



MARIN COUNTY COORDINATED COMMUNITY RESPONSE TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE NETWORK

Meeting: December 16, 2015

Time, Place: 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm, Room 109/110, Health and Wellness Campus, San Rafael, CA

Minutes: Mira Greene, Executive Administrator, Center for Domestic Peace

- A. Kate Kain provides the opening and disclosures.

- B. Attendees introduce themselves:

Attendee	Organization
1. Kate Kain	C4DP
2. Laurel Freeman	C4DP
3. Angela Weikel	C4DP
4. Donna Garske	C4DP
5. Kim Tsuchimoto	C4DP Board
6. Meghan Kehoe	C4DP
7. Luz Alvarado	C4DP
8. Graciela Rodriguez	C4DP
9. Mira Greene	C4DP
10. Antonia	MAYA Liaison
11. Alissa Winkler	MAYA Liaison
12. Dori Ahana	Marin District Attorney's Office
13. Sandy Ponek	Canal Alliance
14. Adriana Ames	Fair Housing of Marin
15. Craig Schechter	Fair Housing of Marin
16. Daria Sievers	Social Worker
17. Mario Medeiros	Mill Valley Police Department
18. Ed Berberian	Marin District Attorney's Office
19. Jeaneffer Rullen	Voces de Cambio (Voices of Change)
20. Reyna Velazquez	Voces de Cambio (Voices of Change)
21. Jennifer Dunlap	Novato Police Department
22. George Bernheim	Marin County Sheriff's Office
23. Felice McClenon	Health & Human Services
24. Nilda Fernandez	Marin District Attorney's Office
25. Laurel Botsford	Shared Hope International
26. Maria Lopez	Voces de Cambio (Voices of Change)
27. Rhoda Richardson	Fairfax Police Department
28. Carmen Tristan	CFS – Differential Resp.
29. Jean Taylor	Center for Judicial Excellence
30. Cathy Kennedy	CMH Youth and Family Service
31. Michael Howard	Novato Police Department
32. Ralph Pata	San Rafael Police Department

- C. “How Fair Housing Laws Protect Victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Harassment” presented by Craig Schechter, Associate Director of Fair Housing of Marin
- Discussion: Craig Schechter summarized the federal and state statutes that can protect DV victims.
- D. CCR Strategic Plan Breakout Work Groups
- Kate Kain reviewed the CCR to DV Network’s purpose and six strategic directions (CCR Management, Data, Policy and Procedure, Response Training, Evaluation, and Prevention) identified at a CCR planning meeting in 2014. Attendees then broke out into work groups for each of the six strategic directions to prioritize objectives and identify next steps. Work group facilitators presented the new strategic plans for each strategic direction and reported out: Kim Tsuchimoto, Center for Domestic Peace Board Co-Chair, for the CCR Management work group; Felice McClenon, HHS, for the CCR Data work group; Daria Seivers, Mental Health Practitioner for the Policy and Procedure work group; Jennifer Dunlap, Novato Police Department and George Bernheim, Sherriff’s Department for Response Training; Donna Garske, Center for Domestic Peace Executive Director for the Evaluation work group; and Antonia and Alissa Winkler, Marin Against Youth Abuse Liaisons, for the Preventing Future Abuse work group. The work groups will meet with the CCR hosts during the next period and will present progress reports at the March 2016 meeting.
- E. Law Enforcement Trend Report
- George Bernheim, Sheriff’s Office
 - i. There have been 18 domestic violence cases from September 2015-November 2015, of which 7 were misdemeanor and 11 were felony.
 - ii. Dominant aggressor determination occurred in 100% of cases but was articulated in 75% of written reports.
 - iii. Visor cards are being used but use is not articulated in reports.
 - Jen Dunlap, Novato Police Department
 - i. There have been 19 misdemeanor and 12 felony domestic violence cases from September-November 2015.
 - ii. They are finding that dominant aggressor determination is happening during investigation and is required for approval of reports.
 - iii. They are using the visor cards and are required to document answers to RRA questions in reports.
 - Mario Medeiros, Mill Valley Police Department
 - i. There has been 1 felony domestic violence case from September-November 2015.
 - ii. Dominant aggressor determination articulated.
 - iii. Officers are scheduled for visor card training next week.
 - Rhonda Richardson, Fairfax Police Department
 - i. There has been 1 misdemeanor domestic violence case and 4 restraining order violation cases from September-November 2015.
 - ii. Officers are currently completing visor card training.
 - Discussion: Why is use of visor card not 100%? Discussion of time requirements of DV calls and limited resources of PDs, not every question on card is relevant to determination of crime. Need for continuing training since stream of new officers is constant, changes in policy/procedure to document questions and answers in reports.

F. Closing. Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 16, 2016, 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm