron Taylor **MOVED** to accept the definition as amended. The motion was **SECONDED** by Rachel Gernat. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion **PASSED. (8/0)**

After a brief discussion related to the crisis management and invention definitions, the definitions were amended to read:

What is crisis management?

Crisis management is the immediate and short-term response to domestic violence and sexual assault. Crisis management addresses the immediate issues of safety and support services.

What is intervention?

Intervention is the long-term response after domestic violence and sexual assault has occurred, following the immediate crisis management response. Intervention addresses the long-term consequences of such violence.

Donna Erikson **MOVED** to accept the amended definitions of crisis management and intervention in the strategic plan. The motion was **SECONDED** by Susan Cushing. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion **PASSED. (8/0)**

With respect to the review of the strategic plan, crisis management and intervention goals 3, 4, and 5 and the objectives for each, the following recommendations were made:

- **Title page:** Incorporate "Alaska" into the logo.

- **Page 4: Goal 3, Objective 3A**
Change: Determine the operational costs to provide comprehensive domestic violence and sexual assault victim services, including shelter.
- **Page 4: Goal 3, Objective 3D**
Change: Initiate immediate law enforcement response.
- **Page 4: Goal 3, Objective 3E**
Change: Improve the ability of the justice system to enhance victim safety through appropriate sanctions, orders, and judgments.
- **Page 4: Goal 3, Objective 3G**
Change: Increase access to legal resources for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault who are involved in the civil and criminal justice systems.
- **Page 5: Goal 4**
Change: Enhance the understanding of the prevalence and impact of domestic violence and sexual assault in the state of Alaska.
- **Page 5: Goal 4, Objective 4A**
Change: Build public awareness and support for crisis management and intervention services.
- **Page 5: Goal 5 and Goal 5, Objective 5A**
Change: Delete.

The review was tabled, and Lauree Morton will provide the Council members with a draft of the changes.

SITKA'S COMPREHENSIVE PREVENTION PLAN

Lauree Morton stated that the Council members are scheduled to reconvene at 7:00 p.m. to meet with Sitka's Pathway to Prevention Committee, who will give a presentation of the prevention work they have been doing.

RECESS

The meeting recessed at 4:07 p.m.

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Guests

Pat Sidmore
Shirley Pittz
Mandy Cole O'Neal
Katie TePas
Peggy Brown – telephonic
Carole Warshaw – telephonic
Patti Bland – telephonic

Staff

Lauree Morton
Angela Wells
Stephen Bower – telephonic
Ann Rausch – telephonic
Dianne Lanuza – telephonic
Freda Westman – telephonic

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Friday, November 21, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Richard Irwin, the chair, called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m., and roll call was taken.

AGENDA REVIEW

Rachel Gernat requested that a miscellaneous items discussion be added to the agenda. Richard Irwin suggested either just before noon or at 3:45. Rachel Gernat asked for a short break before 11:00 a.m. to check out.

STOP FFY14

Lauree Morton directed the Council members' attention to the STOP brief and the draft federal FY2014 STOP consultation work plan and timeline, which could be found in the board packet. With regards to the work plan and timeline, Lauree Morton reported that it is an aggressive, yet reasonable timeline in which to complete the necessary requirements by May 30th.

After a discussion regarding the planned activities, Council members had the following questions/comments:

Q: Will there be an opportunity for tribal representatives who want to attend the meeting in person to do so?

A: That is doable, yes.

Q: Has the plan been approved by OVW?

A: The understanding is that they will accept it.

Q: Is there accountability for attendance?

A: There will be a list of tribes that have been invited and a list of tribes that participated, and there's a requirement that the representatives of the tribes sign off on attendance pages.

Q: Is there a minimum acceptable percentage of participation?

A: There is no known written policy of acceptable participation percentage.

Q: Is this part of the coordinating with tribal organizations?

A: Yes.

Q: What representatives of the tribes would be contacted?

A: OVW is expecting this to be addressed to the tribal leader.

Q: What does OVW require from California with regards to consultation with their tribes?

A: California has a different accepted proposal than Alaska.

Q: Would it be prudent to contact congressional leaders to get some assistance with relief on the expectations of OVW?

A: It may be, and the board would have to direct CDVSA staff to do so.

Q: Will further action by engaging the congressional delegation bring harm?

A: Not known.

Q: What percentage of Alaska Native tribes use the grants that are offered, and how much do they know about the STOP grant?

A: OVW historically had a separate set-aside for grants. The U.S. Department of Justice collapsed their independent tribal set-asides into one tribal grant with one comprehensive application for funding for services. Now there's a comprehensive

grant application process where tribes have to enumerate what the funds would be used for. Don't know the percentage.

Q: Who complained to OVW to set Alaska apart from everyone else?

A: In the National Women's Indigenous Women's Resource Center newsletter, it was stated that the executive director of the Yupik Women's Coalition did complain to OVW about the lack of tribal consultation particular to STOP. Further, there was an OVW consultation this fall during which there were also complaints made. When CDVSA was in a teleconference with OVW asking CDVSA for the timeline prior to this letter coming out, the leadership was asked how OVW was going to inform CVDSA about the complaints so that CDVSA would have an opportunity to respond. OVW did not provide a forum or explanation of how they would do that, which was unfortunate, because if CVDSA isn't aware of the concerns, it would make it difficult to address the concerns. CDVSA let OVW know that the Council office has not been contacted from anywhere about this concern. Lauree Morton has formally asked for a process for OVW to let CVDSA know so they have an opportunity to clarify, and no such process has been afforded.

Comments from the Council members included that stylistically the timeline was difficult to read. There were concerns about timeline and a suggestion for a shorter or compressed timeline to allow for leeway for unforeseen issues with OVW. It was suggested that the current draft timeline be submitted, but an effort be made to prioritizing a compressed timeline possibly by half.

Rachel Gernat **MOVED** to accept the draft FFY2014 STOP consultation work plan with the amendment to invite many of the tribes to appear in person as well as telephonically if so requested, and to adopt the CDVSA draft timeline that would go with the consultation work plan as drafted by Lauree Morton with the caveat that the time management within the time frame will ultimately be left up to Lauree Morton, given her other duties that must be done within certain time limits as well. Rick Svobodny **SECONDED** the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion **PASSED. (8/0)**

Rick Svobodny recommended contacting Alaska's congressional delegation to address the equity of the OVW requirements. The Council members were in agreement with that recommendation and directed the staff to do so.

Donna Erikson stated that AFN meets each year in October, and that may be a good place to contact the tribal leaders. Donna stated that she would be willing to help Lauree Morton with that contact. Lauree Morton noted that representatives from AFN were invited to participate in planning and did not do so, but she would welcome Donna's assistance with communications with AFN.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mandy Cole, from AWARE's Juneau Choice and Accountability Program, which is a batterer's intervention program, shared the program data from FY12 through FY15. She noted that the number of men they are working with has quadrupled in the past few years. One reason this has become such an issue at this point is they now have three groups, one in the prison and two in the community, and they have started running a

waitlist last spring, which presents problems for the program. They plan to open a fourth group in December with no funds to do so. In order to run the program, they need at least two people. They are continuing to look for new funding strategies, but they wanted to bring this to the attention of the Council, because the predicament the program is in relates to responding to the community, which is an important piece of the program. She wanted the board to see how many people the program has been serving and how well the program has been received to give the board members a sense of why they are continuing to seek a permanent and predictable funding strategy.

Mandy Cole fielded questions from the Council members regarding the data, and summarized that they have had six people complete the program in the last six months. The groups are either 26 or 52 weeks, which makes it difficult for participants to comply, so it takes a long time for people to get through the program. In terms of success, the program is beginning to hit its stride, because they are working hard to keep participants in the program with extra support.

NATIONAL CENTER ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, TRAUMA, AND MENTAL HEALTH

Carol Warshaw and Patti Bland, from the National Technical Resource Center, which is supported by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Administration on Children, Youth, and Families Violence Prevention Services Program, stated that their mission is to improve program and system capacities to serve domestic violence survivors and their children who are experiencing childhood mental and substance abuse-related needs and to develop culturally relevant approaches to domestic violence and other trauma across their life span. A lot of their work is done around training, technical assistance consultations, developing materials, producing webinars, and writing chapters and manuals to build the capacity of programs. A lot of their work is with state coalitions by supporting their capacity to be able to support local programs. They also work very closely with the culturally specific resource centers.

Carol Warshaw gave a brief history of the evolution and the scope of the mission, and outlined the challenges and barriers that they needed to overcome with regards to domestic violence, safety and advocacy needs, and mental health issues. She stated that they are currently working on developing culturally relevant trauma-informed outcome measures based on what survivors report are the most meaningful outcomes for them, and also supporting research to develop a trauma-informed practice measure so that survivors can evaluate whether a program is trauma informed. The other piece of research she highlighted was a survey of over 2,700 woman that was done by the National Domestic Violence Hotline called Mental Health and Substance Use Coercion Survey. Carol noted that what they found was 86 percent said that their partner had called them crazy or accused them of being crazy, 74 percent said that their partner deliberately did things to make them feel like they were going crazy or losing their minds, about 53 percent said they never sought help for feeling upset or depressed, and 50 percent said that their partner had tried to interfere with their treatment.

Patti Bland spoke with regards to the substance abuse coercion survey, and she highlighted the following data related to substance abuse:

- 3,224 survivors were surveyed.

- 27 percent reported to having been pressured or forced to use alcohol or other drugs or made to use more substance than they wanted in the context of a domestic violence relationship.
- 37.5 percent had been told that their abusive partner was going to report them or threatened to report alcohol or drug use to someone in authority to undermine them.
- 24.4 percent had been told that if the police were called, the offender would say any drug paraphernalia belonged to the victim.
- 26 percent were using substances to reduce pain and shame and sorrow from how the partner was abusing them.
- 15 percent had tried to get help for their substances, but the offender actively undermined them and/or prevented them from getting help and/or discouraged them from getting help.

Carole Warshaw stated the survey is an example of the kind of research that reflects what is important to survivors, advocates, and programs in ways that have implications for real practice. The heart of the work they are doing with Alaska is around the training and technical assistance for capacity building. Alaska has a more intensive focus with an overall project focus that involves an annual site visit, quarterly TA calls, provision of materials and resources, doing baseline needs assessments, and assisting with long-term evaluations of outcomes, developing new measures with the overall goal of supporting programs, infusing an accessible culture of a trauma-informed approach to the work, and supporting collaboration with the partners around mental health and substance abuse in particular.

MINUTES REVIEW, CONTINUED

July 23 - 24, 2014

Susan Cushing **MOVED** to approve the amended minutes of the 1st quarter FY15 meeting held July 23 – 24, 2014. The motion was **SECONDED** by Ronald Taylor. Hearing no objection, the motion **PASSED. (8/0)**

October 9, 2014

Rachel Gernat **MOVED** to approve the minutes of the October 9, 2014 Special Meeting as presented. The motion was **SECONDED** by Commissioner Folger. Hearing no objections, the motion **PASSED. (8/0)**

STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW CONTINUED

The Council members reviewed the draft changes to the strategic plan. Donna Erikson **MOVED** to adopt the revisions to the crisis management and intervention section of the strategic plan as amended. Susan Cushing **SECONDED** the motion. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion **PASSED. (8/0)**

FY 16 – 17 GRANT CYCLE

Lauree Morton directed the Council members' attention to the draft FY16-17 grant cycle information, which could be found in the board packet. She stated that the action required was to direct staff to prepare the requests for proposals and to set up the method and mechanism for review and award of the grants. She reviewed the way the

grants have been currently structured and the decision making process has been carried out, and the reason for moving to a proposal evaluation committee (PEC) process, and also the staff recommendations.

Susan Cushing recommended accepting the draft FY16-17 grant cycle recommendations as written. The Council members unanimously agreed to direct the staff to prepare the requests for proposals as outlined in the proposed draft grant cycle.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Folger **MOVED** to go into executive session to discuss matters that affect the financial integrity of the organization. The motion was seconded by Rachel Gernat. A roll call vote was taken and the motion **PASSED. (6/0)**

The Council resumed regular session, and Rachel Gernat called for a motion. Susan Cushing **MOVED** that regarding the Maniilaq Family Crisis Center, the Council continues to reimburse the program on a monthly basis with the grant being extended until June 30, 2015, and an onsite visit will take place before February 20 – 21, 2015 when the Council has its meeting in Juneau. Travel to Kotzebue will consist of a consultant, Commissioner Folger, public member Donna Erikson, Department of Law representative Rick Svobodny, public member Rachel Gernat, and executive director Lauree Morton. The motion was **SECONDED** by Commissioner Folger. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion **PASSED. (5/0)**

Susan Cushing **MOVED** that the amount of money, \$150,000, be released to other programs based on a letter of interest on a one-time basis. The motion was **SECONDED** by Donna Erikson. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion **PASSED. (5/0)**

PREVENTION UPDATE

The prevention update was tabled.

ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES, (ACEs) – ALASKA DATA

Pat Sidmore, a planner with the Alaska Mental Health Board and Advisory Board on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, gave a PowerPoint presentation to the Council members demonstrating the data gathered from the 2013 survey regarding adverse childhood experiences in Alaska.

ALASKA EARLY CHILDHOOD COORDINATION COUNCIL

Shirley Pittz reported that the Alaska Early Childhood Coordination Council was created in 2010 by an administrative order from Governor Parnell. The Council's purpose is positive outcomes for young children and trying to coordinate the systems and integrate processes to improve services for young children. She reported that the scope of the purpose reaches across the areas of health, mental health, education, and family supports. The board is comprised of approximately 23 members, both public and private.

Shirley Pittz shared a presentation of a brief synopsis of children's brain development and why early childhood is such a critical period and the data related to the issues that children are dealing with.

Shirley Pittz highlighted the following risk data:

- 41 percent of the children under the age of 6 live in a family below the federal poverty level.
- Young children are more likely to be the victims of maltreatment. Half of the children with a substantiated report of harm are age birth to 5, and the same group is over represented in foster care, and they stay longer and have more placements.
- Maternal depression is a risk factor for children.
- Significant and frequent household changes are risk factors for young children.

The Alaska Early Childhood Coordination Council developed eight recommendations:

- Expand early childhood services.
- Increase wages for childcare givers.
- Implement a quality rating system.
- Early learning guidelines information.
- Strengthen families and supports.
- Strengthen local partnerships.
- Strengthen Well Child exams.
- Age-appropriate services, physical, emotional, and behavioral health.

The Council has ongoing projects that are focused on raising the skill level and expertise of people around early childhood mental health, observations for childcare centers and preschool programs to assist them to become developmentally appropriate. They are pulling together all of the Head Start mental health consultants and setting up infrastructure to pull those people together for a partnership. Shirley noted that the projects are designed to reach out to young children and their families.

Shirely Pittz noted that Strengthening Families received consistent funding this year. She thanked CDVSA, and noted that they will be broadening their efforts to rural areas.

COUNCIL COMMENTS/ASSIGNMENTS

Rachel Gernat went through the items of housekeeping as follows:

In May Ron Taylor was asked to research the possibility of contracting a roving therapist for sex offenders in rural sites. Ron noted that he contacted Ed Webster, the sex offender program manager, who has been doing research on it. Ron stated that in the past, they tried to establish a rural sex offender program that allowed a therapist to go to Bethel for a few days and then go to other sites, but nobody took the RFP when it was put out in Bethel.

In May there was a request made for the stakeholders of Erin's Law to make a presentation at a future Council meeting. Lauree Morton stated the timing couldn't be worked out, but they will continue to work on it as a possibility for the Juneau meeting.

Rachel Gernat requested an update on a plan to have a presentation related to the information John Skidmore presented regarding a program in Anchorage that captured conditions of release for offenders for a database. Lauree Morton reported that they have not provided a white paper or time to come and present to the Council.

With regards to the request on an update regarding sex trafficking on a future agenda, and educating legislators as a year-round activity to increase their awareness of CDVSA issues and activities, Lauree Morton reported that the legislative activity is planned for the agenda at the February meeting in Juneau.

In August Rick Svobodny had recommended a study of the efficacy of the BIP and a copy of the screening criteria. Lauree Morton stated that the screening criteria had been provided.

In Susan Cushing's addendum letter attached to the May meeting minutes, she asked if the Council should address the National Guard scandal. Richard Irwin reported that he is planning to have a conversation with new administration's leadership about some things that need to change as it relates to the Council, for example, that the Council is apprised of things upfront so that if they are brought into an issue related to CDVSA specifically, they would have knowledge of the issue. The Council members had a brief discussion regarding the Council, as a sitting body, being informed with regards to "hot topics" that have a bearing on the work they do, and how to improve the communication with the board members on those issues so they are prepared to answer possible inquiries from the public on the Council's involvement or awareness.

Rachel Gernat would like a tour of AWARE while in Juneau, and Lauree Morton will work on arranging a tour for Rachel.

Rachel Gernat pointed out that in the July meeting minutes on page 17, there is a list of comments on topics and things that individual Council members had brought up as agenda items that they want more information about. Lauree Morton noted that as board members become more comfortable with the work the Council does, it is becoming apparent that they are going need to either to restrict what their areas of interest are or add time to meetings. Ron Taylor noted that if they choose to increase the number of meetings, the Council needs to have some flexibility for attendance. Council members suggested more teleconference meetings, and Lauree Morton stated that they will look at the agenda items and sort out what could be done in a teleconference and what needs to be done at an in-person meeting.

Commission Folger commented that with the changes in administration, he isn't sure he will continue to be on the board, so he wanted to say that the cause of the Council is good, and he is thankful to have been part of it.

ADJOURNMENT

Donna Erikson **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Rachel Gernat. Hearing no objection, the motion **PASSED**. The meeting concluded at 4:45 p.m.

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INDEX OF ACRONYMS

AAVP	Anchorage Alliance for Violence Prevention
AFS	Family Services – Palmer
AHFC	Alaska Housing Finance Corporation
AJP	Alaska Justice Project
ANDVSA	Alaska Network on Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault
APD	Anchorage Police Department
AST	Alaska State Troopers
AVV	Advocates for Victims of Violence - Valdez
AWAIC	Abused Women's Aid in Crisis - Anchorage
AWARE	Aiding Women in Abuse and Rape Emergencies - Juneau
AWIC	Arctic Women in Crisis - Barrow
BIP	Batterer Intervention Program
BSWG	Bering Sea Women's Group - Nome
CBIM	Coaching Boys Into Men
CDVSA	Council on Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault
CFRC	Cordova Family Resource Center - Cordova
CUBS	Childhood Understanding Behaviors Study
DBH	Division of Behavioral Health
DHSS	Department of Health & Human Services
DOC	Department of Corrections
DOJ	Department of Justice
DOL	Department of Law
FVPSA	Family Violence Prevention Services Act
GOTR	Girls on the Run
GTEA	Grants to Encourage Arrest
HOPE	Helping Ourselves Prevent Emergencies
HUD	Housing & Urban Development
IAC	Interior Alaska Center for Non-Violent Living - Fairbanks
KWRCC	Kodiak Women's Resource & Crisis Center - Kodiak
LSC	Lee Shore Center – Kenai
MFCC	Maniilaq Family Crisis Center - Kotzebue
MOA/MOU	Memorandum of Agreement/Understanding
OCS	Office of Children's Services
OMB	Office of Management and Budget
OVW	Office of Violence Against Women
PRAMS	Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System
PREA	Prison Rape Elimination Act
PEC	Program Evaluation Committee
RFP	Request for proposals
SAFE	Safe and Fear Free Environment - Dillingham
SAFV	Sitkans Against Family Violence - Sitka
SAP	Sexual Assault Prevention

SART	Sexual Assault Response Training
SASP	Sexual Assault Services Program
SCS	Seaview Community Services - Seward
SPHH	South Peninsula Haven House - Homer
STAR	Standing Together Against Rape - Anchorage
STOP	Services Training Officers Prosecutors
SVSEP	Supervised Visitation Safe Exchange Program
TA	Technical assistance
TWC	Tundra Women's Coalition - Bethel
USAFV	Unalaskans Against Sexual Assault and Family Violence - Unalaska
VCCB	Violent Crimes Compensation Board
VJF	Victims for Justice – Anchorage
VOCA	Victims of Crime Act
WAVE	Working Against Violence for Everyone
WISH	Women in Safe Homes - Ketchikan
YRBS	Youth Risk Behavior Survey

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CDVSA Current Federal Grants

Report Period Ending: January 31, 2015

PROGRAM	AWARD #	START	END	AMOUNT	EXPENDED	BALANCE
FFY12 STOP VAWA	2012-WF-AX-0028	07/01/12	06/30/15	796,817.00	544,607.41	252,209.59
FFY13 STOP VAWA	2013-WF-AX-0044	07/01/13	06/30/15	785,132.00	490,120.50	295,011.50
FFY12 SASP	2012-KF-AX-0038	08/01/12	07/31/15	231,060.00	226,060.00	5,000.00
FFY13 SASP	2013-KF-AX-0032	08/01/13	07/31/15	236,681.00	-	236,681.00
FFY12 GTEA	2010-WE-AX-0002	03/01/10	08/31/15	601,731.00	585,909.07	15,821.93
FFY12 VOCA	2012-VA-GX-0058	10/01/11	09/30/15	1,307,108.00	1,300,602.17	6,505.83
FFY14 FVPSA	G-1401AKFVPS	10/01/13	09/30/15	742,177.00	2,424.54	739,752.46
FFY12 SVSEP	2012-CW-AX-K028	10/01/12	09/30/15	359,721.00	261,355.45	98,365.55
FFY14 STOP VAWA	2014-WF-AX-0055	07/01/14	06/30/16	848,842.00	-	848,842.00
FFY14 SASP	2014-KF-AX-0003	08/01/14	07/31/16	270,588.00	-	270,588.00
FFY13 VOCA	2013-VA-GX-0043	10/01/12	09/30/16	1,415,761.00	782,564.75	633,196.25
FFY14 VOCA	2014-VA-GX-0050	10/01/13	09/30/17	1,484,376.00	-	1,484,376.00
FFY14 GTEA	2014-WE-AX-0021	10/01/14	09/30/17	617,129.00	-	617,129.00
Totals:				7,884,114.00	2,932,855.98	4,951,258.02

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

GTEA = Grants to Encourage Arrest

SVSEP = Safe Visitation and Safe Exchange Program

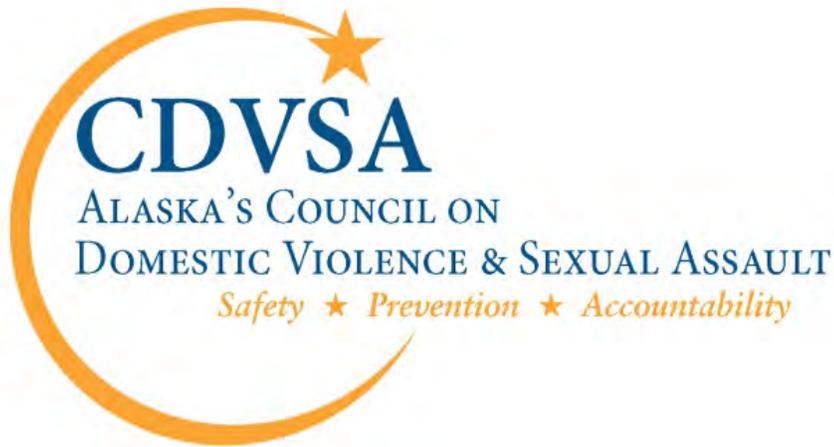
Department of Public Safety
FY2015 Council on Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault
All Funding Sources Status

Report Period Ending: January 31, 2015

Component Expenditures	Total Authorization	Total Expenditures	Balance
Personal Services	932,700.00	488,111.09	444,588.91
Travel	288,900.00	122,790.34	166,109.66
Services	2,232,700.00	539,641.57	1,693,058.43
Commodities	56,000.00	21,486.80	34,513.20
Capital Outlays	0.00	0.00	0.00
Grants and Benefits	15,642,500.00	10,492,543.00	5,149,957.00
Totals:	19,152,800.00		

Funding Sources

General Fund	12,305,800.00
Inter-Agency Receipts	3,138,600.00
Federal Grants	3,708,400.00
Totals:	19,152,800.00



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February 9, 2015

Alaska's STOP Tribal Consultation Update to Council

STOP Grant Overview

Alaska CDVSA has been a recipient of the **Services*Training*Officers*Prosecutors (STOP)** formula grant from the US Department of Justice, Office of Violence Against Women (OVW) since the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) 1994 legislation. The formula is based on available funds and state population and is primarily for training for courts, law enforcement and prosecutors and for strengthening victim services. The award goes to these allocation categories by law: 25% to law enforcement, 25% to prosecution, 5% to courts, 15% discretionary, and 30% to victim services; up to 10% from each of the categories may be used for grant administration. Alaska allocates 25% to Alaska State Troopers, 25% to Department of Law, 5% to the Alaska Court System and 30% to Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (ANDVSA), 15% CDVSA discretionary and 10% from each category goes to administration.

2013 Reauthorized STOP VAWA

The general program purpose of STOP formula funding is: "To assist States, State and local courts (including juvenile courts), Indian tribal governments, tribal courts, and units of local government to develop and strengthen effective law enforcement and prosecution strategies to combat violent crimes against women, and to develop and strengthen victim services in cases involving violent crimes against women."

STOP Three-Year Implementation Plan FFY2014-FFY2016

Each state is required to submit and abide by a Three Year Implementation Plan (Plan) and states are required to include consultation and coordination with:

- state coalitions for domestic violence and for sexual assault (ANDVSA)
- law enforcement entities, prosecution offices, and State and local courts
- tribal governments
- representatives of underserved populations, including culturally specific populations, and
- other entities that the State or the Attorney General identifies as needed for planning,
- coordination with Sexual Assault Services Programs (SASP) and Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) grants, and requires documentation submitted with

the plan that the consultation and coordination occurred and consisted of the required elements (was meaningful).

Update on STOP Application and Plan

Before the application and Plan were due to OVW, CDVSA held consultation meetings and submitted the application and the Plan simultaneously by the March 2014 deadline. We heard back from OVW in mid-summer that our Plan was not approved due to the fact that CDVSA had not consulted with all 228 federally recognized Alaska tribes on the Plan though we had consulted with consortia of tribes and other tribal organizations representing all Alaska tribes. Council staff discussed with OVW what constitutes tribal consultation and staff submitted a plan of action for tribal consultation to the Council in November 2014 and then submitted the consultation plan to OVW. On December 11, CDVSA received a letter from OVW Director Bea Hanson accepting our tribal consultation plan. “We appreciate your efforts to consult all the tribes in Alaska and agree that your proposed plan looks like a good way to accomplish this....We look forward to seeing your final implementation plan in May 2015. Once we have approved the revised plan, we will be able to release your FFY2014 STOP Program funds.”

Tribal Consultation on the Plan

CDVSA used a contact list for the 228 tribes from Alaska Department of Community and Regional Affairs and divided it into five arbitrary groups approximately by region. Each group consists of about 45 tribes and we are teleconferencing with each group of tribes. We send by email and US Mail these documents: DRAFT Three Year Plan; STOP Solicitation; and the CDVSA work plan for tribal consultation.

On December 18 we held a teleconference for 35 of mostly Interior Alaska tribes and had two attendees, one from Knik Tribe and one from the Chauthluk Native Village. Some of the comments we received is that SART trainings covered a lot of ground and that it seemed like a good way to use the funding. Also, because the issues of domestic violence and sexual assault are so big and important to the tribes that they must pay attention and look for ways to address these issues. Overall feelings were that the Plan as presented is good.

On January 15 we held a teleconference for 75 of mostly Western Alaska tribes and had 10 attendees. We received word from a few tribes that they would like to be kept informed but they would not be able to attend. On the call were representatives from: Yupik Women’s Coalition, Emmonak Village, and Emmonak Women’s shelter; Akiak Native Community, Anvik Village; Koyukuk Native Village; Native Village of Nightmute; Native Village of White Mountain; Village of Atmautluak and Tetlin Village.

Comments made were that Tribal Police Officers (TPO), Village Police Officers (VPO), and Village Public Safety Officers (VPSO) have a hard time accessing training for many different reasons and that these officers need to be included in training. (Currently, training is offered, but there is no one to cover for a weeklong training in a remote community.)

When there are trainings in regions on subjects of domestic violence and sexual assault please send an invitation to tribal administrators and/or tribal councils.

One comment was about desiring quarterly meetings of interested tribes so that there could be information sharing between tribes and with CDVSA.

There is another teleconference scheduled for February 12, and two more in March. This will be five teleconferences and will constitute all 228 tribes having the opportunity to comment via teleconference. Then CDVSA will continue with the tribal consultation plan and in April CDVSA will open a public notice on the Draft Three-Year STOP Implementation Plan for a public comment period. Staff will incorporate changes to the Plan based on the tribal consultations and provide the Plan to the Council at the May meeting and submit the Plan to OVW for approval along with documentation of the tribal consultation.

Kids Club and Mom's Empowerment Program Update
February 2015

As of the first of February, the Kids Club and Mom's Empowerment Program pilot project has been implemented, with programs actively providing services to mothers and children having experienced domestic violence. Each program will be providing two rounds of the curriculum before the end of the fiscal year.

As a component of the KCMEP project is contributing to research currently being collected through the University of Michigan, four of our sites have been deemed Active Sites, while two have been designated as Control Sites. Active Sites conduct an interview with each Mom and one of her children before the groups begin, completes the curriculum through ten group sessions, and administers the same interview at the end of the ten group sessions. Control sites solely conduct interviews without group implementation in order to collect baseline data for comparison. Data will be vetted through the University of Michigan in order to determine outcomes.

Sites serving as Active Sites are: Abused Women's Aid in Crisis (AWAIC, Anchorage), Aiding Women in Rape and Abuse Emergencies (AWARE, Juneau), Sitkans Against Family Violence (SAFV, Sitka), and South Peninsula Haven House (SPHH, Homer). Sites participating as Control Sites are: Interior Alaskan Center for Non-Violent Living (IAC, Fairbanks) and Women in Safe Homes (WISH, Ketchikan). Both IAC and WISH are anticipated to serve as Active Sites beginning in FY16, therefore increasing the amount of services provided throughout Alaska.

In order to serve more victims and increase the probability of consistent attendance, it was decided to adapt the program from a ten-week series of groups occurring once per week to a five week series offering groups twice per week. With this schedule, each Active Site will be providing two full rounds of KCMEP before the end of FY15. Conferences will be held in Juneau upon the completion of each round of KCMEP in order to course correct, discuss challenges and successes, adapt curriculum if need be, and determine timelines for the upcoming fiscal year. Conferences are tentatively scheduled for April and June.

As we move forward with this exciting new project, we are hopeful to continue adding more KCMEP groups within our shelters across the state.

PERPETRATOR ACCOUNTABILITY

What is Perpetrator Accountability? Within the context of the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault programs, accountability is defined as holding perpetrators accountable for their actions through corrective and rehabilitative programs. Accountability includes all components of the criminal justice system holding perpetrators of domestic or sexual violence responsible.

Goal 6. Perpetrators will be held accountable for their actions.

Objective 6A - Determine effectiveness of batterer intervention programs.

Objective 6B - Ensure perpetrator accountability programs are available.



Men fly messages of love, support, and respect about their partners, daughters, mothers. This project is supported by Alaska Family Services (Palmer) and the Sunshine Clinic (Talkeetna)..

COUNCIL EFFECTIVENESS

Why review Council effectiveness? All agencies and organizations must periodically review internal needs, resources, capacity and processes to ensure operations are efficient, equitable and effective.

Goal 7. Implement and maintain best practices in the operation of programs providing domestic violence and sexual assault services.

Objective 7A - Identify core services of and standards for domestic violence and sexual assault programs.

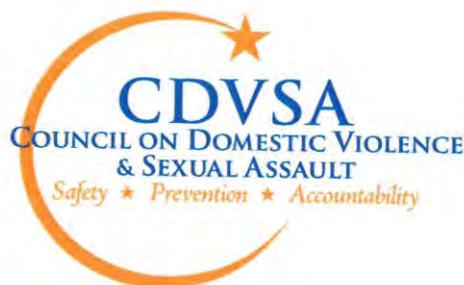
Objective 7B - Assess the effectiveness of domestic violence and sexual assault services.

Goal 8. Define and describe the scope and impact of domestic violence and sexual assault in Alaska.

Objective 8A - Obtain consistent and complete data on domestic violence and sexual assault incidents in Alaska.

Objective 8B – Coordinate with others to compile all relevant existing data on domestic violence and sexual assault

Objective 8C - Support and encourage independent academic research on domestic violence and sexual assault in Alaska.



COUNCIL EFFECTIVENESS - continued

Goal 9. Ensure effective Council administration.

Objective 9A - Council members and staff are knowledgeable and understand current domestic violence and sexual assault issues.

Objective 9B - Distribute funds and grants in an efficient and equitable manner.

Objective 9C - Ensure Council has staff resources and capacity to work effectively.

Objective 9D - Maintain compliance with federal grant requirements.

Objective 9E - Develop Memoranda of Understanding to improve coordination of services between state agencies.



Picture created by program participants at Arctic Women in Crisis, Barrow.

Victim Service Program Reports



AFS – Alaska Family Services – MAT-SU

SUCSESSES

AFS has completed their Community Readiness Survey. From those results, they will work with community members to develop and implement a community outreach and prevention plan.

Out of the clients that left the shelter this quarter, 73% left for permanent housing this quarter.

Advocates this quarter traveled to the outlying regions on the Matanuska Susitna Borough to preform outreach services, and to assist clients in need.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

AFS partnered in several events during Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM) in October at several locations throughout the Mat-Su valley:

Mat-Su College October 1-2. AFS staffed a booth and provided information on DV services, red flags, giveaways, and purple bags filled with candy. AFS provided materials and space to decorate tee shirts for the clothesline project. The clothesline project went up on the bridge October 13, where it remained until November 3.

Sunshine Clinic (entire month) AFS provided information table on DV services, as well provided purple giveaways. Sunshine also hosted two hope line boxes at both of their locations, and had the clothesline project at their Willow location.

Su Valley Junior and Senior High School: (one week) Facilitated Purple Ribbon campaign, lunch time balloon release on October 15, and a Clothesline Project.

Mat-Su Public Health Set up and maintained DV information booth, with purple ribbons, all month long.

Mat-Su Regional Hospital Provided booth with DV information, as well as giveaway items the last week of October.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

During this reporting period, AFS had great success with working with community partners and the Mat-Su School district for DV Awareness Month Activities. AFS hosted classes on DV at Palmer Middle School, Su Valley Junior and Senior High School, and Colony High School. Wasilla High School, as well as the other schools previously mentioned, participated in variations of *Paint the Town Purple* and the *Purple Ribbon* campaigns. Wasilla and Colony High Schools produced public service announcements (PSAs) on domestic violence, which were presented at various times throughout the month.

Victim Service Program Reports



AVV-Advocates for Victims of Violence - VALDEZ

SUCSESSES

Domestic Violence (DV) Awareness Month proclamation was read by the Honorable Mayor of Valdez at the City Council meeting, followed by the Candlelight Vigil with a huge turnout where survivors shared their stories.

In connection with DV Awareness Month, AVV's Director was invited by Verizon to attend the DV Summit 2014 on the legendary Paramount Studios lot.

AVV donated a "Handprint Quilt" last year to Hermon Hutchens Elementary School and decided to donate another quilt to the new George Gilson Middle School with handprints from 6th-8th grade students collected. In November the quilt was completed and presented to the principal and students.

November 8, AVV hosted the 7th Annual Woman of Distinction Awards Night. Seven women and three young women from different sectors of the community were recognized.

AVV had a new heating system installed using the Legislative Grant Program thru Senator Click Bishop and Rasmussen Foundation. Every woman and child in shelter now sleeps in a warm bedroom, prepares meals in a heated kitchen and can now focus on healing from trauma.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

Valdez has a new school superintendent, elementary school and high school principals, and high school counselor. These are positions we normally work with. We received more support than in the past from the new administrators and counselor and AVV received more invitations for presentations at the middle and high schools.

Valdez holds the longest sentence for a sexual assault; 250 years. In spite of the efforts of the Police Department (VPD) and AVV advocates, Valdez has no SART. Nurse participation is missing. But, Last November VPD held a meeting with AVV and Valdez Providence Hospital Administrator and two nurses. Lauree Morton gave an introduction about SART in Alaska and invited the group to SART training in Fairbanks in March 2015.

AVV partnered with VPD to provide ALICE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate) training to the day staff and advocates.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

We have seen an increase of male victims of domestic abuse and have provided emergency housing at a local hotel and safe home and did safety planning.

AWAIC-Abused Women's Aid in Crisis - ANCHORAGE

SUCSESSES

Domestic Violence Action Month (DVAM) activities were highly successful. Master of Ceremonies Chief Mark Mew, of Anchorage Police Department, led the program to include state and joint municipal and JBER proclamations. Senator Mark Begich shared remark. The program also included the Attorney General's Pro Bono Award which honored an Anchorage based attorney, Jacob Sonneborn, for his significant volunteer legal representation of victims. Media coverage by every television news media outlet can be accessed at the following links:

<http://www.ktuu.com/news/news/community-leaders-try-to-stop-domestic-violence/28364436>; <http://www.youralaskalink.com/home/Wednesday-Marks-Start-of-Domestic-Violence-Action-Month-277849751.html>;
http://www.jber.af.mil/news/story_print.asp?id=123426906

AWAIC received a clean financial audit by Alex Beckman from the firm BDO who attended the November Board of Director's meeting.

AWAIC had a successful "Adopt-a-Family" program for the holiday season. Our annual program was supported by a local radio station 92.9 KFAT. Families (both in and out of shelter) filled out wish lists for holiday meals and gifts. Donors were matched with families, over 90 non-residential families, supporting 197 children, and holiday magic ensued!

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

November 1 – held annual Silent Nights Gala and auction. The event raised \$236,532 of unrestricted funds and educated 460 community members about AWAIC's services.

AWAIC and various Faith Communities held informational sessions about domestic violence and lantern releases across Anchorage on October 24th at an event called Shed the Light.

AWAIC and the Anchorage Alliance for Violence Prevention continue to provide Green Dot bystander trainings and action talks in a variety of settings. Media coverage of the GD training can be found at: <http://www.youralaskalink.com/Green-Dot-Anchorage-Holds-Training-Session-to-Educate-the-Community-285738781.html>

Negotiated an agreement with Anchorage Community Mental Health Services (ACMHS) and Safe Harbor for housing and intensive follow-up case management provided by ACMHS

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

Two domestic violence deaths this quarter.

AWARE-Aiding Women in Abuse and Rape Emergencies-JUNEAU

SUCSESSES

AWARE held a ten week session of the Healthy Relationships Class for Women, which is provided off campus. Evaluations of the class are consistently outstanding, with women expressing how much they learned and changed because of the materials presented.

During October-December 2014, AWARE finished the pilot launch of “Boys Run: i toowú klatseen, Strengthen Your Spirit,” an 18 lesson afterschool athletic and cultural program where boys in 3rd-5th grades learned to work together towards developing healthy and respectful attitudes and relationships. Twelve youth and four adult volunteer coaches finished the season with a 5K fun run and awards ceremony. The curriculum is infused with Southeast Alaska Native values and language.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

October began with an AWARE First Friday Art Show- *Ingredients for a SAFE HOME*. Fifth graders from each Juneau elementary school contributed art depicting their interpretations of the elements of a safe home, with beautiful, funny, and sometimes heartbreaking results.

AWARE also partnered with Diana Stevens, past Woman of Distinction honoree and local karate master, to offer an enhanced self-defense class on the UAS campus. This self-defense class included educational elements about the dynamics of sexual assault, as well as a discussion of consent and bystander interventions.

AWARE’s Community Engagement Coordinator attended the Alaska Native Brotherhood/Alaska Native Sisterhood (ANB/ANS) Grand Camp meeting in Petersburg this quarter, and took part in a summit discussing a local implementation of the White House’s “My Brother’s Keeper” initiative, held by Central Council of the Tlingit Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (CCTHITA). The prevention department at AWARE continues to work to strengthen partnerships and collaboration with tribal organizations.

In December, Special Agent in Charge Deirdre Fike made a presentation honoring Swarupa Toth, AWARE’s SART and Regional Legal Services Coordinator, at the Anchorage Field Office. AWARE’s Executive Director, Saralyn Tabachnick, was notified by the FBI that she would be awarded the FBI Director’s Community Leadership Award for 2015. Saralyn will be the guest of the FBI in Washington, DC later this spring, when the FBI Director will make a presentation at FBI Headquarters.

As of December 31, 2015, the land for the Transitional Housing Center has been subdivided, the building has been framed and roofed, and the electrical rough-in is complete. It is expected the building will be completed in March 2015, with a grand opening shortly thereafter.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

None noted at this time.

AWIC-Arctic Women in Crisis-BARROW

SUCSESSES

During the 2nd quarter, AWIC provided residential services for a total of twenty-two women and twenty-eight children, and provided 845 safe- bed nights. On-call counselors responded to two SART calls; the Crisis Line responded to ninety-eight crisis calls.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

In honor of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, AWIC distributed flameless candles for the *A Light in the Window Campaign* in partnership with the North Slope Borough Health Department (NSBHD) and the Utqiagvik Presbyterian Church. Community members and agencies displayed flameless votive candles in their windows to express their continuing solidarity toward ending domestic violence on the North Slope.

AWIC also distributed over four hundred purple ribbons in honor of Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Ribbons and candles were sent to village clinics so they, too, could honor victims of domestic violence. Three hundred placemats were distributed to local restaurants with information about local and state resources.

Katie Tepas, then current Senior Policy Advisor and Choose Respect Initiative Coordinator in the Office of the Governor, joined AWIC on the NSBHD radio show and spoke about outreach to victims of violence, the *Choose Respect Initiative*, and community engagement.

In October, village advocate Eleanor Saganna, participated in the Point Hope and Point Lay Health Fairs and staffed a table with information about AWIC, local and state resources, and informational pamphlets. Eleanor showed a brief video explaining the positive activities parents can do to stimulate their children's brains and promote healthy development. In November, Eleanor participated in the Wainwright and Atqasuk Health Fairs providing the above information.

Two advocates along with an AWIC Board member initiated outreach at Hopson Middle School for bullying prevention. The advocates taught 7th-8th grade students from November 17-December 5, 2014. 6th grade students are scheduled for the next quarter.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

Barrow's Assistant District Attorney, Brian Sullivan, was murdered. The alleged murderer had been involved in a string of DV related crimes, including several no-contact orders issued to protect the woman Mr. Sullivan was with at the time of the shooting.

In forming the Barrow MDT, there continues to be a number of issues with OCS and the Native Village of Barrow's lack of participation. This has a negative impact on the success of the MDT in providing comprehensive services to families on the North Slope. AWIC is planning to help facilitate training for MDT members on February 23-25 with the Rural Cap program.

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BSWG – Bering Sea Women’s Group - BETHEL

SUCSESSES

Aurora Inn (Bering Straits Native Corporation) Manager Brian Stockman provided training to three employees on bedbugs and inspected after spraying. Barb Amarok volunteered to serve on Kawerak, Inc. Green Dot Committee as BSWG representative

Barb spoke with Mary Miller and she is willing to conduct Talking Circles with the clients and address self-care, dealing with trauma, and Inupiaq Values

Requested funding from Sitnasuak Native Corporation, and Requested funds of \$20,000.00 rom Bering Straits Native Corporation, and funds in the amount of \$5000.00 from Bering Sea Lions Club. BA requested \$4017.00 for a dining set and three cabinets through CDVSA Mini-Grant and \$1854.00 from CDVSA Prevention Mini-Grant for Coaching Boys Into Men for NBHS and NYF

PaNaNa Pungowiyi, Wellness Director will give a Green Dot presentation to program participants

Set up a presentation with Christine King to prepare for DART meeting

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

Had booth at NSHC Health Fair, as part of October Domestic Violence Awareness Month

NCC Strengthening Families will give presentations for program participants

Barb participated in Interagency Council meeting on Green Dot working on presentations for Nome Public Schools

Family Wellness Warriors presentation

Signed SART MOU with CAC, NPD, DA, Troopers, OCS, BSWG and I should be getting together for monthly meetings

Set up prevention presentations for the Nome Youth Facility

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

Gilbert Olanna is being charged with the murder of Esther Lincoln in White Mountain.

In October, BSWG had to turn clients away until the Shelter was determined to be free of bed bugs.

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CFRC –Cordova Family Resource Center - CORDOVA

SUCSESSES

CFRC had six youth from this group attend the Lead-On Conference.

For the month of October, CFRC had information on our Facebook page, flyers on local community boards, presentations to the City Council, and made Lipstick holders with educational information (myths and facts, signs/symptoms, and resources) for Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Victims. These items were place around town at local businesses for people to take for free.

Month of November we participated in the Sobriety Celebration, had a table with information and resources. This is put on by the Native Village of Eyak and individuals from our local Chenega Bay and Tatitlek villages as well as other villages attend.

B.I.O.N.I.C. (Believe It or Not I Care) youth group has been meeting weekly at the High school during homeroom. There are a total of about 30 students in the B.I.O.N.I.C group. They are currently working on projects to present to the School Board and student body.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

CFRC had local radio ads, and PSAs, through radio and GCI and CTC scanner channel, and newspaper. We use Face Book and local bulletin boards.

SART team has all policies in place, SART room for providing exams, and a new Colposcope for the exams. Cordova SART is fully operational.

This quarter CFRC has taken the lead role in a community DART and have been holding meetings and reaching out to the local providers to provide the best care possible four our clients.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

CFRC and Sound Alternatives are working to provide CFRC clients with counseling at the CFRC facility. Some concerns we have is that now some program participants cannot afford to continue needed counseling. We went from almost 20 program participants seeking services to no participants' continuing services. Program participants were getting billed before the 10 free sessions expire because they have insurance (of which the perpetrator often is also on this insurance or is the sponsor). It is concerning that the program participants are not continuing services due to the cost after they had their 10 sessions, and their issues are still new and raw.

CFRC, Infant Learning, Native Village of Eyak and Public Health Nurse have made several attempts to get to both Chenega Bay and Tatitlek with no success. One time we even got half way there and the plane was forced to turn around. This time of year our options are limited as we only have one company that flies to these villages during the winter months.

IAC - Interior Alaska Center for Non-Violent Living - FAIRBANKS

SUCSESSES

IAC Emergency Shelter has averaged 55 women and children per night. They are now fully staffed, and are able to meet with each participant weekly to case plan around issues such as housing, employment, services available, safety planning, self-care, children's services, etc.

The Transitional Program has provided several women with the opportunity to receive case management with specific goals, so they can transition to independent living. IAC can quickly fill openings as they become available.

Unfortunately, SART and DV calls continue to be high; however, these calls have provided an opportunity for advocates to make contact with victims that are in high crisis, and offer support and education as well as connect them to shelter services that they may not otherwise receive. Immediate safety planning and safety checks have allowed victims to remain in their own home.

IAC's legal program has been hopping, with one legal advocate, with an ongoing case load of approximately 50 clients, who are receiving services from assistance on restraining orders, custody, and divorce as well as other legal issues that result in domestic violence and sexual assault situations. In January, a much needed staff attorney will be added to the legal program.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

The holiday season is often more difficult for those in crisis. The great Fairbanks community rallied this year, through both company led, as well as individual, efforts. I Heart Radio and Variety Motors led the drive, and also provided a one hour radio spot that highlighted IAC and their services to the community. Because of this amazing coordinated community response, Fairbanks was able to provide Christmas to over 65 families that IAC serves.

IAC hosted a successful Community Green Dot training December 1-3. Radio spots promoted the event in advance, and Channel 11 provided coverage.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

This quarter the Fairbanks Primary Prevention Partnership was established with 24 signed MOU's from community partner agencies to work on primary violence prevention.

Coordinated meetings between Chief Andrew Isaac Health Center, TCC, Health Aids, Troopers, Forensic Nursing and IAC have been taking place to enhance sexual assault response in the villages and prevention efforts in the villages. These are ongoing meetings and we look forward to sharing more details on our next quarterly report.

KWRCC-Kodiak Women's Resource and Crisis Center-KODIAK

SUCSESSES

KWRCC hosted their annual Beginning Advocacy class. There were 6 people in attendance this year.

KWRCC coordinates the Adult Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT), which works to maintain the structure of set protocols for the Kodiak SART team. Kodiak officially has an up and running SART team. The team seems to be working efficiently.

KWRCC's monthly MDT meeting continues to build a Kodiak Community Coordinated Response (CCR) Team to fill the gaps in services when responding to DV cases in Kodiak. This is a continuation of the work started from their December 2012 CCR training in the Duluth model.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

In October, KWRCC's 22nd annual Prayer Service was held in remembrance of victims that have lost their lives to Domestic Violence across the state of Alaska this past year. It was attended by 35 people. Following the Prayer Service was KWRCC's Annual Meeting, which is open to the community. Dinner was provided.

Also in October, KWRCC held the "Paws for Peace" dog walk. KWRCC partnered with the local animal shelter to bring awareness to the correlation of animal abuse and domestic violence. The animal shelter offered foster dogs for anyone who wanted to participate in the walk that did not have an animal of their own.

In November and December KWRCC did a special Community Outreach for Holiday Cheer. KWRCC organizes donated items from the community and gave out care packages for those in need around Kodiak.

KWRCC staff attended many trainings, including a Community Coordinated Response (CCR) training in Minnesota, the Child Maltreatment Conference in Anchorage, SART training in Anchorage, and Legal Advocacy training also in Anchorage. Both the CCR training and the Child Maltreatment Conference were focused on community coordination.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

KWRCC experienced a decrease in shelter nights in the second quarter. They do not attribute this to anything other than ebb and flow. Several shelter clients who had been receiving shelter services had their new housing come through around the same time, which opened up more shelter beds. Non-residential services remained at about the same numbers they have been experiencing.

LSC-The LeeShore Center-KENAI

SUCSESSES

A woman came to LSC from another Alaskan town because her husband had removed her children (including a newborn infant) from their residence and relocated them to the Kenai community. He was successful in putting a variety of road blocks in place to stall her reuniting with the children. These included: an OCS report against her, his calling 911 and her being arrested on DV charges, his filing for and obtaining a short term protection order, his requesting a long term order, and his filing for divorce with request for full custody of the children. With the legal issues these road blocks posed, it took some time for her to work through the issues. However, with support, assistance and referrals from the shelter staff she had her children back with her by Christmas and returned to their home of origin by the end of the year.

Working cooperatively with Alaska Housing and other local resources, LSC had five individuals that left shelter this quarter and went into Empowering Choice subsidized rental units. Without the Empowering Choice housing option these individuals would have had a much more difficult time finding suitable permanent housing.

A mother and child left homeless due to DV came to LSC for assistance. The child had considerable medical and behavioral challenges. LSC was able to assist them with support and referrals. The family was able to get assistance through the Early Intervention Program, Family Support Program, Alaska Housing and shelter program services. Mom was provided the support she needed to deal with the challenges her family was faced with. Mom and child are now in permanent housing with ongoing supports to help ensure positive and healthy outcomes for both.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

In October, LSC held their bi-annual Community Awareness Workshop. A total of 15 community members attended. Community partners from local law enforcement, Kenaitze Indian Tribe, OCS, the DA's office, DJJ, and the local disability provider participated as guest speakers during the workshop.

The agency held its annual meeting on November 6th. Approximately 140 community members attended.

A training retreat was provided to LeeShore staff on December 2nd and 3rd. Topics included team building, communication, and leadership development. Lisa Cauble from the Trust Training Cooperative facilitated the training.

LSC also received DV proclamations from the city and borough of Kenai.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

None noted at this time.

SAFE – Safe and Fear Free Environment - DILLINGHAM

SUCSESSES

SAFE's new Executive Director asked the three fuel providers in Dillingham to bid on a contract to provide heating fuel and negotiated a contract at a savings of nearly \$1.50/galleon for FY15.

SAFE received notice of award of a 'new' Rural DV grant from the OJP/VAWGO early in the quarter, scheduled to begin January 1, 2015. SAFE had previously requested and was granted a no-cost time extension on our previous grant that closed out December 31, 2014.

The need for emergency and short term shelter services in the other side of the Bay prompted us to change from a small (>400 sq ft), one bedroom to a three bedroom apartment to house the Baywest shelter in King Salmon. There was at least one resident with one or more children residing in the Baywest shelter continuously throughout the past fiscal year. Funding for the Baywest shelter operations are provided through a federal VAWGO Rural DV grant to SAFE.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

There are too many criminal cases coming through the court system for the two attorney's and staff at the ADA office to handle and the pressure to settle cases has resulted in plea bargains and arrangements that are less that optimal for the protection of victims. This is only an observation that the workload is often overwhelming and people are doing the best they can to get the best results possible with the resources at hand. T resources are just inadequate.

The Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation (BBNA) hired a new Director for Jake's Place (regional A/DA treatment facility). The director had worked as a SAFE Shelter Advocate as well as being an active volunteer and is well-grounded in victim service and safety issues so that she was able to step into her new position with barely a hitch in routine.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

By the middle of this quarter, SAFE had already expended our entire emergency transportation budget which was less than \$10,000, and that included anticipated funds from BBNA that are not in fact going to materialize. One family alone cost over \$4,000 to move them from a very remote part of our region to a slightly less remote part where they had supportive family. This is a mom, grandma, five children and their lunch. No baggage, furniture, or even much in the way of bare essentials. There are no CDVSA funds for any transportation in SAFE's grant. All of our funding comes from other grant sources, primarily from BBNA (though not awarded for FY15) and a Rural DV grant from OJP/VAWGO. The Rural DV grant is for a three year period and we most likely will have to use more than one-third of the emergency transportation funding this year and scramble to find sufficient funds down the road. Emergency transport is such an essential service.

SAFE experienced a significant loss of funding early in the quarter when BBNA's grant application for continuing funding under a Grants To Tribal Governments program was not awarded.

SAFV – Sitkans Against Family Violence - SITKA

SUCSESSES

SAFV terminated the Rural/Cultural position, for now, and SAFV's direct service coordinator traveled to Kake. SAFV's coordinator was invited to assist with Kake's Domestic Violence task force goals.

SAFV's Prevention Director and Youth Development specialist also visited Kake as part of their prevention strategies. The Youth Specialist provided safety presentations and healthy relationship lessons for all students in the village. The Prevention Director joined for planning meetings with Organized Village of Kake (OVK) and the School District on the first day, as well as facilitating a planning conversation about supporting Kake youth, co-hosted with Mark Calvert from Alaska Association of School Boards (AASB).

SAFV coordinated an administrator training focusing on school wide adoption of Social Emotional Learning (SEL). Administrators developed a SEL definition for the Sitka School District and are working on a district wide vision and plan.

SAFV's Youth Development Specialist is attending monthly school board meetings and providing short updates during the persons to be heard section. The Specialist is continuing to directly work in classrooms.

SAFV is participating in the Kids Club Moms Empowerment and the Boys Run programs.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

The police chief, who's on SAFV's board, called a meeting with OCS, SAFV, SPD and Sitka Tribes (STA) Social Service about a program called CID-COPS, a response to children who were freshly traumatized after a violent incident in the home. The group is meeting to see if the program can be revived.

For Domestic Violence Awareness Month, SAFV set up a flag display symbolizing annual numbers of residents, bed nights and crisis calls; screened the movie, "Private Violence"; and coordinated with the UA Southeast Alaska Student Success Center to present the **Clothesline Project**.

SAFV had the annual holiday party for about 60 program participants of which the entire Sitka community it seemed supported in some way.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

STA social services and SAFV are negotiating working collaboratively. STA Social Services is participating in ICWA and guardianship cases and not calling with referrals for their clients who are dealing with DV. SAFV has also contacted them for possible referrals for the Mom/Kids Empowerment Group.

SCS – SeaView Community Services – SEWARD

SUCSESSES

SCS enjoyed excellent community participation with DVAM. Their October newsletter was geared for Domestic Violence Awareness month and filled valuable information. In addition, they released a series of 6 articles to all 3 of our local papers and social media news feeds. Our first article addressed the recent DV events in the NFL and victim blaming. This article was then followed by stories from 4 survivors of domestic violence, followed by an article entitled “Everyone has a part to play” addressing what people in our community can do to spot abuse, but also help someone in need. SCS received some great feedback from these stories and feel that they made an impact at a time when everyone was already talking about domestic violence.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

In February, the program coordinator and Behavioral Health Director met with the Ministerial Association of Seward. During this meeting the Coordinator talked to the Ministers about the program services we provide, the program’s needs, and way they could get involved, and answered questions they had about the program. The meeting was successful and several of the churches have been donating items to the program.

In November, the program coordinator, along with a Seward Police Officer, and an Alaska State Trooper, attended SART training in Anchorage. This training was beneficial to all, and the participants learned what a key role they play as an essential member of a coordinated community response team. By working together, and by putting their plan of action and structure into place, they can improve the outcomes to each agency involved, and more importantly, the services to victims.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

SCS is concerned about Providence. Providence was the only organization who was not able to participate in SART, due to staffing issues. The week long training was too much for them, as they did not have the staff or the time to send anyone. SCS is currently working with OCS and the CAC to determine if they could get a SART nurse to come to Seward for exams and how that process might work.

SPHH-South Peninsula Haven House-HOMER

SUCSESSES

Over the course of several months SPHH has been working with a young mother who came in to the shelter with her newborn. This participant has been at Haven House off and on since she was seven years old. Since entering shelter she has established relationships with advocates and other community partners. This past quarter her open OCS case closed. She was able to complete her recovery classes and was very proud of her accomplishment.

A long term legal advocacy client that has been working with SPHH's legal advocate for over three years finally found closure. She continued to stay in touch with SPHH for support for the duration of the criminal case. It took two years for the case to come to trial, though her perpetrator was found guilty on all four counts and he was sentenced to twenty years.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

This quarter SPHH continued to help residents and other client's access grants through Alaska's Mental Health Trust. This has helped several people with car repairs so they can continue to get to work. Another success has been accessing dental work through these grants, allowing participants to live pain free (and help better maintain their sobriety) as they no longer feel the need to drink to help with the pain.

The Green Dot Homer Violence Prevention Team was recognized by Homer's City Manager, who committed to ensuring all city employees are trained in Green Dot bystander intervention. In October, Haven House encouraged the community to view Domestic Violence Awareness Month as an action month by getting involved in the Green Dot Homer movement. A two-hour Green Dot public training was held in December.

Haven House had the opportunity to collaborate in an unusual partnership which brought together the alternative high school, Flex, local artists, the local youth center, the R.E.C. Room, Homer Outdoor Wilderness Leaders, and Bunnell St. Arts Center. This two-part event called "All Fired Up" focused on connecting youth with positive adult mentors using Raku ceramics as the vehicle. Participants from ages 12-65 created hand built clay pieces with a visiting artist one day, with a Raku firing on the beach several days later. The event resulted in positive community partnering and publicity.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

There has been some recent concern around the DA's office not always contacting the victim to inform or ask for input before offering a plea deal to the offender. SPHH is hoping that, with additional communication and collaboration, this could help the outcome of these cases.

STAR-Standing Together Against Rape-ANCHORAGE

SUCSESSES

STAR received a call from the Director of Alaska Housing Finance Corporation to remark on the success of STAR program participants receiving Empowering Choice Housing Vouchers. The AHFC staff member relayed that, after speaking with her staff in Anchorage, she was very impressed with the level of stabilization STAR program participants were experiencing. She commented that whatever STAR staff (and particularly the Case Manager) was doing, to keep it up because it was exemplary. This is exceptional news and was relayed to all STAR staff members.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

STAR hosted its first Anchorage DART meeting in October.

STAR provided six outreach and education meetings to homeless persons and those at risk of homelessness at Beans Café.

STAR provided six educational groups at Dena A Coy residential treatment program.

STAR is an active participant with community partners as part of the collaborative response to human trafficking under a grant from the Office for Victims of Crime.

STAR was able to send staff to a variety of trainings and conferences this quarter, including the Alaska Child Maltreatment Conference, the Legal Advocacy and Wellness Conference, Alaska SART training, and the Shepherd's Care Forum (for faith-based community partners).

A STAR Advocate designed and implemented a staff "Wellness Week", which incorporated a variety of activities and tools to emphasize wellness and a healthy work-life balance. Some of the activities included daily winter walks, a daily assortment of fine teas and assorted hot and cold drinks offered in a "beverage bar", mini-massages offered at the office in 15 minute increments by a volunteer massage therapist, a wellness mapping exercise, ginger bread house making, a potluck, and an exchange of "Merry Mason" appreciation gifts.

STAR hosted a Volunteer Appreciation event in October, to coincide with the graduation of several new crisis line volunteers. There was not only an opportunity to appreciate current and long term volunteers, but also give the new volunteers an opportunity to network and get to know the "pros".

STAR's annual Holiday Tea occurred December 6th at the Anchorage downtown Marriott. It was widely attended and a huge number of volunteers helped out with the set up and organizing of the event. Over \$70,000 was made from the generous donations and fundraising.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

STAR has not experienced concerns with community partners this reporting period.

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TWC – Tundra Women’s Coalition - BETHEL

SUCSESSES

TWC’s success was TWC’s staff maintaining weekly managers meetings for upcoming events, completing reports, and discussing how to better TWC as a whole for our community.

Support groups are a major way for TWC to reach underserved victims and help them to participate in services; another way is through systems advocacy and by receiving services from TWC’s contracted clinician, as well as the crisis line.

TWC had 38 volunteers and 303 hours of volunteer service this quarter.

TWC assisted with 16, 20-Day Orders of Protections of which 14 of these were granted, and 17 Long-term Orders of Protection of which 16 were granted. TWC assisted with one, 20-Day Stalking Order which was granted and one Long-Term Stalking Order which was granted.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

TWC continues to have many positive partnerships especially with the Association of Village Council Presidents (AVCP) and Orutsarmiut Native Council (ONC) with their Healthy Families programs and groups that are held at TWC. TWC provides childcare for women/men who attend these groups/meetings. A few TWC staff have been attending the System of Care (SOC) project meetings that are being done through ONC, and the Yukon Kuskokwim Health Consortium (YKHC). Also a few TWC staff have partnered with the community about Homeless Prevention issues.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

A Shageluk man was arraigned on murder charges in Bethel 10-9-2014, and a Napaskiak woman charged with murder 12-1-2014. These are believed to be domestic violence incidents.

USAFV-Unalaskans Against Sexual Assault and Family Violence-UNALASKA

SUCSESSES

USAFV had contact with 86 program participants (52 unduplicated) this quarter. They provided 445 services, including individual, systems, and legal advocacy. 31 days/nights of safe shelter were provided at USAFV & elsewhere.

USAFV also provided food assistance 92 times to individuals and families throughout this quarter.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

During Domestic Violence (DV) Awareness Month (October), USAFV staff set up a table at Safeway and distributed educational materials on DV, rights of crime victims, information for veterans, and other information.

USAFV staff participated in a radio show on domestic violence that also featured a local law enforcement officer and a behavioral health provider.

USAFV held a "Girls' Night Out" sleepover at the United Methodist Church, which eight girls (grades 5 through 8) attended. They played games, discussed confidentiality, released paper lanterns, pledged to stand up against bullies, and to live lives free from drugs and alcohol. They enjoyed a movie and pizza as well. USAFV staff allowed the girls to complete an anonymous survey to help plan future events.

USAFV staff visited the Unalaska High School and presented to 33 students on the topics of consent, rape culture, stalking, and media literacy; and also introduced USAFV to the students. The following day, 23 of the students came to the USAFV shelter for a tour, and learned more about the services they provide and how they can advocate for themselves and others.

USAFV staff served as moderator for two radio shows, one on stress and its impact on emotional, physical, and spiritual well-being; and one on holiday traditions.

USAFV was the fortunate beneficiary of a Spaghetti Feed fundraiser organized and executed by the Unalaska City School's Student Council. About 40 - 50 people attended the event, and USAFV staff introduced themselves and talked briefly about their roles at USAFV and the services USAFV provides to the community.

USAFV held an Open House for community members to tour the shelter, meet the staff, and learn more about the services USAFV provides. Approximately 60 people visited the shelter.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

Services are down quite a bit after a very busy FY14. This has been an area of concern for the USAFV Board and Staff, but since USAFV has not been informed of any grievances or heard of anything that may be discouraging people from contacting them, it is believed to simply be a fluke. Referrals are still occurring and cooperative and collaborative relationships with community partners still remain. Community members are still showing up for events and supporting USAFV financially and otherwise.

Victim Service Program Reports



VFJ-Victims for Justice-ANCHORAGE

SUCSESSES

VFJ helped a refugee victim of assault and robbery find a living space and relocate.

A DV Victim was supported throughout the restraining order process and received assistance with finding work and daycare services.

VFJ provided court accompaniment and relocation assistance for a traumatized victim of severe assault.

VFJ also coordinated vocational rehabilitation resources for a seriously injured and consequently disabled male victim of DV.

VFJ represented a DV victim in negotiations with the Municipality to return her car, which was impounded when the perpetrator took the car and was stopped for a DUI. The victim was able to return to work as she had her car back.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

VFJ received positive media coverage before and during the River Walk for Justice in November.

Through Muni, VFJ continues to develop a community coalition in regards to victim services in Anchorage.

VFJ is embarking on new efforts through the Anchorage Police Department to inform victims of their services.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

None noted at this time.

WISH-Women in Safe Homes-KETCHIKAN

SUCSESSES

October was an exciting month for the WISH shelter. During the course of one week, four women residing in shelter achieved their self-actualized goal of safe independent housing after months of hard work.

In the same month advocates were able to help a woman who was referred through the D.A.R.T. team. She had been struggling for months to get into her own safe place. This lady's journey was different in many ways; however, she was a young mother living with FASD, struggling to stay clean and sober, and estranged from her child who was in State's custody. While in shelter she was provided with the support needed to keep up with her court appointed tasks as she moved toward reunification.

Shelter staff were able to help a male survivor of domestic violence leave his situation and access safe housing; this required staff to be very creative and pro- active in referring him to resources. WISH came across continuous systems and funding barriers with regard in helping him achieve safety as a long term reality.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

The Executive Director presented during the noon hour on the local radio station, and she was asked to return again to discuss domestic violence and sexual assault issues more fully. The Executive Director also presented to the Ketchikan Job Service, Vocational Rehabilitation, and Public Assistance programs regarding DV and SA. The history and purpose of WISH was explained and current services were described. Preliminary discussions are scheduled to have various state personnel assist participants in resume building, job-finding skills, public assistance form completion, and Vocational Rehabilitation assistance.

In October, for Domestic Violence Awareness Month, an activity co-sponsored by the Ketchikan Indian Community was held at the local recreation center. The event included walking eight laps around the track to signify the number of times a victim returns to a perpetrator. Food and cake was provided and battery operated tea-light candles were held during the moment of silence to remember victims and encourage one another that we can stop domestic violence. Several shelter participants attended the event and were transported by advocates who volunteered their time.

The Ketchikan Women's Summit hosted a day-long event encouraging and supporting the growth of women in business and in their personal lives. One recurring theme was the recognition of domestic violence and sexual assault. Small groups met in break-out sessions to brainstorm ideas and solutions to increase awareness and eliminate DVSA. Two key speakers were male leaders in the community, and they were well-received for their support and knowledge in domestic violence issues. WISH provided support for individuals who may be triggered, paid for staff to attend the training and event, and provided a resource table on domestic violence and sexual assault.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

WISH is continuing to work towards having a fully staffed shelter.

HOPE-Helping Ourselves Prevent Emergencies – CRAIG, Prince of Wales (POW)

SUCSESSES

HOPE held its annual fundraising event “Women Who Rock” and honored seven women nominated from different communities on Prince of Wales. The evening was a success with a delicious Prime Rib and Halibut dinner and an art auction that raised close to \$24,000 to continue the work of HOPE.

The HOPE board elected 5 new members.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

POW SART, Green Dot, POW Wellness Coalition (formerly Behavioral Health Coalition), interagency meetings.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

December 16 HOPE learned they did not have General Liability Insurance. At a finance committee meeting on December 18 the committee decided that HOPE would close its doors to the public until insurance could be obtained. HOPE staff was to take Dec 19, 21, and 22 as an “at-home” work days and be on vacation from December 23-Jan 3. The HOPE board was working with the local insurance agency to obtain liability insurance, but had a lot of difficulty as they were told we were high risk due to the nature of our work and that there weren’t many options for coverage. Although insurance was not obtained until January 22, 2015, HOPE staff were allowed back into the building as of January 3, 2015. The HOPE advocate continued to provide advocacy services by phone during the month of shut down.

With five new board members elected in October, HOPE does not have an orientation plan for new board members, therefore the Executive Director spent much time during this quarter answering questions and attempting to educate the new board members on issues related to nonprofit board duties as well as issues related to domestic violence

Although the resignations did not happen until January, I would like to report that an Advocate and the Volunteer Coordinator have tendered their resignations and the Executive Director, Katie Goodale has tendered her resignation effective February 27. This will leave the organization with one staff member. CDVSA Program Coordinator will visit the program and board of directors on February 20.

3 Board members resigned before the end of the quarter (2 new members, 1 veteran member)

Emerging Program Reports



UTWC-Upper Tanana Wellness Court - TOK

SUCSESSES

UTWC held Advocacy Training for volunteers. Two people took the training with IAC (Fairbanks – Brenda Stanfill) held in Tok. The training was one day on-site and continuing discussion/testing through the training manual for three days.

UTWC is planning on providing additional community and volunteer trainings and have been discussing this with IAC. We have been in contact with IAC and plan to have other volunteers trained sometime during the next quarter.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

UTWC is working with the Tanana Chiefs to add volunteers and getting them trained during the next quarter. One of the newly trained advocates works with the Tok Area Counseling Center.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

Since getting into the villages has been the challenge for UTWC, we are working on finding a village outreach worker or volunteer who will go into each of the villages to provide advocacy. We are hoping to hire someone during the next fiscal year to fill this position. We are looking for additional grants to fund this position and expand our services.

Emerging Program Reports



WAVE –Working Against Violence for Everyone - PETERSBURG

SUCSESSES

The advertising WAVE did in the first quarter has helped awareness and there was an increase in calls to the crisis line.

WAVE was able to reach out and train the Petersburg emergency medical services (EMS) Volunteers.

WAVE held several tables with information at the Beat the Odds event, the ANB/ANS Grand Camp, and Oktoberfest, and we were showcased as a local non-profit at First Bank.

WAVE sent one of our new volunteers to the legal training the network put on Dec 8-10 in Anchorage.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

WAVE's partnership with Petersburg Mental health continues and they are still offering the trauma support group.

WAVE is also able to offer two trainings on DV and strangulation to our local EMS staff. WAVE had eight EMS go through an overview of WAVE services and a "Walk in Her Shoes." They had a lot of great questions and we ran out of time and they asked us back to cover strangulation.

CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

Petersburg is a busy little town and it can be hard to find time to add new events. There is no good time to host an event. WAVE continues to hold a weekly trauma group but it is hard to get the group started. WAVE has had lots of referrals to the group and lots of interest but we have yet to have anyone show up from Petersburg.

Batterer Intervention Program Reports



AFS – Community-Based Batterers Intervention Program – MAT-SU

OVERVIEW

During the court status hearings in October and November about 10% of the perpetrators attempted to take classes online through non state approved programs. This seems to be a growing trend in the Mat-Su as we have been fielding calls about online and/or a some type of distance educational classes.

SUCSESSES

Two participants completed their court-ordered groups for this quarter.

INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – This quarter, AFS was assigned a new AST officer assigned to DV follow-up, Trooper Waychoff. AFS has scheduled a meeting with him in January to meet the new Trooper, and to review services. AST has been very helpful this quarter.
- Prosecutors –The FVIP staff attends monthly DVIP hearings and provides individual client statuses to the DA's office and the court.
- Court System – AFS is getting timely results when filling petitions to revoke probation for clients that for some reason were not making it to the court calendar. They continue to get timely information on clients that are court ordered to the program. They are looking to schedule a meeting with their District Judges next quarter.
- Probation/Parole –AFS has provided status updates on a regular basis to the individual officers.
- Medical - Public Health and the hospital were involved in monthly DV Task Force meetings.
- OCS (Office of Children's Services) – OCS has sent FVIP referrals to conduct intakes on their clients for placement in FVIP classes.
- DV Task Force – AFS has participated in monthly Task Force meetings. They are have finished their community needs assessment and working on developing a Community Outreach and Prevention plan.
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) – Information is offered to victims during safety checks.
- Behavioral Health – AHS has regular contact and collaboration with local mental health providers regarding coordination of services.
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs - AFS maintains regular contact with the local DV shelter to coordinate services and provide victim safety checks. They continue to coordinate services with clients of the Men and Women Center in Anchorage.

AWARE/JCAP– Community-Based Batterers Intervention Program –JUNEAU

OVERVIEW

This quarter, JCAP added a fourth group to their schedule. This group is for men who are transitioning to the community from LCCC, are on felony probation, or are currently furloughed to Gastineau Human Services. These participants will be counted under prison-based program for reporting purposes, and this group will be classified as the “Supervision” group, as all of these men have official oversight by Dept. of Corrections. JCAP anticipates hiring an additional facilitator next quarter.

SUCSESSES

This past quarter, staff has worked with the men to focus on their role in the domestic violence assault(s). Facilitators noted that many of the men focused the attention elsewhere (their partner, substance use, anger) and struggled to face up to their own accountability. Staff took additional time this cycle to work with the men to clearly understand domestic violence so that they would be less likely to use as many defense mechanisms when discussing their role.

INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – Staff communicates with JPD records department in regard to accessing police reports for a participant. JCAP has seen great improvements in resolving timeline issues between JCAP and JPD.
- Prosecutors – Staff maintains communication with prosecutors regarding current and potential participants. Prosecutors assist JCAP by answering any questions staff may have regarding the status of the participant in the court system. JCAP staff has provided testimony for many program participants in regard to program compliance.
- Court System – Staff has worked with private defense attorneys this quarter to further explain the processes of JCAP. Staff is working to provide this information by answering any questions and striving to make JCAP policies clear to all involved in the court system.
- Probation/Parole – JCAP staff has worked to strengthen their relationships with the field probation office. Staff has had success working directly with the probation officers.
- Medical –N/A
- OCS (Office of Children’s Services) – Staff has been communicating with OCS staff in regard to the status of men in JCAP. OCS has referred men to the program for intake to have staff determine if they are eligible for JCAP and determine if it is an appropriate fit for them. Staff has communicated with OCS to provide them with more information about JCAP and explain the waitlist for services.
- DV Task Force – N/A
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) – N/A
- Behavioral Health – Staff has worked with Juneau Alliance for Mental Health this quarter in regard to the mental health status of participants and their eligibility to participate in JCAP.
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs – N/A

IAC – Community-Based Batterers Intervention Program - FAIRBANKS

OVERVIEW

IAC maintains 26 slots available for offenders who qualify for sliding scale assistance due to low or no income. This list has continued to stay full, so they continued to wait list men who qualify but have to wait to get in. due to limited funds. This quarter they had 11 new people get into the Sliding Scale BIP program. The rest of the slots remained full.

SUCSESSES

IAC continues to update the curriculum to address the tactics used by abusers to hurt their victims, and to target the irrational beliefs they used to justify them at intellectual, emotional and spiritual levels, and to teach them why it is important to change these parts of them and how to do so. IAC is also adding some pieces to program that teach more on impulse control.

INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement –Through the CCR and DVTF meetings, and via the Community program, IAC has had constructive communication with law enforcement, especially with the troopers.
- Prosecutors – IAC maintains regular contact with the DA by providing them with affidavits of non-compliance on a monthly basis, feedback and information when requested (sometimes when not), and through DVTF and CCR meetings.
- Court System – IAC participates in a weekly ongoing status hearing for offenders with Judge Seekins. They also provide information on client status upon request.
- Medical – IAC has regular interaction with Forensic Nursing Services through the CCR meetings. There is a crossover of offenders who are in jail due to assaults that have required medical treatment for victims and who get into the community program. We talk with Forensic Nursing on these cases, when possible.
- OCS – IAC maintains regular contact with OCS by making regular reports of harm when information is disclosed to or obtained by them. They participate in meetings with caseworkers on client progress (or lack of), and have ongoing referrals from OCS to them.
- DV Task Force - IAC attends the DVTF meetings when they are held.
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) - No direct interaction; however, there has been indirect interaction by IAC providing information to women who have been court ordered to their services and who have been victimized.
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs – IAC'S director has regular contact with programs throughout the country and state, due to referrals and transfers of offenders to programs and also to exchange information.
- Probation/Parole – IAC has regular communication with probation and parole (PP), and have had a cooperative relationship with them for over 15 years. At times they will provide PP with training on DV offenders. IAC case conferences with PP, works with the PACE program, and occasionally provide insight and suggestions on probationary conditions.

KIC– Ketchikan Indian Community – KETCHIKAN

OVERVIEW

KIC reports having had a great quarter of settling into their new facility. They have been providing services to survivors and victims of domestic violence, as well as helping BIP clients find tools to assist them with changing their beliefs on abuse, gender roles, power, and control. Additionally they have been raising awareness and educating the Ketchikan community on the danger and prevalence of DV/SA.

SUCSESSES

KIC reports several BIP clients have completed programs this quarter.

In October, Executive Director Lynn Quan held a DV screening training for KIC clinic medical staff.

KIC also spearheaded a new annual event: “Steps for Change”. For this, KIC partnered with the Ketchikan Gateway Borough to hold the event at the local Recreation Center. People were asked to walk 8 laps around the track to represent the average 8 times it takes for a DV victim to leave an abusive relationship for good. Cards were handed out that listed reasons why women stay. The last card handed out said “We shouldn’t ask why does she stay, but why does he abuse?”

KIC staff members also attended and participated in the 14th National Indian Nations Conference in Palm Springs, CA.

INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – The Ketchikan Chief of Police sits on several collaborative task forces. Including DART, DVTF.
- Prosecutors – KIC works with prosecutors on client referrals and monitoring as well as status update hearings.
- Court System – KIC networks with the Court System regarding client referrals and monitoring as well as status update hearings.
- Probation/Parole – Frequent client staffing is discussed between KIC and probation officers.
- Medical – KIC cross-trained medical clinic staff on how to screen for Domestic Violence.
- OCS (Office of Children’s Services) – KIC works with mutual Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) clients and OCS.
- DV Task Force – KIC is part of the DV Task Force and hosts monthly meetings.
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) – N/A
- Behavioral Health – KIC has made several referrals to the Behavioral Health Clinic.
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs – KIC maintains regular contact with WISH and SAIL.

LSC– Community-Based Batterers Intervention Program – KENAI

OVERVIEW

During the 2nd quarter, 4 new participants entered the program and received orientation. There were 3 court hearings to address non-compliance issues. 12 cases were continued to future date; 1 participant was reassigned to The LeeShore Center's BIP, and 2 cases were moved to different locations (Seward and Anchorage).

SUCCESES

Participants completed the Men and Anger book as part of the Emotional Intimacy section and are currently working in the Communication module. Some of the most interesting and challenging conversations in class come during both of these modules. Many men have been trained to only have one emotion – anger – and some find it difficult to recognize other emotions. Communication is key to successful relationships and the CPBIP facilitator is accomplished in defining the methods of communication the participants use with their partners. The men often comment that they were unaware of their emotional state or the manner in which they communicate before attending CPBIP.

INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – LSC distributes a BIP survey each December. Completed surveys were obtained from Kenai Police Department, Soldotna Police Department and the Alaska State Troopers (Soldotna). KPD Chief Gus Sandahl has signed a MOA with LeeShore to continue working with the DART (Disability Abuse Response Team) grant.
- Prosecutors – the CPBIP co-facilitator meets with prosecutors monthly during compliance hearings at the Kenai Court system. The DA's office completed BIP surveys in December.
- Court System – the CPBIP co-facilitator attends monthly compliance hearings. Probation/Parole – several CPBIP participants are referred by Adult Probation. Open dialog is maintained with this department in order to file non-compliances in a timely manner.
- Medical – SART nurses are involved with the DV/SA Task Force. In addition, a SART nurse and a representative from the Child Advocacy Center spoke at October's Community Awareness Workshop.
- OCS (Office of Children's Services) – some CPBIP participants have been referred by OCS. Releases are procured in order to speak with the OCS case workers in regards compliance. OCS staff completed the BIP survey in December.
- DV Task Force – LeeShore's Executive Director Cheri Smith chairs the task force.
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) – shelter advocates help clients to contact VCCB. The CPBIP co-facilitator speaks about VCCB during the Community Awareness Workshop.
- Behavioral Health – Central Peninsula Health Services has signed an MOA with LeeShore as part of DART efforts to serve victims with disabilities.

Batterer Intervention Program Reports



- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs – Intermittently, Kenai Court sentences defendants to other BIPs. CPBIP is open to contact with other agencies for exchange of information as needed.
SPHH/DVIP– Community-Based Batterers Intervention Program –HOMER

OVERVIEW

SPHH has received and increase in referrals to their Domestic Violence Intervention Program.

SUCSESSES

This quarter, there has been an increase in payments from participants.

INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement - SPHH DVIP has had an on-going, positive interaction with Law Enforcement this quarter.
- Prosecutors - Interaction with prosecutors has been on-going and positive.
- Court System – Staff members have attended several status hearing's this quarter which have been positive.
- Probation/Parole - There has not been any interaction with Probation or Parole this quarter as these clients are on unsupervised probation.
- Medical – There has been no interaction with medical staff this quarter.
- OCS (Office of Children’s Services) - There has been no communication with OCS this quarter.
- DV Task Force - There has been no interaction with the DV task force.
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) – SPHH DVIP has not spoken with VCCB this quarter.
- Behavioral Health – There has been no interaction with the Behavior Health offices this quarter.
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs There has been no collaboration with any other BIPS programs this quarter.
- Other, explain –N/A

BIP- Community FY15 2nd Quarter Statistics October 1 - December 31, 2014		AFS Palmer	AWARE Juneau	IAC Fairbanks	KIC Ketchikan	LSC Kenai	SPHH Homer	Q2 Total	FY 14 YTD Total
a	How many new participants were court-ordered into the program?	3	2	10	2	5	1	23	41
b	How many written intake assessments were completed?	14	4	5	4	3	1	31	62
c	How many participants were accepted into the program?	14	3	11	3	3	1	35	68
d	How many new victim safety checks were completed? (spoke directly with the victim)	8	3	8	1	5	0	25	55
e	How many safety checks were completed? (includes new and continuing victims)	37	35	26	30	62	0	190	356
f	How many participants completed the program during this quarter?	2	2	2	2	0	0	8	19
g	How many participants were non-compliant during this quarter?	1	3	6	2	7	1	20	48
h	How many participants were re-arrested for domestic violence during this quarter (defined as police arrest and charge of domestic violence)?	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	9
i	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)?	1	0	2	2	1	0	6	18
j	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	1	6	1	3	1	20	69
k	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	8	21	5	0	34	57
l	What is the total dollars of fees collected?	\$8,325	\$3,220	\$0	\$3,010	\$3,100	\$850	\$18,505	\$34,892
m	What is the total dollars of accounts receivable (more than 30 days past due)?	\$0	\$2,530	\$0	\$575	\$0	\$0	\$3,105	\$3,105

AFS –Prison-Based Batterers Intervention Program – MAT-SU

OVERVIEW

AFS received additional funding this quarter from CDVSA to maintain services at both Palmer Correctional Center and Goose Creek Correctional Center.

SUCSESSES

One participant completed the program this quarter.

INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – AFS maintains contact with the Correctional Officers at PCC and at GCCC Prisons. They have scheduled an orientation for their new hire with both facilities.
- Prosecutors - AFS continues working with ADA's to recommend to the Judges to place on the judgment order that perpetrators of DV must start their class *while in custody*. This has been helpful to get court ordered participants started in groups, and helps get them transferred in the system to attend groups.
- Court System – FVIP continues to provide client statuses to the DA and the court for clients that are in custody.
- Probation/Parole - Probation officers contact AFS for status updates for their clients. Next quarter they are planning to attend a Probations Social Services Fair, to provide education to DOC staff on our services they provide.
- Medical - Public Health and the hospital were involved in monthly DV Task Force meetings.
- OCS (Office of Children's Services) - AFS contact with OCS is limited to clients in the Prison-Based Program. When inmates are released, they have worked with OCS to conduct intakes, and to provide status reports.
- DV Task Force - AFS participates in monthly Task Force meetings. That group has finished their community needs assessment, and is currently working on developing a Community Outreach and Prevention plan.
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) – Information is offered to victims during safety checks.
- Behavioral Health – AFS has regular contact and collaboration with local mental health providers regarding coordination of services.
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs - AFS maintains regular contact with the local DV shelter, to coordinate services and provide victim safety checks.

AWARE/JCAP– Prison Based Program –JUNEAU

OVERVIEW

This quarter, JCAP added a fourth group for men transitioning to the community from Lemon Creek Correctional Center (LCCC). This will help facilitators work with Gastineau Human Services, Institutional Probation Officers, and Field Probation Officers to track the status of participants. In the upcoming quarter, staff anticipates hiring an additional facilitator to allot additional time for current staff to complete administrative tasks.

SUCSESSES

JCAP facilitators took additional time this cycle to work with the men to clearly understand domestic violence, in many different aspects, so that they would be less likely to use as many defense mechanisms when discussing their role. The staff worked with the men over many weeks and used different themes from the Duluth Model to show the men that they made a choice to use domestic violence, and that they can make different choices in the future. Over time, some men began to open up and discuss their role.

INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – JCAP staff communicates with JPD records department in regard to accessing police reports for a participant. JCAP has seen great improvement in resolving timeline issues regarding record access between JCAP and JPD.
- Prosecutors – JCAP maintains communication with prosecutors regarding current and potential participants. Staff works to address any questions or concerns prosecutors may have. JCAP has provided testimony for many program participants, in regard to program compliance.
- Court System – JCAP staff regularly testifies as to the compliance of participants for the court. During this past quarter, none of the PBP men were involved in court proceedings for JCAP affairs.
- Probation/Parole – JCAP staff meets weekly with probation officers, GHS staff, and other LCCC staff to provide and receive updates regarding the current status of program participants. JCAP staff discusses referrals and accepts intake packets from potential participants at these meetings.
- Medical –N/A
- OCS (Office of Children’s Services) – JCAP staff is not currently working with any PBP participants who are under the supervision of OCS. JACP has worked with OCS to provide updates and answer any questions regarding safety concerns of participant’s children.
- DV Task Force – N/A
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) – N/A
- Behavioral Health/Substance Abuse – JCAP communicates with the Juneau Alliance for Mental Health and the mental health provider at LCCC to discuss any mental health concerns regarding participants in the community and in LCCC. JCAP also communicates with GHS in regard to program compliance in regard to their substance abuse treatment and/or addressing mental health concerns.
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs – N/A

IAC –Prison-Based Batterers Intervention Program – FAIRBANKS

OVERVIEW

IAC continues to receive requests from inmates to come into program, as well as referrals from in-house probation officers. Currently, capacity is limited to 12. Bi weekly meetings with the FCC mental health professional to discuss clients who have recently completed our intake process, to determine the appropriateness of participation in the PBP. Probation Officer Ward has been especially supportive of the program.

SUCSESSES

A new male intern facilitator joined the program, and has successfully maintained the cohesiveness of the group.

INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement –Through the CCR and DVTF meetings, and via the Community program, IAC has had constructive communication with law enforcement, especially with the troopers.
- Prosecutors – IAC maintains regular contact with the DA by providing them with affidavits of non-compliance on a monthly basis, feedback and information when requested (sometimes when not), and through DVTF and CCR meetings.
- Court System – IAC participates in a weekly ongoing status hearing for offenders with Judge Seekins. They also provide information on client status upon request.
- Medical – IAC has regular interaction with Forensic Nursing Services through the CCR meetings. There is a crossover of offenders who are in jail due to assaults that have required medical treatment for victims and who get into the community program. We talk with Forensic Nursing on these cases, when possible.
- OCS – IAC maintains regular contact with OCS by making regular reports of harm when information is disclosed to or obtained by them. They participate in meetings with caseworkers on client progress (or lack of), and have ongoing referrals from OCS to them.
- DV Task Force - IAC attends the DVTF meetings when they are held.
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) - No direct interaction; however, there has been indirect interaction by IAC providing information to women who have been court ordered to their services and who have been victimized.
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs – IAC'S director has regular contact with programs throughout the country and state, due to referrals and transfers of offenders to programs and also to exchange information.
- Probation/Parole – IAC has regular communication with probation and parole (PP), and have had a cooperative relationship with them for over 15 years. At times they will provide PP with training on DV offenders. IAC case conferences with PP, works with the PACE program, and occasionally provide insight and suggestions on probationary conditions.

<p align="center">PBP - Prison Based FY15 2nd Quarter Statistics October 1 - December 31, 2014</p>	<p align="center">AFS Palmer</p>	<p align="center">AWARE Juneau</p>	<p align="center">IAC Fairbanks</p>	<p align="center">TOTAL</p>
How many new participants were court-ordered into the program?	1	1	3	5
How many written intake assessments were completed?	16	2	16	34
How many participants were accepted into the program?	16	2	12	30
How many new victim safety checks were completed? (spoke directly with the victim)	2	1	2	5
How many safety checks were completed? (includes new and continuing victims)	7	9	5	21
How many participants completed the program during this quarter?	1	1	0	2
How many participants were non-compliant during this quarter?	0	0	3	3
How many participants were re-arrested for domestic violence during this quarter (defined as police arrest and charge of domestic violence)?	0	1	1	2
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)?	3	0	6	9
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)	4	2	2	8
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	2	2

Behavioral Health Outcome Measure Progress Report FY 15 Quarter 2

Service	Number of Participants this quarter	Number of Surveys completed	(1) Yes to Motivated to stop	(2) Yes to Affect of alcohol/ drug abuse	(3) Yes to Knowledge about alcohol/ drug abuse	(4) Yes to Referral
Shelter	7	5	3	4	4	3
Non-residential Support and Advocacy						
Counseling						
Non-residential Support Groups						
TOTAL	7	5	3	4	4	3
(N/A) Not applicable						
Neutral			2	1	1	1
% Positive Responses	0	0	60%	80%	80%	60%

FY15 2nd Quarter Outcome Measures

October 31 - December 31, 2014

Service	Number of participants this quarter	Number of surveys completed	(1) Yes to Safety	(2) Yes to Resources	(3) Yes to Services for Children	(4) Yes to Feel Less Isolated	(5) Yes to Understanding Crisis/Trauma	(6) Yes to Legal Rights	(7) Yes to Understanding Justice Process
Shelter	527	256	188	189	154	179	193	169	166
Non-residential Support and Advocacy	1500	290	190	196	138	203	194	178	183
Counseling	161	36	35	32	24	28	31	25	22
Non-residential Support Groups	324	98	86	89	64	82	83	73	70
TOTAL	2370	680	499	506	380	492	501	445	441
(N/A) Not applicable			12	12	155	20	21	49	42
Neutral			73	65	57	65	68	89	82
% Positive Responses			75%	76%	72%	75%	76%	71%	69%

Community Based Primary Prevention Program

Proposed Efforts

The Community Based Primary Prevention Program (CBPPP) grant funds are being used to expand existing domestic violence and sexual assault prevention efforts in the communities of Anchorage, Juneau, Sitka, and Homer. These four communities are undertaking a variety of strategies to reduce incident rates and ultimately prevent domestic violence, sexual assault, and teen-dating violence.

Capacity Building

All CBPPP grantees have developed and are maintaining a community coalition. The goal of these community coalitions is to engage community members in building capacity for culturally appropriate responses to domestic violence prevention.

Policy

All CBPPP grantees are working with their local school districts to develop and implement school policies addressing students' social and emotional learning and the creation of a school climate that promotes respect.

Youth Protective Factors

- Sitkans Against Family Violence, in partnership with the Sitka Native Education Program, will pilot the Basic Arts Institute in a middle and high school. This pilot program is intended to meaningfully increase cultural identification among middle and high school students.
- Coaches for middle and high school sports teams in Sitka will be trained to provide the Coaching Boys Into Men curriculum to athletes. As a result, more coaches will actively support and foster the tenants of healthy masculinity and relationships for youth.
- Sitkans Against Family Violence will expand their Girls on the Run program to include elementary school students in Kake. Through this program girls in Kake will have an opportunity to build positive self-concept.
- Based on the demonstrated successes of Girls on the Run nationally, Sitkans Against Family Violence is developing a pilot Boys Run program. The program will offer healthy masculinity programming where boys can build positive self-concept.
- South Peninsula Haven House (Homer) is expanding their Girls on the Run program to afterschool. Through this expansion parents are expected to learn the healthy development principles being taught at GOTR practices, connect and build relationships with one another, explore relevant topics in child and adolescent development, and learn ways to reinforce the GOTR concepts at home.
- Parents of 8th grade Homer Middle School students will have the opportunity to participate in Family Meal Nights. As a result of their participation, parents will build social connections with other parents/families, increase knowledge of child development, and feel supported in their reinforcement of healthy social-emotional skills in their children.
- Abused Women's Aid In Crisis will expand their Green Dot program to include youth trainings. Through this expansion, youth will become a part of an established community, will develop a shared language, and will develop supportive relationships with adults who have been trained to be proactive bystanders.
- Aiding Women in Abuse and Rape Emergencies will expand their REBOUND program to provide gender specific trips for youth. Youth who participate in the REBOUND program will develop leadership skills for building healthier relationships and gain skills to help create positive social change in their communities.
- Aiding Women in Abuse and Rape Emergencies will partner with Juneau Youth Services and the Juneau Violence Prevention Coalition to incorporate domestic violence, teen dating violence and sexual violence information into their Sources of Strength curriculum. Over 75

youth leaders will provide the Sources of Strength curriculum in three high schools and one middle school.

Bystander Engagement

- Anchorage's Abused Women's Aid In Crisis is expanding their community Green Dot efforts to include youth bystander training and community member training. Through free trainings youth and community members will become trained to be proactive bystanders.
- South Peninsula Haven House is certifying five Green Dot instructors to teach high school educators, counselors, and administrators the fundamentals of the curriculum. This will help ensure a supportive school culture for adopting the high school Green Dot curriculum in the future.

Implementation Overview

Capacity Building

- Anchorage Coalition
- Homer Coalition
- Juneau Coalition
- Sitka Coalition

Policy

- Anchorage School District capacity building for Green Dot
- Juneau School District capacity building for adopting policies promoting respect and equality
- Kenai Peninsula Borough School District capacity building for Green Dot
- Sitka School District capacity building for adoption of social and emotional learning curriculum

Youth Empowerment

- Anchorage Green Dot
- Homer Family Meal Nights
- Homer Girls on the Run
- Juneau REBOUND
- Juneau Sources of Strength
- Sitka Basic Arts Institute
- Sitka Boys Run
- Sitka Coaching Boys Into Men
- Sitka Girls on the Run

Bystander Intervention

- Anchorage Green Dot
- Homer Green Dot

Moving Forward

All CBPPP grantees are working with evaluators to evaluate their individual efforts. Additionally, the combined CBPPP efforts will be evaluated to track outcomes and impacts of the grant funds as a whole. As grantees move forward with their expanded efforts, the results of these evaluations will identify program successes and lessons learned.

Rural Community Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Pilot Project

Historical Perspective

The Rural Community Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (RCDVSA) Pilot Project funds were granted to the four rural Alaskan communities of Dillingham, Sitka, Bethel, and Kodiak, for the purpose of preventing domestic violence and sexual assault. These grantees implemented a varied array of strategies that targeted multiple populations and have achieved a myriad of outcomes.

Capacity Building

Each RCDVSA grantee developed and maintained a community coalition, which helped steer community prevention efforts. These community coalitions provided an opportunity for engaging community members in building capacity for the culturally appropriate prevention of domestic violence and sexual assault.

Youth Protective Factors

- Students enrolled in the Dillingham City School District's Maximum Achievement Program experienced, on average, nearly 20% less credit deficiency since the first year of grant funding.
- Sitkans Against Family Violence, in partnership with the Sitka Native Education Program, integrated cultural programming into preschool and kindergarten classes. This programming resulted in increased parental and family involvement in students' academic experience, and an increased sense of cultural pride for students.
- Youth who participated in the Sitka Youth Leadership Committee increased their feelings of belonging in the community, developed group facilitation skills, and are recognized among adults in Sitka as community leaders.
- All youth who participated in Kodiak's RunningCubs increased their knowledge of goal setting, subverting peer pressure, the importance of a safety plan, and how to mediate conflict.
- Elementary school students who participated in Sitka's Girls on the Run program reported increases in their positive self-concept. After completing the program, girls' reported self-efficacy increased by 26% and their positive attitude towards themselves increased by 14%.
- Bethel's Teens Acting Against Violence programs have increased the number of teens who participate in activities to help maintain their cultural identity and the number of teens who believe their input into community issues is heard and valued.

Legal Services

- Twenty-five domestic violence victims received protective orders through a partnership between Safe and Fear-Free Environment and Alaska Legal Services. Of those 25 individuals, only one has since petitioned for a protective order against the same perpetrator while none have sought an order against a new partner.

Bystander Engagement

- After participating in Green Dot prevention events, Kodiak residents reported an increase in their comfort and familiarity with bystander intervention techniques.
- Green Dot strategies in Bethel have resulted in increased awareness of domestic violence and sexual assault among community members.
- In a one-month community wide challenge, Bethel community members participated in 4,984 Green Dot actions (actions that safely interrupted potential acts of violence or educated community members about domestic violence/sexual assault), outnumbering the total number of violent acts reported in their prior year.

Implementation Overview

Capacity Building

Bethel Coalition
Dillingham Coalition
Kodiak Coalition
Sitka Coalition

Youth Protective Factors

Bethel Teens Acting Against Violence
Dillingham support of Maximum Achievement Program
Kodiak Running Cubs
Sitka Basic Arts Institute
Sitka Girls on the Run
Sitka Youth Leadership Committee

Legal Services

Dillingham partnership with Alaska Legal Services

Bystander Intervention

Bethel Green Dot
Kodiak Green Dot

Moving Forward

RCDVSA grantees have implemented a varied array of strategies that targeted multiple populations and have achieved promising results. A comprehensive outcome evaluation of the RCDVSA pilot community implementation strategies is currently underway. The evaluation will identify project successes, challenges, and lessons learned. In July, the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault will release a detailed report based on the findings of the outcome evaluation. The report will include a section identifying which RCDVSA programs are recommended for continued funding based on their demonstrated successes.