Marin Coordinated Community Response to Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Network Meeting

December 8th, 2021

Meeting Date: December 8th, 2021

Meeting time, place: 1:00pm-4:00pm by zoom

Objectives: Reduce domestic violence and sexual assault in Marin County

Hosts: Lori Frugoli District Attorney and Kate Kain, Deputy Executive Director C4DP

Minutes: Jackie Palacios, Learning Systems Manager C4DP

Introductions and Disclosures:

Donna Garske (*Executive Director*, *Center for Domestic Peace*) gave a welcoming statement.

Kate Kain (*C4DP Deputy Executive Director*) reviewed the agenda and our CCR Disclosures. DED Kate Kain also invited CCR network to join together in the new CCR Child Witness Cohort in order to provide more training in how to work with parents, educators, and child care providers on how to access relationships and connect to C4DP. Kate also discussed the name change of the CCR to include "Dating" to inform our community that the CCR includes organizations working with youth.

MARIN COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT DATA PROJECT REPORT: Bill Granados, PhD, Criminology, Program and Policy Consultant

Bill Granados provided his findings for a data collection from the years 2014-2016 and 2017-2019 in order to compare how investigation practices have moved toward asking more questions about Quality of Life, Credible Threats, and SA questions.

The data from 2017-2019 shows an improvement in all areas:

In 2017-2019 more officers asked about:

- 1. Sexual assault
- 2. Credible threats
- 3. Quality of life
- 4. Self-defense in mutual combat

One area of improvement was found in the decline of the connection of victims to the Center for Domestic Peace Hotline during the 2017-2019 years when compared to 2014-2016.



TREND REPORTS: Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Data, July – Sept 2021

The following 19 CCR partners provided Trend Reports. They shared data and observations about what is needed to increase victim safety and abuser accountability as well as what is needed to prevent future abuse in Marin County.

- 1. Law Enforcement:
 - i. Deputy Kevin Guinn-Marin County Sheriff's Office
 - ii. Officer Mason Poppe-Fairfax PD
 - iii. Seargent Alan Bates-Novato PD
 - iv. Officer Mario Medeiros- Mill Valley PD
 - v. Detective Lilah Gavlick- San Rafael PD
 - vi. Sergeant John Adams-Ross PD
- 2. Medical
 - i. Kelly Disharoon-Kaiser Permanente
- 3. Legal
 - i. Abby Lucha-Family and Children's Law Center
 - ii. Lori Frugoli-Marin County District Attorney's Office
- 4. Community Based
 - i. Priscilla Miranda-Huckleberry Youth Programs
 - ii. Debbie Rodgers- Community Action Marin
 - iii. Nicole Brouillet-Community Violence Solutions
 - iv. Luz Alvarado-Center for Domestic Peace
- 5. County
 - i. Bree Marchman-Marin County Children and Family Services
- 6. Preventionists
 - i. Jonathan Deras- Center for Domestic Peace (C4DP)

Gap Analysis/Sub Committee Report-Luz Alvarado, Legal Systems Advocacy Program Director

C4DP provided a gap analysis based on points brought up at our last CCR meeting and our August subcommittee meetings. This gap analysis described the problems mentioned by all different pillars of the CCR (Policy and Procedure, Data and Evaluation, CCR Expansion, and Preventing Future Abuse) as well as solutions discussed by our CCR partners.

All CCR members were invited to attend our next subcommittee meetings on February 10th and April 7th, 2022 in order to help us address gaps and continue to make progress in our solutions.

Using Social Media to Connect to Our Community-Marla Hedlund, Development and Community Relations Officer, Center for Domestic Peace

C4DP's Development and Community Relations Officer, Marla Hedlund discussed best practices for engaging with youth on social media. CCR members we asked to follow the Center for Domestic Peace on social media and asked if they use social media for their organizations, to share that information in order for us to collaborate. C4DP also discussed how to reach our most marginalized and underserved communities, posts were dedicated to these communities throughout our Domestic Violence Awareness Month campaign. We also have a dedicated translation team who works to thoughtfully translate graphics and descriptions into Spanish. All of the graphics referenced in our presentation can be found on Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, and Twitter: @CenterforDomesticPeace

After the presentation, members invited Marla to assist them o setting up their own social media strategies working with C4DP.

Special Guest Panel: African American/Black Women Working to End Violence Against Women

Panel Moderator: Cynthia Williams, Southern Marin Community Engagement Liaison, Center for Domestic Peace

Panelists: Sharika Gregory, Treasures R Us, MCCSD, The Tresure Project, Elberta Eriksson, ISOJI, Southern Marin Multidisciplinary Team Coordinator

Panelists answered the following three questions:

- 1. What do you do in terms of ending violence against women?
- 2. How can we help?
- 3. How do we educate our Marin youth community on Dating, DV, and SA?

Each panelist spent about 15 minutes presenting their work towards ending violence against women and girls by responding to the moderator's questions. Then, the remaining 30 minutes were held as a discussion and community forum to discuss gaps and how to reach our AA/Black community, specifically our AA/Black youth.



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Main points discussed:

- 1. Awesome work with AA/Black youth. Inspirational way to empower and encourage black youth self-worth and self-confidence.
- 2. This work provides counter messages for children from the massive, sickening, unhealthy messages they are given from music and videos at an incredibly young age. These leaders have found a way to combat this at an early age. Let us go even younger!
- **3.** Trust and hope are primary themes for this community on many levels, even here in the CCR. Speaking truth to this without judgement is a relief.
- **4.** The work of these leaders makes it clear how far they have come. Now we must all continue the work they did to bridge to the CCR and do our part for the sustainability of their efforts.
- 5. More trusting relationships are needed between AA/B community and the broader responders to dating, domestic violence and sexual assault. Next meeting continues the planning and actions towards this.
- 6. More trainings need to be given to parents and faith leaders within the black community.
- 7. Building trust between this community and law enforcement is key. To that end, the Marin County Sheriff Office Liaison agreed to attend an upcoming MDT meeting to build relationships.
- 8. Gratitude for getting to witness equity and safety being presented and expanded in the meeting itself. "Here I don't feel alone like I do in my job sometimes;" "in this discussion we have covered the hard issues that intersect, and we did it with hope and action going forward;" "these leaders brought us together today and created a space for the whole CCR to contribute to greater safety for AA/Black victims and their children as well for the needed equity strategies."

UPCOMING

1. February 10th, 2022, and April 7th, 2022, CCR Subcommittees

All are invited to attend to discuss gaps, find potential solutions, and brainstorm with CCR partner organizations what's needed to decrease dating, domestic violence, and sexual assault in Marin County. You are welcome to attend more than one subcommittee as all are held in one-hour increments on the same day. Registration required.



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- 1. Policy and Response Training, February 10th, 2022, and April 7th, 2022, 9:30AM-10:30AM
- 2. CCR Expansion, February 10th, 2022, and April 7th, 2022, 11:00AM-12:00PM
- 3. Data and Evaluation, February 10th, 2022, and April 7th, 2022, 1:00PM-2:00PM
- 4. Preventing Future Abuse, February 10th, 2022, and April 7th, 2022, 2:30PM-3:30PM

To register please contact C4DP's Learning Systems Manager Jackie Palacios at (415)-483-9233 or email at <u>ipalacios@c4dp.org</u>.

2. NEXT GENERAL SESSION: June 8th, 2021, 1:00 - 4:00 pm