

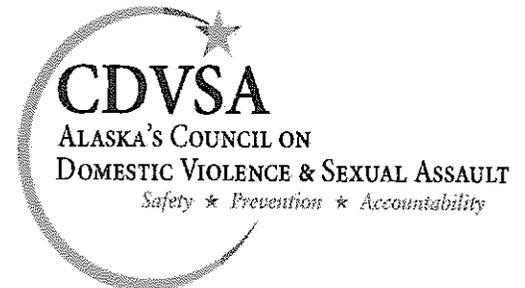
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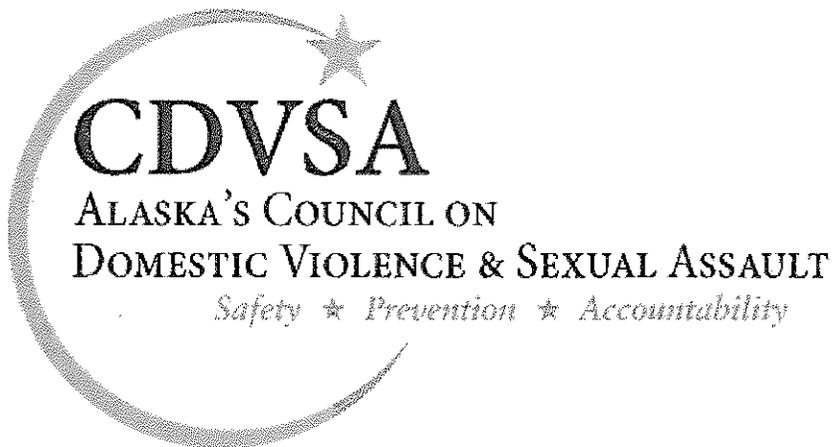
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#### DRAFT AGENDA

#### Tuesday, December 8, 2015

9:00am	Call to Order-Roll Call, Agenda Review, Conflict Inquiry Welcome New Board Members-Karen Forrest, Diane Casto Chair Comments	Richard Irwin
9:30	Minute Review July August	Richard Irwin
9:45	Executive Director Report Financials	Lauree Morton
10:15	ANDVSA Report	Network Representative
10:45	BREAK	
11:00	Maniilaq Women's Shelter	Jackie Hill
Noon	LUNCH	
1:30pm	Public Comment	Richard Irwin
1:45	Executive Session WISH-on-site review; executive committee report	Richard Irwin
2:30	Council Comments	Richard Irwin
3:15	BREAK	
3:30	Prevention Update	Lauree Morton
4:00	Services*Training*Officers*Prosecutors (STOP) Update	Lauree Morton
4:30	FY17 Budget Update	Lauree Morton
5:00	BREAK	
7:00	Public Hearing-DVSA Services for Kotzebue	Richard Irwin
9:00	RECESS	



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Wednesday, December 9, 2015

9:00 am	Welcome and Review	Richard Irwin
9:15	Possible Federal Applications	Lauree Morton
9:45	Legislative Review	Lauree Morton
10:45	BREAK	
11:00	Council Comments continued	Richard Irwin
Noon	LUNCH-meet with MWS Advisory Board	
1:30 pm	Tour of MWS	Jackie Hill
2:30	Items for next meeting; closing comments	Richard Irwin
3:00	ADJOURN	

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

**1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Budget Meeting  
Crime Lab  
4805 Dr. MLK Jr. Avenue  
Anchorage, Alaska  
July 22-23, 2015**

**Committee Members Present**

Richard Irwin – Chair  
Phil Cole  
Susan Cushing  
Chris Ashenbrenner  
Commissioner Gary Folger  
Patricia Owen  
Jim Cantor

**Guests**

Suki Miller, SOA, Governor's Office – telephonic  
Saralyn Tabachnick, AWARE – telephonic  
Donetta Monroe, UTWC – telephonic  
Vicki Damico, SAFV – telephonic  
Susie Pearson, AWAIC  
Amanda Price, SOA, Governor's Office  
Cheri Smith, LSC  
David Wilson, AFS

**Staff**

Lauree Morton  
Angela Wells  
MaryBeth Gagnon – telephonic  
Freda Westman – telephonic  
Maggie Reinhardt – telephonic

**Minutes Prepared by: Sheila Garrant, Peninsula Reporting**

Wednesday, July 22, 2015

**CALL TO ORDER**

Richard Irwin called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m., and roll call was taken.

**AGENDA REVIEW**

Chris Ashenbrenner **MOVED** to approve the agenda. The motion was **SECONDED** by Patricia Owen. Hearing no objection, the motion **PASSED. (7/0)**

**CONFLICT INQUIRY**

Richard Irwin polled the Council members for any conflicts of interest, and none were reported.

**CHAIR COMMENTS**

Richard Irwin welcomed the Council members to the meeting. He shared the following quote, "Life is not metered by the breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away." He then posed the question, "What is it that kind of takes your breath away, makes you really appreciate what the most important things in your life are?" Council members enjoyed a brief exchange disclosing their own significant breathtaking moments.

Following through on a request from Council members at the last meeting, Lauree Morton distributed the 2012 Tribal Court directory to the Council members.

**FY2016 EMERGING PROGRAMS**

Lauree Morton directed the Council members' attention to the Emerging Programs funding information included in the board packet. She explained that the funding comes as a three-year award, and FY16 is the final year of the award. There are federal funds available to assist in fully funding the programs through June 30, 2016. Those funds will not be available to allow for new grantees beginning July 1, 2017. The staff's recommendation was to fund the three grantees for the final year of the project with a combination of state general funds, federal sexual assault services funds, and federal Services Training Officers and Prosecutors (STOP) funds. The total awards are as follows:

- Helping Ourselves Prevent Emergencies (HOPE)      \$140,000
- Working Against Violence for Everyone (WAVE)      \$ 62,000
- Upper Tanana Wellness Court (UTWC)                \$ 40,000

Jim Cantor **MOVED** to fund Emerging Programs for the third and final year of the contract with a combination of state general funds and federal funds (STOP, SASP) for a total of \$210,000. The motion was **SECONDED** by Commissioner Gary Folger.

During discussion, the following questions were posed:

**Q: How much of the \$210,000 is state funds?**

A: \$40,000

**Q: Any reason to not fund them for a third year?**

A: No.

**Q: Is there money to do evaluations?**

A: No.

**Q: If we didn't choose to fund these emerging programs, would it free up money to continue the victimization survey or part of the survey? What options do we have?**

A: Neither of the federal programs allow for research or evaluation.

**Q: Only the \$40,000 in state general funds could be used for evaluation?**

A: Correct. However, staff is of the opinion that UTWC is not in a position to receive federal funds and be able to comply with the reporting requirements.

After a brief discussion, Patricia Owen **MOVED** to table the motion. The motion was **SECONDED** by Chris Ashenbrenner. Hearing no objection, the motion **PASSED**. (7/0)

### **FY2016 PREVENTION FUNDS**

Lauree Morton directed the Council members' attention to the proposed prevention budget information included in the board packet. At the last Council meeting, a request was made for a draft budget for prevention funds based on \$650,000. Because of budget reductions, Lauree reduced the draft prevention budget by \$150,000 and based the draft prevention budget on \$500,000 as follows:

- \$135,000 to continue the male engagement, youth leadership, and parent engagement projects, and allow the fundamental basics of the programs to go forward.
- \$365,000 for prevention including:
  - Green Dot \$ 30,000
  - Coaching Boys Into Men \$ 25,000
  - Girls on the Run \$ 50,000
  - Community-Based Primary Prevention Program \$260,000

There was also a request for information regarding other possible prevention funds that may be available, and Lauree Morton directed the members' attention to the report in the board packet titled *Potential Available Funding Sources*, and reported the following information:

- Health & Human Services has a program through Behavior Health that allows for some kinds of prevention work, particularly around substance use.
- The Rape Prevention Education Grant, which are funds that come through Public Health, Section of Women's, Children's and Family Health, some of which has gone to support LeadON, COMPASS, and Talk Now Talk Often, which are programs the Council is supporting.
- PREP funds, which are funds that come through Public Health, Section of Women's, Children's and Family Health, and are used for the Fourth R training and DELTA Grants, which go to the Network to support the Pathway Steering Committee and to support the communities of Juneau and Sitka.

Lauree stated that the research for other sources of funding will continue.

Council comments included:

- Susan Cushing requested minutes from the June budget meeting.
- Jim Cantor requested flagging existing programs for Council members as opposed to established ongoing programs for future decision making.

- Patricia Owen commented that the Behavioral Health Comprehensive Grant programs are granted in three-year cycles, and the grantees are already established with no new competition. They are primarily substance abuse, suicide prevention, and mental health promotion, but they can be more comprehensive than that, because communities have been using it for adverse childhood experiences, which relates to DV/SA essentially. Patricia commented that with regards to the Safe Children's Task Force Act implementation, she wonders if there will be any funding this year or next year to help support prevention/education.
- Commissioner Folger gave a brief explanation of the Department of Safety's budget situation, and posed the question, is CDVSA in the right place inside of the DPS, and in his belief is that it is because of prevention.

Richard Irwin commented that from a leadership perspective, the Council can chose to try and manage what they have, but as leaders, they have to think past the management, thinking about what are things they can do to come up with solutions. His challenge to the Council members was to think of what they can do to bring solutions that are able to address the shortfalls that have been created because of the lack of revenue streams.

**FY2017 GUIDANCE FROM OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET  
NECESSARY INFORMATION TO PRODUCE BY THE END OF THE AUGUST  
MEETING  
FUNDING PROCESS FLOW CHART**

Lauree Morton directed the Council members' attention to the informational documents that were included in the board packet. The funding flow chart is intended to help Council members understand the way in which the state's budget flows. Lauree noted that in previous years, the Council has been asked to provide a separate presentation in the budget subcommittee, and CDVSA is prepared to do that again, should it be requested.

**FY2016 INCREMENTS NOT ACCEPTED**

Lauree Morton directed the members' attention to the document titled *FY16 Increments That Were Not Accepted* included in the board packet, and highlighted the following information:

**Priority #1:** Shelter and associated services was accepted. The \$367.2 million was part of the alcohol tax money that came over to the Council to provide services for women and children who were or might be impacted by perpetrators with substance issues. In the midst of budget reductions, it appeared that this funding was not going to be available to the Council from the Division of Behavioral Health, so it was moved over into the base grants line. Lauree noted that the format of the requests include answering questions including why we need the increment; what is the program status; what results can Alaskans expect by when; and what other agencies might be impacted. A different format is expected for the FY17 increment requests with changes to include looking at programs that can be eliminated, and if eliminated, what are the consequences of that elimination; and if you are flat-line funded, what are the consequences of that, and what are you still going to be able to do to move forward?

**Priority #2:** The Batterer Intervention Program did not get funded; however, the Department of Corrections, through an RSA of \$35,000, gave the opportunity to build a database and get this project off the ground and going.

**Priority #3:** Outreach and Education, which was an ask of \$300,000, was denied.

**Priority #4:** Legal Assistance for Victims, which was an ask of \$100,000, was denied.

Lauree Morton noted that with regards to the social/emotional learning curricula for grades K-5 that was part of the previous Governor's domestic violence/sexual assault initiative to look at ways to help children better understand how to be healthy and not to suffer from domestic violence or sexual assault as they were growing up, as well as making their own choices about their boundaries, the Council accepted reports from the DV Initiative work group. One of the things that the Council supported at the time was social/emotional learning, and the Council would take opportunities to promote it to try and engage schools to incorporate it into their curriculums. When the Council was talking about it, there was a request for approximately \$600,000. That was a program that the Council supported that didn't make it onto the priority list last year.

Lauree Morton explained that with regards to the legal advocacy project, part of what got cut when the \$1.5 million was cut was \$60,000 that went to the pro bono project. Lauree commented that although everybody talks about that \$1.5 million reduction as prevention money, there was \$60,000 that went to the pro bono project and \$500,000 that went to research evaluations, so it wasn't only prevention dollars that were lost.

With regards to the FY2014 Pro Bono Recruitment Effort, Richard Irwin recommended that the Council write a letter to the new Chief Justice to have him encourage attorneys to participate in the program.

### **FY2016 CUTS**

At the last Council meeting, the Council members requested two budget scenarios for reductions, one at 5% and one at 10%. The 10% reduction was accepted. The proposed cuts are as follows:

- Emerging programs: -\$210,000. They will be able to use federal funds to keep programs funded through their third year, June 30, 2017, and in FY 17 there will not be money for emerging programs.
- Kids Club/Mom's Empowerment: -\$84,000, which doesn't eliminate the program, but they are only going to be able to add one shelter instead of the three they were anticipating being able to add. It will also reduce the number of times the program can be run in shelters from four to three. In FY17, there will be a further reduction from three to two.
- Victims Service Grant Line: -\$150,000 to -\$500,000. This decision was made at the last meeting to use VOCA funds to possibly have flexibility in general funds that were deemed for prevention.
- CDVSA Office: -\$102,500 by reducing the commodities line by 50%, contracts, services, and IT consulting by 50%, printing by 50%; eliminating trainer fees, eliminating the funds for BIP consulting contract, and eliminating promotions and advertising.

- Travel: -\$45,000 by reducing Council travel by two meetings, executive travel by 50%, training opportunities for stakeholders by 50%, TA travel by 50%, and eliminate the PEC meeting.

Lauree Morton reported that \$296,984 will need to come from Victim Service Grants. Lauree noted that they tried to keep things as complete as possible for this year knowing that this year they were going to have to be working to find alternative funding sources or begin winding projects down.

Richard Irwin reported that the Executive Committee met, and he gave a summary of the meeting notes. The final 2016 budget that passed the legislature and was signed by the Governor has a \$29 million unallocated reduction to the executive branch of government. Each department was assigned a percentage of the whole. The Council staff was asked to submit scenarios for a 5% and a 10% reduction. The 5% reduction takes money that the Council originally was going to use for prevention and reduces money for Kids Club Mom Empowerment, and reduces the Council office commodities by 50%. The 10% reduction includes reducing the office contracts and services and reducing travel. The remainder of the proposed reduction, \$296,984, needs to come from the Victims Service Grants line. The Executive Committee met and decided that it was important to maintain the intent behind the Council's awards made at the June meeting, and will direct Lauree Morton to take the following actions if OMB accepts the reduction to the Victim Service Grants Line:

- To maintain the FY16 awards to MFCC, \$150,000, and Victims for Justice for \$80,000; to reduce the award to the Mat-Su Community by approximately half, which would be about \$50,000; and to reduce programs who were granted increases to Part C, (SCS, AWARE, SAFV, KWRCC) back to their 2015 awarded amounts; and prorate reductions to the remaining programs in order to reach a goal of \$296,984. The Executive Committee informed Lauree Morton that she will be further directed to advise grantees of changes to their awards and the effective date of the action required by statute.

Richard Irwin opened the floor to comments. Susan Cushing asked for the itemization of the intent of the June meeting. Lauree Morton reported that at the FY16 awards, MFCC was reduced from \$167,000 to \$150,000 with the suggestion to keep them at \$150,000. VFJ was reduced to \$80,000 from \$87,000, and the recommendation was to keep them at the lower amount. There was a new program that was funded, Mat-Su Youth. It was funded for a total of \$96,005, and the thought was that there was an intent to fund that program to provide support for those services in the Mat-Su. The Executive Committee is recommending that that support be maintained, but at a reduced level, from \$96,005 down to \$50,000. There were five programs that received increased awards; Cordova for workers' comp insurance; Seaview in Seward for a part-time person; AWARE for transitional housing staff; SAFV for the Youth Program; and KWRCC Kodiak for a staff position.

Lauree Morton stated that the recommendation is to take the increases away so that programs are at their FY15 level of funding, and then prorate the rest of the amount needed to get to \$296,984 throughout the remaining programs. The remaining programs will be funded at less than what they had in FY15. Lauree stated that they

contacted the Network to get their input, and their preference was taking the five programs back to FY15 levels and prorating the rest of the reduction.

During discussion, Chris Ashenbrenner expressed her concern with funding a new or emerging program, and stated that she believes it is prudent to reexamine that decision in light of the reality of the severe budget reduction. Patricia Owen agreed, and commented that it does make sense to reduce the increases that were proposed.

Chris Ashenbrenner **MOVED** that the Council accept the reductions of a total of \$888,968 as stated on the memo from Lauree Morton to Kelly Howell on 7/6/15 with the following amendment: Under the victim services grant of \$296,984, the Mat-Su Youth Program not be funded; that there would be funding allocated to CFRC to pay for workmens' comp; and the other reductions would be as listed by the Executive Committee. Commissioner Gary Folger **SECONDED** the motion. During discussion, Susan Cushing asked for some time to look at the draft budget reductions to see if there is something that could be adjusted in an attempt to try and protect programs. With the motion and second on the table, the Council took a break. Upon returning from break, a roll call vote was taken, and the motion **PASSED**. (6/0/1)

Chris Ashenbrenner expressed her appreciation to the CDVSA staff and the Executive Committee stating that they all know how hard this process is, especially when they know it's going to be fiscally challenging.

### **POTENTIAL AVAILABLE FUNDING SOURCES**

Lauree Morton directed the Council members' attention to the potential available funding sources document contained in their meeting packet, and explained that currently CDVSA is authorized in FY16 to accept \$12,241,900 in general funds, interagency receipts of \$790,000, and \$3,711,100 in federal funds, for a total of \$16,743,000, which is what they can get, but not necessarily what they will get. It is just the authorization to accept that amount of money in those categories. For example, with regards to interagency receipts, since the Council no longer has an RSA with H&SS or with the Governor's office, their primary RSA is with the Department of Corrections, but the Department of Public Safety's budget department wanted to make sure that the Council had money in authority to be able to receive money in interagency receipts in case there was an opportunity to do something for another department or division. In interagency receipts, the Council actually has approximately \$500,000.

With regards to the federal funds, the Council receives formula grants, which includes the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA), the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA), and the Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP), as well as the Services Training Officers and Prosecutors (STOP). Currently the Council has two federal competitive grants, which include Supervised Visitations Safe Exchange Program (SVSE) and Grants To Encourage Arrest (GTEA).

With respect to potential sources of federal funds, there are several different grant programs through the Office of Violence Against Women that are competitive in nature for which the Council could apply for to help with services but not with prevention efforts. Lauree Morton noted that the points to pay attention to when applying for competitive grants is one, whether or not there's another state agency applying for the

grant; and two, whether or not the Network or any funded programs are applying for the same grant, because the Council does not want to be in competition with them. Often times with competitive grants, the Council goes in with a group of people already designated as the recipients of that money if the Council is successful in getting it. As a potential place for research or evaluation funds, occasionally there are grant opportunities for which the Council would be eligible through the National Institute of Justice.

Lauree Morton reported that with regards to corporate sponsorship and local community partnerships, these are two items that CDVSA would be able to support their funded programs in accessing, but the Council itself does not have receipt authority, so they would not be able to take money in and distribute it.

### **FY2016 CUTS**

#### **REVIEW CURRENT STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS**

Lauree Morton led the Council members through a review of the current formula grants and highlighted the following information:

#### **VOCA Grant:**

- The funds are their own separate fund called the Crime Victims Fund, a special account where federal fines get placed, and Congress is responsible for the allocation of those funds to serve victims of crime. The grant that the Council receives is under the formula victim assistance grant.
- The formula grants are based on population. Each state receives a minimum of \$500,000, and the remainder is distributed to states proportional to the population.
- The grant award period is four years. Historically the Council has recognized all of the money in the first year of the four years in which it can be spent. This year, because of the one-year increase and because of what the Council is facing at the state level, the Council is dividing those funds into four years, using the full 48-month grant award period to hopefully help provide consistency.
- The specific purpose areas and federal statutory requirements include:
  - Domestic violence
  - Sexual assault
  - Child abuse, both physical or sexual
  - Other violent crimes, including DUI/DWI, crashes, elder abuse, adults molested as children, survivors of homicide victims, robbery, assault, and stalking.
- A minimum of 10% must support each purpose area, 5% for administration purposes, and it's the states' responsibility to identify where the remainder of funds go.
- The Council is tasked with making the distribution to these four areas and then has historically decided that the remainder, 55%, would go to domestic violence and sexual assault services, since the need is so great in our state.

Lauree Morton reported that to be able to receive a grant from the Council, an organization has to fit the following criteria:

- An entity has to be a public agency, non-profit, or a combination of both.
- Demonstrate a record of providing effective services.
- Report whether or not they use volunteers.

- Be willing to help crime victims fill out VCC filings.
- Coordinate efforts to aid crime victims in their communities.
- Doesn't discriminate against victims because they disagree with the prosecution of the criminal case.

Lauree Morton noted that the Council's programs provide some or all of the following services:

- Crisis intervention, crisis lines
- Emergency shelter
- Information and referrals
- Support groups
- Legal advocacy
- Support within the criminal justice system
- Personal advocacy
- Emergency financial assistance

Lauree Morton noted that the reporting requirements are being updated this year. For several years, there's been an annual required report that tracks the unduplicated number of victims, the number of services that were provided, and then a narrative that talks about four different instances where crime victims have been assisted with VOCA funds.

The way in which the Council has distributed VOCA funds is that they do not require that each program provides service in each of the concentration areas, but they are required to document how funds are expended in the areas they do provide. Contained within the Council's combined RFP for state general funds, VOCA funds, and Family Violence Prevention and Services Act funds, the applicants have to describe their use of volunteers and describe their services in the purpose areas.

FVPSA is the Council's only formula grant that comes through the Health & Human Services Department under the Administration of Children and Families. The FVPSA Act itself was just reauthorized approximately a year ago, and they have an authorization of funds that Congress can appropriate of \$175 million. The formula grant breakdown is as follows:

- 70% to states
- 10% Tribal grants
- 10% state and territorial domestic violence coalitions
- 6% training and technical assistance
- 2.5% monitoring, evaluation, and administrative costs
- 1.5% discretionary projects.

Alaska receives \$600,000 plus any funds prorated on a population base. Alaska historically receives \$600,000 to \$700,000. The grant award period is two years. The Council has historically recognized 75% in the first year and 25% in the second year, because the grants don't come out timely with other fiscal reporting.

With regards to the state formula grants, 5% can be used for administration, and 95% goes to community-based services. Of that 95 %, 70% has to go for immediate shelter, and then not less than 25% has to be used for supportive services and/or prevention services. Sexual assault services cannot be provided with FVSPA funds. The eligible organizations have to be a non-profit or a public agency with a demonstrated history of

effective work in the field, or community-based organizations with a demonstrated history of providing services to specific populations.

With regards to the services an organization provides, those include supportive services and emergency shelter. The organization must provide annual reporting that includes a report on unduplicated number of people seeking services to include age, race, and gender; a narrative describing use of FVSPA funds and what would be done if FVSPA funds were not available; what the efforts are to meet the needs of the underserved; what the outreach activities are; what the unmet needs are; and a program participant story.

In addition, FVSPA has two outcome measures states are required to make available to program participants and encourage their participation:

1. Resource outcome: Do you know more about what resources and help are available to you and how to access those resources?
2. Safety outcome: Do you know more or different intervention strategies for safety than you did before?

The Council divides the FSVPA funds proportionately among funded programs with domestic violence residential services, and the RFP minimums include the efforts to meet needs of the underserved and a description of prevention/outreach activities.

Lauree Morton reported that with regards to the Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP), it is the newest federal funding stream for services. It's the first federal funding stream solely dedicated to provide sexual assault services. It has four different funding streams. It funds states, tribes, state sexual assault coalitions, tribal coalitions, and culturally specific organizations. The purpose is essentially providing services to victims and associated victims affected by sexual assault.

The Council incorporates SASP funding into the funding stream and proportionally distributes it to each program; however, there was a decision made to separate those funds out from the victim service grants and have programs apply for it separately. Currently TWC, AWARE, IAC and the Kenaitze Indian Tribe are the four organizations that receive SASP funding.

### **EXPLORE POTENTIAL NEW REVENUE**

Lauree Morton directed the Council members' attention to the potential new revenue document, which mainly speaks to the competitive grants that may be available through OVW. Lauree made the following recommendation:

Appoint an ad hoc subcommittee for the purpose of determining a budget and spending plan for federal funds. Committee members could include a Council member, Council staff, Network representative, a funded program representative from both victim services and batterer intervention programs, a representative from FVPSA tribal grantees and STOP tribal grantees. The committee work product would be an overall plan incorporating federal funds into the Council's budget to include formula grants (STOP, VOCA, FVPSA and SASP) as well as competitive opportunities.

Lauree Morton reviewed the potential competitive grant awards, which included opportunities through the elder abuse funding; Grants To Encourage Arrest for strengthening first responders responses; the grant to support families in the Justice System, which is what the Council's supervised visitation safe exchange program falls under; the rural grant, which has been expanded and is no longer just domestic violence but includes sexual assault and stalking; training and services for women with disabilities; and transitional housing. The Council has not applied for transitional housing before, but there are some of the Council's programs that have applied for and receive transitional housing dollars. Then there are OVW competitive awards that the state cannot apply for, but that the Council could help eligible entities apply for by either serving as a stakeholder partner, providing guidance in completing the grant application, and holding technical assistance teleconferences for entities.

Lauree Morton noted that the OVW grant opportunities provide the most flexibility and longer periods of spending and might be counted on more easily than some of the other kinds of federal programs the Council may find that they can apply for.

The following questions were asked by Council members:

**Q: What would the staffing requirement be for an ad hoc subcommittee?**

A: Lauree Morton and one other staff member.

**Q: How often do the competitive grant opportunities come about where no one in the state has applied for it?**

A: Sometimes, but not always. There are cases in which for some grants, the Network would apply for it one year, and the Council would apply for it the next year.

**Q: How much experience does the Council have with competitive grants that are also being applied for by tribal governments? How would we access that information in a coordinated way to not be competing with the tribes?**

A: Lauree Morton suggested list of people to participate on the committee that includes two tribal grantee representatives of current programs.

**Q: What is the willingness of all those people coming together, have you asked them?**

A: Pretty high. People are searching for dollars, and if the Council can do it in a way where it gets more money into the state, people would be open to that.

**Q: When the federal government reviews the Council funding, what are the Council's chances in a competitive arena?**

A: They have been pretty good over the years. More often than not when we apply, we receive the grant.

After a short discussion related to the staff's recommendation to form an ad hoc committee, the consensus of the Council members was that they would like to see something with more detail about what the goal is, how it would work, and what kind of resources it would take to do it. The Council directed Lauree Morton to test the waters in the communities and come up with a clearer plan for the Council to consider. The Council members asked to have an agenda item at the October meeting to continue the discussion. Lauree Morton asked Council members to think about what grants the Council should apply for, if any, regardless of whether or not an ad hoc committee is formed, because she will have to submit the applications before the Juneau meeting in order to take advantage of funds for FY17.

## **VICTIM SERVICES OVERVIEW**

### **UNMET GRANT REQUESTS/LOSS FROM OTHER FUNDERS**

Lauree Morton directed the members' attention to the document in the board packet titled *Victims Services Overview*, and the first topic was a review of the program requests whereby there was \$12 million to disburse, and the programs' requests were a little over \$13.6 million, leaving \$1.6 million of unmet needs to provide services for FY16.

Lauree Morton reported that at the last meeting, Council members requested a summary of potential losses from other funders for the programs, and an outline documenting potential losses was included in the board packet. In summary, the total potential reductions at the low end report to be \$1,162,193 to, at the high end, \$1,270,193, plus the unknown reductions to AFS and AWIC. In addition to what is reported, there have been new reports that SAFV in Sitka, which has historically gotten a \$53,000 grant from Tlingit Haida will suffer a reduction of \$33,000, reducing the grant to \$20,000; and Haven House in Homer lost their city grant, which was \$15,000. In addition to the amounts of money the programs requested from the Council and the reductions the Council is going to apply, programs are looking at a further reductions or cutbacks in their services.

### **STAFF RETENTION**

Lauree Morton provided a document in the board packet that reviewed the new addition to the RFP, which is the language of the RFP as it relates to staff retention requests regarding training on trauma-informed care, stress reduction activities, staff retreats, increased supervisory support and employee recognition, and the cost related to those activities, and noted that because of the fiscal reductions, none of these activities that programs brought forward will be funded. Lauree Morton suggested that Council members keep these requests in mind as the Council gets ready to open the grant cycle up for FY18 and FY19. This would be one of the areas that Lauree suggested the Council try to find federal grants for.

Lauree Morton suggested that as a multi-year approach for staff retention, for FY16 she can make a request to participate on a national workgroup of state administrators to develop some policies and practices around the need for trauma-informed practice for staff retention and for how to incorporate that into the daily activities of shelters and rape crisis centers. The Network has formed a committee in Alaska to review trauma-informed practice models and develop guidelines for their member programs. She also suggested that perhaps the Victim Service Regulations Review Committee could add into their thinking what would be helpful in regulation regarding staff retention. And then in 2017, Lauree could consult with the National Center on Domestic Violence and possibly hold some training and skill-building conferences. And then in the FY18-19 RFPs, look at funds for implementation or stabilization of trauma-informed services.

## **OUTCOME MEASURES**

**BUDGET: PREVENTION, CRISIS INTERVENTION, ACCOUNTABILITY  
PROGRAMS: VICTIM SERVICES AND BATTERER INTERVENTION  
PRO BONO AND RESEARCH**

Lauree Morton directed the members' attention to the Outcome Measures section in the board packet and stated that the documents give an overview of the different ways in which the Council is gathering information about the effectiveness of different services that are provided. The FY2015 data will be available in October. Lauree Morton noted that the prevention measures will need to be revised this year, since there is a dramatic reduction in prevention funding.

### **COMMENTS FROM ANDVSA**

Suzi Pearson, the Executive Director of AWAIC in Anchorage and chair of the Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault gave an update of the activities of ANDVSA. Suzi reported that Peg Brown has resigned as the executive director of the Network, and her last day is September 1<sup>st</sup>. The board is working through the process for recruiting and hiring the executive director's position. A recruiter has been hired to do the vetting and help the board with the initial process. As far as transition of the executive director's position, Peg Brown is contracting with the Network to help, and she will be part of the decision making. The board chose not to hire an interim director as they do not feel that it is necessary with Peg's engagement and the staff's level of skill. Suzi reported that currently there are no other staff changes at the Network.

Suzi Pearson reported that Anchorage's new mayor, Mayor Berkowitz, put together several transition teams to deal with multiple subjects and areas of concern in the Anchorage communities, and one of the teams was focused on public safety. The Network had people who engaged on those transition teams, both from non-profits and Alaska Native corporations. Suzi reported that through those transition teams, a recommendation that came from two separate transition team committees was the engagement and implementation of Green Dot. The week before he took office, Mayor Berkowitz contacted AWAIC and said he wanted his executive team trained in Green Dot. They did, they loved it, and the Mayor has now embraced it fully. He wants all municipal employees to be trained in Green Dot. He had a training last week that was offered where ABC, Fox, and CBS news showed up to report on it. Since that training, the Network has received eight contacts to do Green Dot presentations in the community. The Network's capacity level for trainers is not sufficient for the expectations of what the Network wants to do, the dream of Anchorage becoming a Green Dot city and Alaska becoming a Green Dot state. The only way the Network can do it is with the continued support of the state. Suzi stated that she hopes that the Council prioritizes and considers how important this will be for the community and the state to be a leader in prevention. Suzi noted that there will be an Anchorage Police Department Green Dot police car, which is exciting and fun.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Richard Irwin opened the floor to Council comments.

Patricia Owen commented that with the signing of the Alaska Safe Children's Act, which is going to require sexual abuse and assault prevention and awareness in schools, the legislation calls for a task force to meet this year to develop recommendations to the Department of Education on model curricula for schools and training materials. Patricia stated that their commissioner is going to be the Department's designee, and there will be four legislators, two senators, two House members, Lauree from the Council, a

representative from the Children's Trust, a representative from the Rasmuson Foundation, and representation from Suicide Prevention Council on the task force. The first meeting will be scheduled this fall.

Patricia Owen commented that with regards to the social/emotional learning in schools that was put that forward last year and it didn't go anywhere, she would encourage this Council to go back and review the white paper that was adopted at the last meeting that had not only the social/emotional learning in it, but also it had the early childhood education and things like that for consideration in prevention programs.

Commissioner Gary Folger updated the Council on the activities of the Department of Safety: As of July, there were approximately 62,000 service calls year to date, and the homicide rate is off the charts compared to other years.

Phil Cole commented that he has personally made it his own mandate that he get as far out into the weeds as he can get with regards to homelessness to find those whose needs are not being met. He commented that it is important to write policy on homelessness and hunger and abuse, but have we experienced those things? If policies are written that are real, we can overcome all the challenges that we're faced with. Right now, we are challenged with finances, but where is the wellness for all of our returning citizens?

Richard Irwin updated the Council on the activities of Shepherd's Care Forum. He will be presenting at a clergy luncheon and training on DV/SA in the next month. They put together a Shepherd's Care Forum website and put materials on it, and the website continues to get traction and a lot of inquiries. Richard stated that when he and Lauree were at the United Nations, they met one of the key members, Dr. Lisa Whitehead, who will be coming to Alaska to teach about issues around DV/SA within the church community. Richard commented that resolving DV/SA issues is a challenge, but it seems that people are becoming aware and saying, okay, this is something we need to stop, and it seems to be coming from all facets of society.

### **RECESS**

Richard Irwin recessed the meeting at 3:40 p.m.

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

**1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Budget Meeting  
Crime Lab  
4805 Dr. MLK Jr. Avenue  
Anchorage, Alaska  
July 22-23, 2015**

**Committee Members Present**

Richard Irwin – Chair  
Phil Cole  
Susan Cushing  
Commissioner Gary Folger  
Patricia Owen  
Jim Cantor  
Rachel Gernat – telephonic

**Guests**

Saralyn Tabachnick, AWARE – telephonic  
Cheri Smith, LSC  
David Wilson, AFS  
Brenda Stanfill, IAC – telephonic

**Staff**

Lauree Morton  
Angela Wells  
MaryBeth Gagnon – telephonic  
Maggie Reinhardt – telephonic  
Ann Rausch – telephonic

**Minutes Prepared by:** Sheila Garrant, Peninsula Reporting

Thursday, July 23, 2015

**CALL TO ORDER**

Richard Irwin called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m., and roll call was taken. Richard shared a quote with the Council members, “Just because the tide is out does not mean there’s less water,” and he encouraged the Council members to think creatively.

**OFFICE BUDGET**

**Personnel Services**

Lauree Morton presented the office budget to the Council members. She reported that the CDVSA is fully staffed with an office assistant; administrative assistant; two program coordinators, who work with the victim service programs and BIP programs; one program coordinator, who works primarily in FVSPA and prevention; one program coordinator, who is working primary with federal grants; and the executive director. The budget for personnel is approximately \$900,000, which includes the salaries and the state benefits.

**Travel**

Lauree Morton presented the travel budget. Lauree reported an increase in in-state travel and a decrease in out-of-state travel. She noted that as the prevention efforts contract, the travel expenses will contract.

**Contractual**

Lauree Morton presented the contractual budget, which are all the services that, as part of the Department of Public Safety, CDVSA is responsible in sharing the cost for, and this is CDVSA’s portion of those costs.

**Commodities**

Lauree Morton presented the budget for commodities and noted that this was an area where reductions were made for FY16.

**Equipment**

Lauree Morton reported that there are no funds in equipment, and there has not been for a few years. She noted that funds for equipment are not necessary at this time.

Lauree Morton stated that she has the budget presentation that CDVSA did in the House, which offered different ways to look at the budget not only in terms of personnel and travel, but in terms of projects and their activities. Several Council members requested a copy of the budget presentation. Phil Cole requested a cost budget on the office floor repair.

Richard Irwin commented that he lacked an understanding of why the Council staff has to deal with an unhealthy office environment, and where it is you turn for help to resolve issues that affect the staff and the work that is being done. Jim Cantor suggested the deputy commissioner of Administration as a point of contact for those types of concerns.

**RESEARCH/EVALUATION**

Lauree Morton directed the Council members’ attention to the research and evaluation tab in the board packet and noted that there is currently no funding for research and/or

evaluation. Both the funding that was available through the initiative and the funds in the base budget have been deleted from the FY16 budget. The base budget funds of \$290,000 were deleted in the Governor's amended budget, and the rest of the money that was used for research was deleted when the \$1.5 million reduction was made.

In FY15, the Council supported the five-year look back for the Alaska Victimization Survey, added adverse childhood experience questions to the survey, and incentives for the YRBS. The Council also supported a knowledge, attitudes, and beliefs study, and the results of that study may be ready to share at the August meeting. The Council supported a baseline for the BIP program, and the database is up and running, and approved programs can enter their data. The Council also supported the process evaluations for the prevention activities, including the Prevention Summit, Green Dot, and Coaching Boys Into Men. The Council also supported the three-year study of the 4<sup>th</sup> R. Lauree noted that it is unfortunate that the Council will not be able to continue on with those projects. Lauree is going to be meeting with Dr. Rosay, who is the director of the Justice Center at the University of Alaska Anchorage, and they will be talking through ways in which they can continue the regional victimization surveys, because FY16 should be the five-year look back for Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Bristol Bay. Bristol Bay is one area where there could be some cooperation with the Native corporation to put forward some funding for the project.

The Dashboard is data the Council collects, but it is not something that the Council pays for. It is not new information, it is just a holding place for all the different parts and pieces of information from state divisions and departments that work on the issues. That information is already being collected, the Council just puts it together in one place, so the Dashboard will continue.

Council members entered a discussion of how valuable research and evaluation is to decision making on funding programs and where to focus efforts. Susan Cushing stated that with regards to the Alaska Victimization Survey, the Council has paid \$2.5 million to get to year five, which is a milestone year, and she supports trying to find a way to at least get the five-year comparison survey to validate the work that has already been done and paid for in whatever regions are more viable and has the integrity of results that the Council can use. Lauree Morton posed the question to the Council members: What do you want staff to factor into the FY17 budget, and how do you want staff to factor it? The consensus of the Council was they would like to try to fund some research and talk about it in a way that is performance measure based and also gives the state a view as to whether or not the previous efforts are starting to have an impact. Lauree Morton stated that she will report at the next meeting the results of her meeting with Dr. Rosay, and staff will look for opportunities for federal evaluation funds for current projects that the Council could apply for.

### **FEDERAL PROJECTS**

Lauree Morton directed the Council members' attention to the federal projects document included in the board packet, and reviewed the grants and the current expenditures.

With regards to the Service Training Officers Prosecutor Grant (STOP), there are two open grants that are federal formula grants that come to states and territories. There is

\$500,000 minimum that each state gets, and then anything that Congress allocates over that is a population-based distribution. Alaska has historically received between \$700,000 and \$835,000, and 30% of the funding goes to victim services; 25% goes to law enforcement activities; 25% to prosecution; 5% for the judiciary; and 15% can be discretionary, but has to be spent within the four categories. There are 20 purpose areas for STOP, and there is a requirement for a three-year plan for how STOP funds are expended in the state. Lauree explained that by executive order, former Governor Knowles and each Governor subsequently has signed an executive order that states that the law enforcement portion of the money goes to the troopers; the prosecution part of the money goes to the Department of Law; the judiciary part of the money goes to the court system; and the Council itself is responsible for the victim services and discretionary portions of that budget. The problem with the process is that even though the Council is the state administrator for all of the funding and is responsible for reporting and monitoring, they don't have any influence in making sure that those funds get spent. The Council has worked very hard to close out old grants and is working on trying to spend old money first. Lauree stated that there have been discussions about approaching the Governor's office to change the executive order so that the Council is responsible for all of the funding, not that the Council still wouldn't give it to the DOL or the troopers or the court system, but if they weren't spending it, the Council would be able to recover the funding and get it back out into the community for other law enforcement purposes or other municipal prosecutors, or some way to be better stewards of the money on a more timely basis.

After a brief discussion regarding the specifics of how the Council would handle the administration and adhere to the requirements under the grant, the Council agreed that before a letter was written, the Council members would like to have more information on the breakdown of how the entities have done historically expending their portion of the funds and a one-page white paper on the pros and cons of the Council becoming the full administrator of the STOP grant.

With regards to Victim of Crime Act (VOCA), the grant funds go out through the regular victim service grants. These are four-year grants and have a good track record of being expended in the first two years of the four-year period. Lauree Morton noted that the \$4.9 million grant that is anticipated is not listed because it has not been received.

With regards to the Sexual Assault Service Formula Grant Program (SASP) and the Alaska Family Violence Prevention Services grant (FVPSA), those were discussed on day one of the meeting under agenda item titled *Review Current State and Federal Funds*.

With regards to Grants to Encourage Arrest (GTEA), which is a competitive grant, it is a cooperative grant between the Council, the Network, and the Alaska Institute for Justice, in which they are improving language access particularly for the funded programs, providing interpreter training, interpreters in court, et cetera.

With regards to the Alaska Supervised Visitation Program grant, which is a competitive grant, it is a cooperative grant with the Alaska Center for Non-Violent Living. The program in Fairbanks has opened a supervised visitation center called the Birch Center.

The Council has reapplied for a continuation of that grant, and hopes to hear back before October 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **CONTINUATION OF FY16 EMERGING PROGRAMS**

Chris Ashenbrenner **MOVED** to accept the FY16 emerging programs funding as presented in the packet using a combination of state general funds (\$40,000) and federal funds (STOP/SASP) for a total of \$210,000. Susan Cushing **SECONDED** the motion. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion **PASSED**. (7/0)

### **PREVENTION – CATEGORIES OF PREVENTION**

Lauree Morton directed the members' attention to the last tab in the board packet titled *Prevention*. Included was the Pathways to Prevention Annual Report, which is an at-a-glance view of the prevention activities that have taken place this past year, and the 2015 Evaluation of Prevention Strategies. Lauree presented a brief description of the following programs:

- 4<sup>th</sup> R – The Council supported the evaluation, teacher training, and curricula. In FY16, the program will continue with funds through Health & Social Services in a federal grant.
- Green Dot – FY15 was the third year of the three-year project.
- Prevention Summit – This activity will not take place in FY16 whether or not there is funding available for prevention activities. It was well received, and there are now 19 communities that are working on prevention plans and have benefitted from the conferences.
- Girls On The Run (GOTR) – In 2015, AWARE applied for and was awarded the statewide GOTR Council. It covers all areas of the state except for Anchorage, because Anchorage has its own Council called South Central. This past year, efforts have been made to develop a complimentary program called Boys Run, and it will provide the ability for boys 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade to participate in similar activities as the GOTR do.
- Coaching Boys Into Men (GOIM) – There were two trainings this year, and there will be one in FY16 if there is funding available. The Council wants to focus this year on providing technical assistance and support to coaches that have been through the training and follow them through the implementation of the training.
- Alaska Men Choose Respect mini-grants and COMPASS Guidebook – The hope is to be able to continue some of the activities in FY16, particularly the COMPASS Guidebook, which was the newest effort to engage men and boys in ending violence against women. The mini-grants are also an excellent way for individuals in the communities that have an idea about way in which they can interact in their community to prevent violence. The youth grants are \$2,500 - \$5,000, and the adult grants are \$5,000 and \$10,000.
- Media efforts include:
  - Respect is Always the Right Choice
  - Real Alaskans Choose Respect/Real Alaskan Men Choose Respect
  - Stand Up Speak Up
  - When I am an Elder
- The Talk Now Talk Often project was the parent engagement activity. The Network helped focus groups around the state with parents talking to them about

what kinds of things they needed in order to talk to their kids about domestic violence and sexual assault and healthy relationships. There is a website for Talk Now Talk Often. Future plans for Talk Now Talk Often included more in-depth content speaking to sexual health, dating violence, and peer relationships.

Susan Cushing asked for a description of the Training Bureau for Green Dot. Lauree Morton explained that there is a group of people who have been trained to go into communities to work with community members to learn about Green Dot and to train through the written curriculum, and then continued support to work with the community as they implement Green Dot.

After a discussion about how important all the programs are in their own special ways and the unpalatable task of having to reduce or eliminate funding for prevention, Lauree Morton recommended deferring to the prevention experts to make recommendations and work up a plan of reductions and amounts.

Jim Cantor **MOVED** to designate \$400,000 to prevention. \$100,000 will be left undesignated at this time with direction to CDVSA staff to look at the \$100,000 and come back to the next meeting with a suggestion as to whether it should go to research, evaluation, or other legitimate purpose. The motion was **SECONDED** by Chris Ashenbrenner. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion **PASSED. (7/0)**

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Patricia Owen expressed her appreciation to Ann Rausch for her work in prevention.

Susan Cushing expressed her appreciation to the whole team over the years that have produced such great results with these prevention programs and sustaining shelter programs and raising awareness in the state. She stated that it is incredibly profound work and it is a real honor to be a part of it. Susan also welcomed the new people on the Council, and said thank you and good-bye to Rick Svobodny, Ree Sailors, and Peggy Brown.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Richard Irwin thanked the Council members and CDVSA staff for their contributions, and adjourned the meeting at 12:15 p.m.

## 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
BRFSS	Behavior Risk Factor Surveillance Survey
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 Public Safety
DPS	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
KCME	Kid's Club Mom's Empowerment
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
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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

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

**1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Council Meeting  
Video Conference/Teleconference  
801 W 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Juneau, Alaska  
550 W. 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 1970, Anchorage, Alaska  
August 19, 2015**

**Committee Members Present**

Richard Irwin – Chair  
Susan Cushing – telephonic  
Commissioner Gary Folger – telephonic  
Patricia Owen  
Jim Cantor  
Commissioner Ron Taylor  
Rachel Gernat – telephonic  
Donna Erickson – telephonic

**Guests**

Amanda Price, SOA, Governor's Office – telephonic  
David Wilson, AFS – telephonic

**Staff**

Lauree Morton  
Angela Wells

**Minutes Prepared by: Sheila Garrant, Peninsula Reporting**

August 19, 2015

**CALL TO ORDER**

Richard Irwin called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m., and roll call was taken.

**AGENDA REVIEW**

Rachel Gernat **MOVED** to approve the agenda. The motion was **SECONDED** by Donna Erickson. Hearing no objection, the motion **PASSED. (7/0)**

**CONFLICT INQUIRY**

Richard Irwin polled the Council members for any conflicts of interest, and none were reported.

**JUNE MINUTES**

Rachel Gernat **MOVED** to approve the June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015, 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter meeting minutes as amended. Donna Erickson **SECONDED** the motion. Hearing no opposition, the motion **PASSED. (7/0)**

Discussion of the June minutes began. Susan Cushing asked for the public comment transcripts, which Lauree stated would be sent out immediately.

**JULY NOTES**

Lauree Morton presented her notes of highlights during the July meeting because minutes were not present. Both July and August minutes will be in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Meeting packet.

**FY2016 – PREVENTION/EVALUATION FUNDS**

Lauree gave a brief history of what had been decided in the last few meetings about the Prevention increment, bringing the Council up to speed and current funding.

Lauree Morton stated that the draft budget reduces prevention over \$1.4 million. What is stated is the reduced amount that is left and is available for FY16. Each prevention effort is going to be reduced. What is recommended is that the Council preserves some of the evaluation with prevention that is sustainable through this year. All prevention efforts are being reduced in FY16.

Patricia Owen commented that she supports the evaluation money being used as part of the prevention money. She noted that this is a way of looking at still being accountable by being able to evaluate programs without the big research projects like the Victimization Survey or new research studies.

Jim Cantor asked for an explanation of the \$20,000 from the \$100,000 for prevention efforts including evaluation. Lauree Morton stated that there is an outreach coordinator or an education coordinator in the current programs, and the Council's prevention coordinator has been working with them and providing opportunities for them to get together statewide to work on consistent messaging and plans for being out in

communities, and the \$20,000 is to help that project. Jim asked if the budget was sufficiently reserving capacity to evaluate? Lauree Morton stated that the prevention money will not be available for FY17, that this is the one-time money that's available because the Council brought VOCA money into the grants line in FY16, which is what the \$500,000 is based on. This year, the staff will be working diligently to find prevention money to be able to carry forward into FY17.

Patricia Owen commented that a rule of thumb in program planning is that a minimum of 10% of programming money goes to evaluation, so that would be approximately \$50,000 of the \$500,000. Patricia recommended \$50,000 to \$100,000 to keep the evaluations with the programs. Susan Cushing commented that logically, evaluation would have been built in, and it states that it is built in, so it is not clear to her how that spreads out over programs and coordinators at the staff level. Patricia Owen reminded Susan that the Council entertained the \$500,000 going to prevention, and then cautioned themselves that maybe that would leave nothing for research, so they held back the \$100,000 from prevention to put into research potentially, and this is putting it back into the prevention pot, but for evaluation.

Commissioner Ron Taylor **MOVED** that \$500,000 of state general funds dollars in FY16 will be used for prevention efforts to include evaluation within those efforts. Patricia Owen **SECONDED** the motion. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion **PASSED**.  
**(7/0)**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no one present to give public comment.

**FY2017 FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS**

**GENERAL FUNDS: 3% Reduction/Increment Requests**

Lauree Morton reported that there has been a request from OMB for the Council to submit a flat-funded draft budget and a draft budget with a 3% reduction, which would amount to \$340,000. Lauree stated that the staff will be looking for direction as to where the \$340,000 would come from. She reminded the Council members that at the February meeting, the Network and the Council agreed to eliminate \$200,000 from the Batterer Intervention Program. The options include: \$200,000 from BIP, and a further reduction of \$140,000 to Kid's Club Mom's Empowerment (KCME), or a direct reduction to the Victim Service Grant line, or a combination of reductions/eliminations.

During discussion, the Council members agreed on their priorities as follows:

1. Keep programs intact
2. KCME
3. BIP

Questions from the Council to staff included:

**Q: Has the Council gotten input from the Network on the KCME program?**

A: Staff's impression is that the programs have appreciated the opportunity to do the program, and it is getting children's services into shelters by being the first attempt at providing children's services in residence in shelters. It is currently in five shelters.

**Q: What programs have the KCME?**

A: AWARE, AWAIC, WISH, SAFV, Haven House. These were the programs that applied to have the programs in their shelters. It is a pilot in the research aspect of it, and the Council is supporting research to establish whether or not it would be evidence-based best practice in Alaska.

After a lengthy discussion, the direction from the Council to staff was should it be necessary to submit a \$340,000 reduction for the FY17 budget, \$200,000 would come from the BIP, \$140,000 would be from the Victim Service Grants line. Further direction states that the executive director would work with the funded programs to gather a recommendation from them about whether or not they would want that \$140,000 to come from KCME or to be prorated among the Victim Service Programs in their general grant awards.

**STOP ADMINISTRATION LETTER**

Lauree Morton reminded the Council members that in July, the staff made a recommendation to the Council to write a letter to the Governor's office to request that the executive order regarding STOP funds be restated that the Council is the STOP administrator and not a pass-through and that the Council would have the authority that if funds were not being spent, to expend the funds in the designated purpose areas.

Susan Cushing's concern was that the Network's involvement was not clearly stated in the request. Lauree Morton stated that the language was not in the request essentially because states are required to involve the state coalition, and without a letter from the state coalition, which is the Network, the STOP plan would not be approved. Lauree noted that she is not opposed to adding that language to the request, but it is in the federal statutes already.

Jim Cantor stated that he would ask the Council not to change the current system that has worked for 20 years. He stated that he understands there has been carryover in the past, but that at this point, that is no longer happening. He stated that the funds are an integral part of their budget, and if it turns out they run into a situation where they have to carry over, the agencies need to work together to make sure there are arrangements to spend the money. Lauree Morton stated that the Council is going to have to apply for more federal dollars. When the Council applies for more federal dollars, the Office of Violence Against Women is the predominant federal funder of these kinds of programs. If the Council is in a competitive situation with other states, other communities, other municipalities, one of the things that OVW weights into deciding on whether or not to give an award is how that entity has spent formula funds and how they've spent prior grant awards. So if the Council is constantly having to extend the current awards because they are not being spent, that has the great potential of inhibiting their ability to be successful in getting any of those awards. Lauree noted that if the Council is

awarded competitive grants and it doesn't seem to be negatively impacting that, then it could continue on in the same way. Lauree recommended there be an agreement that the Council will revisit it in 18 months and see how it has worked.

The unanimous consensus of the Council members was to table any action on requesting a letter from the Governor related to the STOP funds and revisit the topic in 12 months.

### **INCREMENT REQUEST**

Lauree Morton requested that the Council members have a discussion on whether or not to put forward a \$265,000 increment request for 2017 for research/evaluation.

After a brief discussion, Commissioner Ron Taylor **MOVED** to add the \$265,000 increment for FY17 for evaluation and research. The motion was **SECONDED** by Rachel Gernat. During discussion, Patricia Owen voiced her concern about the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System Survey (BRFSS) and having to make a special increment request for \$15,000. Lauree Morton stated that the Council participates every three years. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion **PASSED**. **(8/0)**

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Richard Irwin opened the floor to the Council members for comments.

Susan Cushing requested a summary of action items and motions that went forth at the meeting in an email in the next week to keep memories fresh on the discussions.

Patricia Owens commented that the Department of Education is looking forward to establishing the taskforce for the Alaska Safe Children's Act. Patricia is also involved in their Annual School Health and Wellness Institute in October where one of the features is the Alaska Safe Children's Act.

Richard Irwin commented that Dr. Lisa Whitehead came to Alaska and addressed a denomination related to the issues of DV/SA and action plans forthcoming about engaging with state efforts.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Ron Taylor **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting. The motion was **SECONDED** by Donna Erickson. Hearing no opposition, the meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

**Department of Public Safety**  
**FY2016 Council on Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault**  
**All Funding Sources Status**

Report Period Ending: November 30, 2015

Component Expenditures	Total Authorization	Total Expenditures	Balance
Personal Services	967,700.00	250,483.30	717,216.70
Travel	243,900.00	20,004.46	223,895.54
Services	1,613,700.00	52,932.95	1,560,767.05
Commodities	36,000.00	3,102.07	32,897.93
Capital Outlays	0.00	0.00	0.00
Grants and Benefits	12,992,700.00	6,208,330.61	6,784,369.39
<b>Totals:</b>	<b><u>15,854,000.00</u></b>		

<b>Funding Sources</b>	
General Fund	11,352,900.00
Inter-Agency Receipts	790,000.00
Federal Grants	3,711,100.00
<b>Totals:</b>	<b><u>15,854,000.00</u></b>

# CDVSA Current Federal Grants

Report Period Ending; November 30, 2015

PROGRAM	AWARD #	START	END	AMOUNT	EXPENDED	BALANCE
FFY13 STOP VAWA	FFY13 VAWA 2013 WF-AX-0044	7/1/2013	6/30/2016	185,848.67	614.99	185,233.68
FFY14 STOP VAWA	FFY14 VAWA 2014-WF-AX-0055	7/1/2014	6/30/2016	848,842.00	90,275.47	758,566.53
FFY15 STOP VAWA	FFY15 VAWA 2015-WF-AX-0007	7/1/2015	6/30/2017	800,075.00	650.00	799,425.00
FFY13 SASP	FFY13 SASP 2013-KF-AX-0032	8/1/2013	7/31/2016	174,934.48	126,651.00	48,283.48
FFY14 SASP	FFY14 SASP 2014-KF-AX-0003	8/1/2014	7/31/2016	270,588.00	52,070.61	218,517.39
FFY15 SASP	FFY15 SASP 2015-KF-AX-0027	8/1/2015	7/31/2017	299,269.00	0.00	299,269.00
FFY10 GTEA	FFY12 GTEA 2010-WE-AX-0002	3/1/2010	8/31/2015	31,670.00	0.00	31,670.00
FFY14 GTEA	FFY14 GTEA 2014-WE-AX-0021	10/1/2014	9/30/2017	528,127.90	63,152.48	464,975.42
FFY13 VOCA	FFY13 VOCA 2013-VA-GX-0043	10/1/2012	9/30/2016	5,209.77	5,033.93	175.84
FFY14 VOCA	FFY14 VOCA 2014-VA-GX-0050	10/1/2013	9/30/2017	1,484,376.00	815,654.98	668,721.02
FFY15 VOCA	FFY15 VOCA 2015-VA-GX-0060	10/1/2014	9/30/2018	4,909,151.00	0.00	4,909,151.00
FFY15 VOCA	FFY15 VOCA DISCRETIONARY 2015-VF-GX-0057	10/1/2014	9/30/2018	101,183.00	0.00	101,183.00
FFY14 FVPSA	FFY14 FVPSA G-1401AKFVPSA	10/1/2013	9/30/2015	209,252.44	209,252.44	0.00
FFY15 FVPSA	FFY15 FVPSA G-1501AKFVPSA	10/1/2014	9/30/2016	744,293.00	10,986.00	733,307.00
FFY12 SVSEP	FFY12 SVSEP 2012-CW-AX-K028	10/1/2012	9/30/2016	71,581.69	61,590.67	9,991.02
FFY15 JFF	FFY15 JFF 2015-FJ-AX-0006	10/1/2015	9/30/2018	501,015.00	0.00	501,015.00
<b>Totals:</b>				<b>11,165,416.95</b>	<b>1,435,932.57</b>	<b>9,729,484.38</b>

VAWA = Violence Against Women Act

STOP = Services-Training-Officers-Prosecution

SASP = Sexual Assault Services Program

GTEA = Grants to Encourage Arrest

VOCA = Victims of Crime Act

FVPSA = Family Violence Prevention and Services Act

SVSEP = Safe Visitation and Safe Exchange Program

JFF = Justice for Families

## Prevention Programming 2016

**Prevention:** All prevention programming funded through CDVSA have an evaluation component. Evaluation designs exist on a continuum with simple designs such as website metrics existing on one end of the continuum and advanced research designs that hold up to peer reviews on the other end. In fiscal year 2016, CDVSA funded prevention programs continue to have evaluation as an integral part of their design. Below are brief descriptions of the prevention initiatives underway in fiscal year 2016.

### ANDVSA-

#### Male Engagement:

**COMPASS:** A Guide for Men is a resource for adult male mentors who work with young Alaskan men aged 12 to 18. COMPASS presents mentors with opportunities and activities that are designed to support young men as they explore and identify their values, goals and unique identities. The activities, teachable moments and discussions described in the guide create a safe atmosphere for men and boys to learn about and practice healthy lifestyles. In addition, these strategies are designed to be easily incorporated into the day-to-day interactions that already exist between mentors and youth like team sports, camping, hiking, fishing, hunting, etc. Ultimately the guide promotes meaningful conversations between men and male youth that promote healthy identities, build positive relationships, and strengthen safe and violence-free communities.

To date there have been 6 COMPASS Trainings including Ketchikan, Anchorage, the McLaughlin Youth Center, Unalaska and Homer. There are two upcoming trainings in Old Harbor and Metlakatla. Participating communities: Cordova, Dillingham, Hoonah, Ketchikan, Manokotak, Old Harbor, Palmer, Sitka, Unalaska, Nome, Anchorage, Bethel, Fairbanks, Homer, Juneau, and Soldotna.

This year plans are underway to expand the COMPASS program by training regional trainers. Gene Tagaban who has championed the COMPASS trainings will be contracted to provide a train the trainer training for at least 5 additional trainers that can then train regionally and provide ongoing TA support for COMPASS mentors. This will include an evaluation component to help provide ongoing TA opportunities and changes to the training and COMPASS materials.

The project also provides small mini-grants to communities to help support the implementation and evaluation of COMPASS in local communities.

## Youth Leadership:

**LeadON!** is a yearly youth leadership conference which takes place in Anchorage, and which engages youth to help change norms around teen dating violence in their schools and communities. Lead On focuses on activities that allow participants to learn how to use their leadership abilities as well as develop healthy relationship skills. Perhaps most significantly, is the youth take what they have learned and start projects in their own communities, which focus on ending violence at the grass root level, and promote respect.

During the conference, national and local speakers use workshops on film, storytelling, peer education, and self-expression to help youth gain leadership and healthy relationship skills, as well as to inspire youth to bring positive change back to their communities. In fiscal year 2015; 80% of youth attendees have already carried out youth led projects in their home communities which focus on making their communities stronger and healthier. Examples of projects that took place include a school lock-in strategy that was implemented by youth in Atmautluak and Anchorage. Both projects used a school setting to engage youth in discussions that promoted respect among peers and a positive school climate. In addition, the events promoted healthy dating relationships through the development of digital stories/expressions on teen dating violence prevention that were shared among participating youth.

Lead On 2014 Digital Story : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=70JI9aI5PRg>

Lead On 2013 Digital Story: [http://www.youtube.com/watch?list=UUJ2PJDED-](http://www.youtube.com/watch?list=UUJ2PJDED-uHucGrn41mNgBw&v=c66fBMt-rKE)

[uHucGrn41mNgBw&v=c66fBMt-rKE](http://www.youtube.com/watch?list=UUJ2PJDED-uHucGrn41mNgBw&v=c66fBMt-rKE) . Lead On 2015 just completed on November 15<sup>th</sup> in Anchorage and project reporting will be available in January 2016.

**Stand Up, Speak Up (SUSU)** is a media and engagement campaign that was developed in partnership with the Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault; the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault; Alaska Department of Health and Social Services Division of Public Health; Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium and youth ages 12-18 from across Alaska. Youth from Ketchikan, Sitka, Bethel, Anchorage, Gustavus, Buckland, Kiana, Juneau, Dillingham, Akiak, Kipnuk, Mt. Edgecumbe High School and Youth Alliance for a Healthier Alaska participated in the development of SUSU materials.

Through this campaign, youth learn how to more effectively speak up and encourage other youth to stand up to end violence. The campaign focuses on six key areas: relationship basics; building a peer culture; respecting yourself; leading the way; keep respect going and getting help. The campaign includes media, a standalone website, posters and informational cards and social networking sites.

The campaign measures changes through focus groups, surveys and media metrics in: relationship values and attitudes towards respect; social norms or attitudes about violence in relationships; recall of prevention messaging; and youth engagement measures.

It includes mini-grants to support community-based projects. The community-based projects are youth led and promote leadership skills, healthy relationships and respect among their

peers. A complete listing of completed projects from can be accessed at <http://www.andvsa.org/?s=mini+grant+projects>.

This year we will continue to support youth-led community projects through the use of Stand Up Speak Up mini-grants.

We will also support youth-led community work through a series of webinars during Teen Dating Violence Prevention and Awareness Month in February. The goal is to provide youth and adults who work with youth will information, resources and tools they can use to engage their peers in violence prevention. We will evaluate the webinars through reach as well as through the use of a post survey.

**“WHEN I AM AN ELDER”** is part of the Stand Up Speak Up prevention campaign. The PSA’s are based on a poem, called “When I’m an Elder”(WIAE) created and written by Bethel Teens Acting Against Violence (TAAV) in 2002. In fiscal year 2014, the community of Old Harbor participated in the development of a new WIAE TV PSA which was then rotated into the existing spots including: Bethel, Barrow, Southeast Alaska and Minto. The WIAE campaign was awarded an Alaska Broadcast Association Goldie Award in fiscal year 2014. To learn more about WIAE and the Stand Up Speak Up prevention campaign visit: <http://www.standupspeakupalaska.org/when-i-am-an-elder/>

#### **Parent Engagement:**

**The Talk Now Talk Often (TNTO)** parent engagement project provides parents of teenagers with resources, an interactive website and conversation cards that are intended to assist parents and teens talk together about healthy dating relationships. The project was developed with the input from Alaskan parents who participated in focus group discussions across the state. The project launched statewide in February 2014 during Teen Dating Violence Awareness month. During the launch an additional 8 parents were interviewed in the communities of Barrow, Dillingham, Kotzebue, Kodiak, Sitka and Unalaska. To learn more visit the TNTO website at: <http://www.tntoak.org/>.

This year the project will continue to support communities to host Talk Now Talk Often events to bring youth and adults together to practice using the conversation cards. This will be evaluated through a post-survey.

#### **Evaluation:**

This year technical resources will be expanded for community based violence prevention programming. This will be done through the creation of a series of modules on effective evaluation of prevention programs as well as a technical assistance package that includes a cadre of evaluation tools and handouts.

## **CDVSA-**

### **Coaching Boys into Men:**

Coaching Boys into Men (CBIM) is a comprehensive violence prevention curriculum for coaches and their athletes developed by Futures without Violence. The program engages athletic coaches through the Coaches Leadership Program to help shape the attitudes and behaviors of young male athletes. Athletic coaches play an extremely influential and unique role in the lives of young men, often serving as a parent or mentor to the boys they coach. Because of these special relationships, coaches are poised to positively influence how young men think and behave both on, and off, the field. From speeches to the team, practice sessions, or simply casual conversation, coaches have many opportunities to impart their philosophies to athletes. CBIM is currently being implemented by high school coaches of male athletic teams throughout the state. CDVSA in partnership with the Department of Education and Early Development, Alaska School Activities Association, the Alaska Association of School Boards and community based programs partner to host two statewide trainings annually. In fiscal year 2015, trainings were held in Anchorage in January and June and collectively trained 40 high school coaches representing school districts from across the state. Funding is available to support one, statewide training, in the spring of 2016. Program evaluation information is available for the Juneau and Sitka projects.

### **Community Based Primary Prevention Continuation Grants:**

The Community Based Primary Prevention Program (CBPPP) grant funds are being used to continue domestic violence and sexual assault prevention efforts in the communities of Anchorage, Juneau, Sitka, and Homer. These four communities are continuing to implement strategies, first initiated with 2015 funds, to address intimate partner violence, sexual assault, and teen-dating violence. 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 and or sexual assault prevention. All CBPPP grantees are working with evaluators to evaluate their individual efforts. First progress reports are due January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

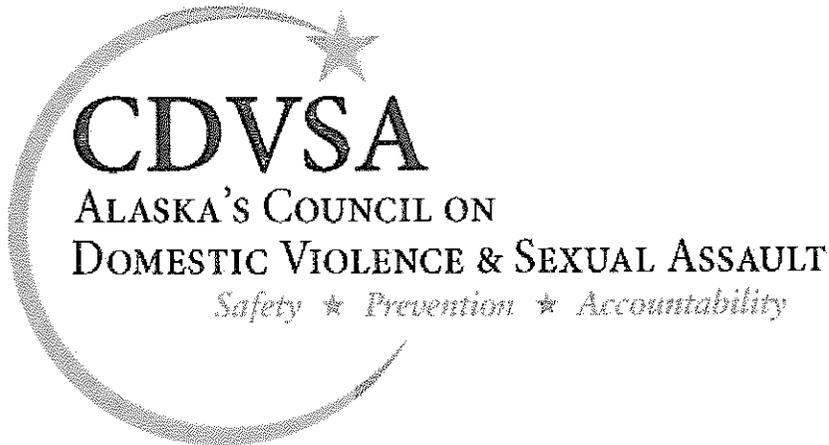
### **Green Dot Alaska (GDAK):**

Green Dot is a bystander intervention program with the goal of preparing organizations and/or communities to implement a strategy of violence prevention that consistently and measurably reduces power-based personal violence. Power-based violence includes domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, stalking, elder abuse, child abuse and bullying. The Green Dot-Alaska project was piloted in five communities: Anchorage, Bethel, Homer, Kenai and on Prince of Wales Island from fiscal year 2013-2015. Fairbanks came on board with the Green Dot University curriculum in late fiscal year 2014 and Nome participated as an unofficial pilot under separate funding throughout. The project taught community members how to safely act in potentially abusive or violent situations and encourages everyone to become involved in

promoting safety and violence free communities. This year the communities of Anchorage, Fairbanks, Homer, Kenai and Nome continue to participate in monthly teleconferences and implement community wide Green Dot programming. Plans are underway for a statewide project during Sexual Assault Awareness month in April 2016. A planning committee was recently formed and more information on the project and how to become involved during Sexual Assault Awareness month will be available in January 2016. In addition to community based green dot implementation, Alaska now has a Green Dot training bureau. The bureau meets on a monthly basis and funding is available to support trainings in two to three new communities with an interest in implementing the Green Dot strategy.

#### **PATHWAYS COMMUNITY BASED PREVENTION PROJECTS & STATEWIDE COMMITTEE PLANNING GROUP**

The Pathways to Prevention Statewide Steering Committee was convened by the Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault in 2005 as part of their Cooperative Agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The Committee serves to build the state's capacity to prevent domestic violence. The committee has focused on bringing together all available information on prevalence of DV, risk and protective factors for both victimization and perpetration, and existing prevention efforts. From this, the committee developed a comprehensive plan, Pathways to Preventing Domestic Violence. This plan represents the voices of many Alaskans from diverse professions, regions, cultures and experiences and establishes a framework to organize and coordinate prevention and promotion efforts over the next six years. Council staff serves as steering committee members and continue to contribute their expertise and resources towards the statewide pathways to prevention plan and project implementation. The Committee met on October 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> in Anchorage to review and revise the plan and also update one another on prevention initiatives across the state. To view the Pathways to Prevention statewide plan visit:<http://www.andvsa.org/?s=Pathways+plan>



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### **Alaska's STOP 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 on issues of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking and dating violence. 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. These allocations fit the grant requirements.

#### 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 expanded requirements for provision of services to LGBTQ populations and has a requirement for consulting with tribes, and requires that states comply with federal Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) regulations or use up to 5% of the allocation to come into compliance or lose 4.5% of the grant.

#### 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 Three Year Implementation Plan

OVW accepted Alaska's STOP Three Year Implementation Plan in June 2015 after CDVSA revised it that same month and demonstrated CDVSA's tribal consultation efforts with all 228 federally-recognized tribes in Alaska. To recap the planning process: CDVSA held consultation meetings with a committee consisting of stakeholders, consortia of tribes and other tribal organizations representing all Alaska tribes, the LGBTQ community, a representative of an organization of persons with disabilities, the VOCA and FVPSA grants coordinators and submitted the Plan and the application by the March 2014 deadline. We heard back from OVW in mid-summer 2014 that our Plan was not approved because CDVSA had not consulted with all 228 federally recognized Alaska tribes. Council staff discussed with OVW what constitutes tribal consultation and submitted a tribal consultation plan to the Council in November 2014 and then submitted the consultation plan to OVW. On December 11 OVW accepted our tribal consultation plan.

### 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 of 45 tribes approximately by region and held five teleconferences, one for each group of tribes. We sent by email and US Mail to each tribe these documents: DRAFT Three Year Plan; STOP Solicitation; and the CDVSA work plan for tribal consultation. CDVSA held teleconference consultations offered to Alaska's 228 tribes on five occasions starting in December 2014 and ending in March of 2015.

We incorporated the comments we received from the tribes into the plan, such as:

- SART trainings covered a lot of ground and that it seemed like a good way to use the funding.
- 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 expressed on the teleconference were that the Plan as presented is good.
- Other comments 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 it would be good to send invitations 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.

CDVSA asked for written comments, phone calls or emails from tribes be sent by April 3, 2015. CDVSA received six letters by April 3. During the month of April CDVSA held an open public comment period for the Draft Three-Year STOP Implementation Plan and received one written comment and six letters in May and June.

Staff incorporated changes to the Plan based on the tribal consultations for Council approval at the June 2015 meeting and submitted the Plan to OVW for approval along with documentation of the tribal consultation and received OVW's approval, which released the FFY14 funds to CDVSA.

### Ongoing Tribal Communications

CDVSA is using the Alaska tribes' email contact list to send notifications about webinars, grant opportunities, in-person trainings and other communications regarding issues of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking, including updates about the STOP Implementation Plan.

In October, the STOP Administrator and the Council's rural representative attended the 2015 Alaska Federation of Natives (AFN) 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Convention held in Anchorage and distributed STOP Three Year Implementation Plans and other materials about domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking. The STOP Administrator alerted the tribes by email that CDVSA would be in attendance at AFN in case anyone wanted to speak to the administrator or a council member.

### Conclusion

The Alaska Three Year STOP Implementation Plan for FFY14-FFY16 is approved by OVW and the tribal consultation requirement for the plan was met. CDVSA continues to communicate with tribes and other stakeholders and follows the STOP Implementation Plan.

The governor determined that Alaska will forego the 4.5% of STOP funding being held for PREA compliance.

In 2016, CDVSA will host a teleconference or a series of teleconferences with the same content for Alaska tribes and other stakeholders to discuss the STOP Three Year Implementation Plan to assess the plan.

CDVSA  
29<sup>th</sup> Legislature First Session  
**Legislation related to Domestic Violence and/or Sexual Assault**

**HB11** No Internet Access to Some Criminal Cases is in Senate Rules

HB11 prohibits the Court System from publishing a court record of a criminal case on a publicly available website if 60 days have elapsed from the date of acquittal or dismissal and the defendant was acquitted of all charges fined or all criminal charges against the defendant in the case have been dismissed and were not dismissed as part of a plea agreement in another criminal case or the defendant was acquitted of some of the criminal charges in the case and the remaining charges were dismissed.

**HB60/ SB25** Military Sexual Assault was not heard and is in House Military and Veteran's Affairs and Senate State Affairs

These bills open up the legislation that established the Council and adds to its duties of receiving reports of criminal offenses. It requires that information about victims of crime be kept confidential from employers or reporters. Requires the Council to annually report to the Governor about certain offenses by members of the National Guard and requires standards and procedures for the National Guard's interactions with victims of offenses of sexual assault and requires the Council to consult with the National Guard on training, prevention efforts for victims of certain offenses. This legislation would also require the Council to receive reports from victims wishing to report a sexual assault offense.

**HB117/ SB54** Sexual Assault Examination Kits is in House Finance and Senate State Affairs

These bills require a report on untested Sexual Assault Examination Kits providing the legislature with numbers from an audit to assess the extent to which the state has a backlog of untested sexual assault forensic exam kits and allows the state to determine a course of action to reduce the backlog.

**HB147** Animals: Protection/Release/Custody is in the House Judiciary

HB147 opens the Protective Order statutes. It adds language to the statute about removal of animals from a person to include that a peace officer in a domestic violence call out may prohibit an abuser from removing, harming, or disposing of an animal owned or possessed by the victim, the abuser, or any other person living in the residence, or authorize the victim to remove an animal from the abuser and grant the victim exclusive care, custody and control of an animal. Also amends divorce/dissolution statutes to include this language. In removal by authorities' cases, requires cost of care be the responsibility of the owner.

**HB165** Mitigating Factor: Sexual Assault PTSD was not heard and is in House Judiciary

HB165 allows for post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) stemming from a sexual assault to be considered a mitigating factor at sentencing for defendants at conviction of some crimes.

**SB21** Affirmative Defense to Prostitution was not heard and is in Senate Judiciary

SB21 creates an affirmative defense to the charge of prostitution. If the person was induced or caused to engage in prostitution by a sex trafficker an affirmative defense can be asserted. The intention behind the bill is to keep from re-victimizing the person who is being prostituted.

## AFS-Alaska Family Services - PALMER

### SUCSESSES

AFS worked with community partners during Sexual Assault Awareness month. Some events were the "NO More" Mat-Su Summit -speakers were Governor Sean Parnell and Iditarod Musher DeeDee Jonrowe., Choose Respect –Willow, sexual assault presentations to Job Corps students, Paint the Town Teal for Wasilla, Palmer and Upper Su, Denim Day provided denim ribbons to more than 10 schools and multiple agencies, and the Clothesline Project

AFS received funds awarded for Children Exposed to Violence in Shelters. AFS provided artistic opportunities for over 40 children in the shelter by providing personnel and art supplies.

AFS had an 155% increase in shelter program participants over FY14. Their average length of stay was 25.3 days. In FY15, 78.9% of program participants remained stably housed for at least six months after leaving shelter with the assistance of our case management services and by leveraging other grants.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

AFS gave three presentations to Job Corps students on sexual assault and available resources.

AFS participated with an informational Baby and Children's Health Fair at Mat-Su Regional Hospital and had an informational booth at the Chickaloon Health Fair.

AFS had a booth at the National Guard Event at Alcantra Armory with resources and information on domestic violence and sexual assault.

A presentation was given on sexual assault and area resources to students at Division of Juvenile Justice. AFS presented information on sexual assault at the orientation for outbound Rotary youth exchange students from all over the state of Alaska

AFS provided information about DVSA resources to case managers/patient advocates at Sunshine clinic in Talkeetna. AFS presented on cyber and sibling bullying to about 100 youth.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

A Wasilla woman was charged with murder of a man, 76, claims self-defense

Double shooting was murder-suicide, troopers say

## AVV-Advocates for Victims of Violence, Inc.-Valdez

### SUCSESSES

AVV was at full capacity this quarter, serving numerous new participants via walk-ins and referrals from the Valdez Police Department. One of the participants is someone that they have been providing services for a long time. She is a woman with many roadblocks, including disabilities and an extensive history of domestic violence and sexual abuse. While at the shelter, slowly but surely, she developed mental and physical stability. AVV was able to help her find a non-traditional job where she was very much appreciated by her supervisor and turned out to be a very good worker.

AVV underwent some remodeling and repairs this quarter, including replacing the flooring throughout the shelter and administrative offices. They were the recipient of volunteer work from ten members of the Alaska National Guard which resulted in a "make-over" of the shelter, inside and out. In return, they volunteered during the Military Appreciation Community BBQ to honor these men and women for their service.

AVV held their annual meeting during this quarter, where all staff members who worked with the agency for 5 years or more were recognized for their commitment and dedication. Volunteers were also recognized for their services.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

AVV was invited by Valdez High School to do eight classroom presentations and have a booth for their "Career Day". Approximately 90 middle and high school students came and talked with staff. The request to AVV for presentations at this school about healthy relationships, teen dating violence, child abuse, and domestic violence was overwhelming this quarter (more than double compared to past quarters). Prince William Sound Community College Nursing Department requested AVV to do a presentation about domestic violence and sexual assault. Presentations were also held at Valdez Senior Center about Elderly Abuse, as well as Puffin Early Learning Center and Hermon Hutchins Elementary School for Child Abuse. AVV provided training to the City of Valdez for their Camp Coordinator in preparation for their summer camp program and lastly at Valdez Providence Hospital (Long Term Care) for Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.

During this quarter, AVV advertised and participated in Walk A Mile In Her Shoes. Basketball athletes, Native Youth Olympic athletes, students, and male survivors of domestic violence, teachers and people that were just passing by also chose to participate. After the walk, AVV prepared a BBQ for everyone that participated in the event. All board members were present to help serve the food at the BBQ.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

During this quarter, AVV had staff turnover, which is very unusual for AVV because most of the staff is dedicated and very passionate about the work they do. For the most part, the reason for leaving the agency was relocation, which was the reason the Youth Services Coordinator left.

## AWAIC-Abused Women's Aid in Crisis-ANCHORAGE

### SUCSESSES

This quarter, Anchorage elected a new mayor. Mayor-elect Ethan Berkowitz assembled several transition teams that are relevant to AWAIC's mission. His public safety and homelessness transition teams have been actively gathering community input about priorities for the new administration. Several members of both transition teams attended Green Dot bystander trainings and overview talks. They were impressed with the powerful simplicity of the program and inspired by the possibility that this program can change community norms around violence. AWAIC and the other members of the Green Dot implementation team were notified that Mayor-elect Berkowitz intends to make Green Dot training for municipal employees one of his top priorities after taking office July 1<sup>st</sup>.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

AWAIC is in the planning phases of an expansion of the Flourishing Child Enhancement Project. The partnership aims to increase collaboration between the Anchorage Police Department, AWAIC, Cook Inlet Native Head Start, Cook Inlet Tribal Council and the Anchorage School District. There will be significant cross training between agencies as well as expanded trauma-informed clinical mental health services for children impacted by abuse. AWAIC anticipates a full-time onsite children's mental health clinician for AWAIC child program participants.

AWAIC staff participated in many events during Sexual Assault Awareness Month in support of their close partner agency, STAR and the many people served who have experienced sexual assault. AWAIC also participated in Crime Victim's Rights Week activities including a ribbon tying ceremony and an awards banquet honoring individuals who have provided excellent supports to crime victims hosted by Victim's for Justice.

A shocking murder suicide involving two young children and their mother prompted an outpouring of shock, grief and anger by the Anchorage community. Suzi Pearson, AWAIC's Executive Director appeared live on KTUU after the incident to discuss ways victims can access help if needed. Melissa Emmal, AWAIC's Deputy Director appeared live on KTVA's evening news on May 21, 2015 to discuss the incident and ways that community members can get involved in preventing tragic acts of violence in the community.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

A lack of detox beds in Anchorage continues to be a problem for AWAIC and for those in need. Due to a licensing issue, the Ernie Turner Center, one of Anchorage's few detox facilities is unable to provide the service much of the time. This is due to a regulation that states that a Registered Nurse (RN) must do the assessment and intake process. They have been unable to keep an RN on staff due to a shortage of candidates and more competitive pay and benefits at larger healthcare facilities. Recent talks with Covenant House Alaska has uncovered that the homeless youth population is also challenged significantly by the lack of beds.

There were 4 reported domestic violence related murders this quarter.

## AWARE-Aiding Women in Abuse and Rape Emergencies-JUNEAU

### SUCSESSES

During the fourth quarter of FY2015, AWARE sheltered 68 women and 32 children for 2,660 nights of emergency safe shelter. AWARE offered 10, 580 nights of safe shelter to 164 women and 114 children during FY2015. The prior highest total for shelter nights at AWARE was in 2014, when they provided 8,451 nights of safe shelter.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

AWARE marked April 2015's Sexual Assault Awareness Month with several exciting events. On April 18<sup>th</sup> 22 women (8 were mom and daughter combinations) participated in a 6 hour Self Defense Class for Women. This was the best attendance for this event in the 25 year history of the training.

During this quarter, staff met with Juneau's Gastineau Humane Society (GHS) to work toward a safe plan to shelter pets while women and families stay at AWARE. Staff reached out to GHS and re-established a relationship that involves women exchanging reasonable community service in exchange for safe shelter for her pet. AWARE is also attempting to reestablish their volunteer pet foster program for participants who are unable to use GHS services.

AWARE continues to expand Girls on the Run of Greater Alaska throughout the state. One of AWARE's GOTR Coordinators recently trained staff and volunteer coaches at the Interior Alaska Center for Non-Violent Living in Fairbanks and the Cordova Family Resource Center. Both organizations will begin offering GOTR for the first time in Fall 2015.

AWARE reached a major milestone this quarter, with the grand opening of Kaasei, a supportive transitional housing program and facility. This project began in 2007. AWARE now has 12 apartment units (11 for survivors and 1 for on-site manager), available for adult survivors and their children. Kaasei will be ready for families to move in during the first quarter of FY 16.

On May 1, 2015, Saralyn Tabachnick received the FBI Director's Community Leadership Award at FBI Headquarters in Washington, D.C. AWARE was chosen by the Anchorage Field Office of the FBI, and is very honored to receive this recognition.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

During the past several months, AWARE's shelter has been over capacity, at one point requiring AWARE to construct beds out of pallets to accommodate participants. AWARE must rely on relief advocates, administrators, and prevention staff to double cover evening shifts because it is not possible for one advocate to manage the shelter, answer the crisis line, and perform safety checks. The toll on the building has also substantially increased; heavy, consistent use translates to more broken equipment, higher utility costs, and additional maintenance demands. While AWARE considers it a success to provide so many services to so many women and families, the truth of AWARE's "new normal" is daunting.

## AWIC-Arctic Women in Crisis-BARROW

### SUCSESSES

During the 4th quarter, AWIC provided residential services for a total of 19 women and 21 children and provided 555 safe-bed nights. AWIC on-call counselors responded to 10 SART calls; the Crisis Line responded to 118 crisis calls.

Based on information from the gold sheets and from participants, this quarter AWIC assisted 10 adult survivors of child sexual abuse. Advocates helped each survivor begin establishing safety and hope, and begin building trust by offering unconditional acceptances. Advocates referred them to therapeutic services at the North Slope Borough Health Department and other community agencies that can help the survivors begin and/or continue the healing process.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

Advocates continue to meet with the NSBPD to provide village POs with updated information and applications. AWIC has received requests from the new village-based officers asking for brochures and applications. On May 19, AWIC advocates staffed an information table at the AC (local grocer) and distributed information about sexual assault and domestic violence prevention to over 300 community members.

April was Sexual Assault and Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month. AWIC advocates designed an informational bulletin board at the Wellness Center; they distributed blue bows, place mats at local restaurants and victim service agencies, and sent place mats/flyers to the village clinics. In honor of Child Abuse Prevention Month, on April 15, AWIC distributed information for parents about protective factors and staffed an information table at the AC. AWIC participated in the North Slope Borough Health Department's monthly radio show on April 16 and spoke about children's developmental stages and ways to increase parental resiliency.

This summer on June 1, AWIC advocates taught twelve middle school students about bullying prevention and ways to safely become engaged bystanders at the Ilisagvik College Allied Health Camp. On June 8, AWIC staff taught thirteen high school students about healthy relationships, using some interactive activities including bingo.

AWIC Advocates volunteered to participate in the Wellness Center's annual Kindergarten Round up on May 30 and June 13. The Wellness Center Staff provided children with physicals including dental, vision, hearing, hemoglobin and developmental screenings. AWIC advocates interacted with the children and did face painting activities; they provided parents with information on positive parenting, sleep hygiene, exercise, and nutrition.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

AWIC is concerned about losing their District Attorney in Barrow. The DA received notice that the Barrow office will close and all cases will be handled out of Fairbanks.

## BSWG-Bering Sea Women's Group - NOME

### SUCSESSES

One client who had previously stayed at the Shelter came back. This time, she got a job, obtained housing, and is doing well.

BSWG helped another client return to her home in the Lower 48 because her perpetrator would not leave her alone.

BSWG helped a client with several children, who was not being helped by her local Shelter program, to relocate to another region.

BSWG helped an immigrant client, who was targeted for the sex trade, to relocate to her family.

BSWG produced Public Service Announcements on the two regional radio stations.

The Executive Director, Barbara Amorak testified to the Legislature on June 10.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

BSWG collaborates and coordinates through DART, SART, MDT, Interagency Council, and directly with service providers/community partners to provide services.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

There were two suicides of young people in Nome and at least two suicides in the Bering Strait village communities.

There has been some turnover of staff and we continue to hire Relief Advocates. Our team is very strong and each Advocate is dedicated to serving BSWG clients.

## CFRC-Cordova Family Resource Center-CORDOVA

### SUCSESSES

CFRC had an increase from 19 Helpline calls last quarter to 34 this quarter. They also opened 27 new clients this quarter.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

As part of their outreach to Latin communities, CFRC hosted its 7<sup>th</sup> Annual "Latin Dinner" during the month of June. They have seen a huge increase in the number of Latin clients, as well as more referrals and support from the fishing industries since this dinner started.

The B.I.O.N.I.C. (Believe It or Not I Care) youth met with the 6<sup>th</sup> grade classes this quarter, and shared the mission of the B.I.O.N.I.C. group. CFRC had 2 youth from this group Intern at CFRC for the summer and assist with all youth activities (summer lunch/art, summer camps/ creation of social media materials and prevention materials). These students presented to the school board about B.I.O.N.I.C., the issue of drug use in the school among students, teen dating, and bullying. B.I.O.N.I.C. group held an end of the year activity, reviewed the goals and mission, and had a planning session for the upcoming year. CFRC collaborated with the school district provided summer lunch and an art activity for the entire month of June. CFRC also held a summer camp for 1&2 graders during the month of June. This was a great success, with many youth interested. This was the only camp offered in Cordova this summer that was free and open to everyone.

CFRC has gone under AWARE (in Juneau) to bring the Girls on the Run and Girls on Track programing to Cordova. AWARE staff came and trained 6 coaches in Cordova during the month of June. CFRC will start both GOTR and GOT in August.

CFRC participated in the Health fair where they had a Green Dot table/training and a CFRC table to hand out information and materials. CFRC and the Green Dot team presented to the School Board, Fire & Police, and the Hospital Administrator.

CFRC and OCS case worker has been working closely with the supervised visits of parents whose children have been removed from the homes, foster parents, parenting classes, and camp registrations.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

A big concern is the requests for services, trainings, and prevention efforts from the community, along with a huge increase in the number of clients and their complex issues, coupled with the decrease of staff and funding.

Over the last few months there has been a decrease in clients accessing Sound Alternative Behavioral Health services. They received a complaint that primary insurance/Medicaid must be billed first, which would enable partners being able to see when clients seek services if they are on the same insurance. In addition, the clients are required to meet the insurance deductible.

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

### SUCSESSES

While the shelter continues to remain busy throughout the quarter, overall shelter nights have dropped in numbers compared to previous years. Looking at the reasoning for this decline, it can be attributed to the fact that IAC has successfully implemented 16 permanent supportive housing units. These units have allowed them to house several individuals who otherwise (due to co-occurring issues such as substance abuse and mental health) would be repeatedly using shelter services. Through these units IAC has had the opportunity to provide these individuals with a safe and permanent home, which in turn has allowed for these individuals to address these issues if they choose. Another contributing factor is the Empowering Choice Housing Voucher Program through Alaska Housing and the Rental Assistance Program, in which IAC has been able to more rapidly assist individuals with finding independent housing and assisting them through outside services.

IAC's legal program is up and running full speed and with two attorneys taking cases, they have been able to assist in many different areas of the legal system including divorce, custody, custody modifications, protective order cases and property cases. Since the implementation of this program these attorneys have dedicated more than 2,100 hours and assisted 29 survivors.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

IAC is seeing an increase in non-English speaking clients who not only are dealing with abuse but also immigration issues. In response, IAC has brought on a shelter case manager who is dedicated to more intensive case management with individuals who are in need of either longer term assistance or whose issues are complex in that their needs require more time and attention than what our advocacy team is able to provide. The case manager has created a strong working relationship with AIJP and other resources to assist these individuals.

In April, IAC hosted a Speaking of Sex event at UAF where a play was used to introduce the importance of bystander intervention in the college environment. At this time Green Dot was introduced and those who attended were invited to the Green Dot Trainings. Also during the month of April UAF hosted a Take Back the Night event where representatives from Green Dot wrapped up the event with a message of hope, and an invitation to get involved in future Green Dot trainings. As a result of these events, UAF Green Dot hosted 5 bystander intervention trainings during the fourth quarter, training over 50 students.

The first week in June IAC Rural Advocates and one of their Staff Attorney's traveled to Tanana with the Alaska State Troopers, DOC Probation, Forensic Nursing, Stevie's Place, and OVR to talk to the community about sexual assault and the process for reporting as well as services and options that were available to the community. While there IAC was able to talk with victims and assisted in helping individuals obtain protective orders.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

One death this quarter.

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

### SUCSESSES

KWRCC continues a new program called Day Services, in which nonresidents are able to access the shelter and services during day hours. In this way KWRCC has been able to keep on going day to day support for clients who are rebuilding their lives after being in Shelter. This program also allows KWRCC to prioritize beds for high lethality cases, while still being able to fully serve clients who still need support but are not in a current high risk situation.

Staff from KWRCC participated in two local trainings this quarter: Drug Endangered Children (put on by the local CAC and Sunaq Tribe) and Child Sex Trafficking (also sponsored by the local CAC). Both trainings inspired discussions on how to deal with community drug epidemics, and how to keep children and families safe. KWRCC also completed their annual Advanced Advocacy class where they had 4 people in attendance.

KWRCC purchased the building directly next door, which allowed them to move offices and programming out of the existing building. The existing office space in the current building will be converted to make more bedrooms and expand capacity for services. They closed the building on June 1<sup>st</sup> and were able to move in June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

KWRCC has their first off site Advocate who works in the village of Old Harbor, which has allowed them to work within the village community to provide in-village access to direct services, community safety planning, prevention work, and broader collaborations.

KWRCC continues to offer their Stepping Stones support groups as well as Soluciones support group facilitated in Spanish for their Latino community members.

KWRCC had their first annual 5k for Child Abuse Awareness, held in April with 76 participants. Their BBQ pit following the event was manned by local Police Department who volunteered their help for this occasion. Local businesses sponsored tee-shirts that stated "Rise Above Abuse and Choose Respect". These tee-shirts were given out to all who participated in the event.

In May, KWRCC held a Choose Respect Booth at the local Crab Fest. Participants got to sing karaoke and win a Choose Respect Sweat Shirt. This year Alaska Airlines donated round trip tickets to be raffled off at KWRCC's booth.

KWRCC has collaborated with Sunaq to restart the Native Women's Advisory Committee. This group will work with natural leaders in the Native community on addressing domestic violence and sexual assault in the native community.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

Kodiak continues to have very limited housing available as well as extremely high rents. This makes it difficult to place clients into safe affordable housing, resulting in longer stays at their shelter.

## LSC-The LeeShore Center-KENAI

### SUCSESSES

A family of 5 came to LSC from a small outlying community. They needed to relocate to a new community for safety. LSC provided safe shelter and referrals for services. Shortly after, the mother was able to secure full time employment and move her family into permanent housing in less than two months.

LSC was contacted by a mom that was visiting the area from a very small remote village. She was afraid to return to her abusive home but also afraid to leave her children there with the abuser. LSC was able to assist in coordinating things for her to bring her children safely to Kenai without the abuser knowing where they were going. This was a real team effort pulling all the resources together. Steps included: filing for 20 day protection order for her and the children involved; ensuring the paperwork was served to the abuser quickly; obtaining a writ of assistance to have the children removed from the home and delivered to the airport without her being present and finding someone to provide the service; and obtaining donated air fare for unaccompanied children's tickets. The process required hours of phone calls and filing paperwork but with the assistance of the local court clerk's office, Alaska State Troopers, Village Safety Officers, owners of the plane service flying to that village, both state and native child protection workers, northern shelter advocates, LSC staff and the client the process was successfully completed. In less than three days from her first contact this woman and her children were safely housed within the LSC shelter.

A woman that has been a client multiple times over many years left LSC for permanent housing this quarter. She completed a planned discharge for the first time rather than just leaving. She left with over a year sobriety. She had her probation officer's approval for the discharge and the new living quarters. Safety calls following discharge have allowed LSC to know she is doing well and staying safe in the community. She has learned to be a survivor and it has been an incredible process to observe and be an active part of.

LSC held a successful fall fundraiser, Radiothon, in which funds raised were targeted for their new outdoor kennel. Along with grants from RedRover and AKC Humane Fund, they were able complete the kennel in June 2015

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

LSC hosted their Community Awareness Workshop on domestic violence and sexual assault in April, where they educated participants about cultural sensitivity, abuse reporting, domestic violence power and control, domestic violence and substance abuse, and much more. They invited speakers from the Office of Children's Services, Kenai Indian Tribe, Kenai Police Department, District Attorney's Office, and more.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

None noted.

## SAFE-Safe and Fear-Free Environment-Dillingham

### SUCSESSES

SAFE continued working with a graduate student working on his dissertation for a PhD in Public Health. In his research of sexual assault in rural Alaska, he conducted 22 interviews at SAFE and, with their encouragement, expanded his project to include interviews with survivors from across the state. SAFE assisted with introductions to programs in Bethel, Anchorage and Sitka.

SAFE worked closely with a young father who was a victim/witness of domestic violence and a survivor of a homicide victim, including providing safe shelter, transportation, legal advocacy, and ongoing assistance with accessing crime victim compensation.

SAFE was awarded \$172,000 grant from the Domestic Violence Maintenance Initiative early in the quarter. The SAFE Executive Director and facility staff worked closely with the DVMI staff in preparation for critical repair and renovation projects at SAFE, including replacing the septic system. The City and adjacent property owners coordinated with SAFE to get this project done.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

SAFE's 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Auction, their primary annual fundraising event, was a boisterous and happy affair, with one home-made chocolate and fruit cake going for over \$500 and several cases of fish canned by the women in shelter becoming the hottest prizes in the bidding wars. The 2015 Auction had the most people attend and made the most money of any auction they've hosted so far.

The Myspace Youth Council organized and hosted an Honoring Our Youth community BBQ in early June in preparation of the Summer Youth Services program kickoff with over 120 youth and adults in attendance.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

Funding continues to be an area of great concern for SAFE, resulting in the following: all Naknek court cases are now being transferred to the Anchorage DA, further disenfranchising residents from that side of the Bay and making it very difficult for SAFE to provide Advocacy services; cuts to the AST budget for gas and transportation costs that limit response to only the most serious and urgent cases; loss of two out of three OCS Social Workers and reduction in the ADA's office from two attorneys and a paralegal victim/witness coordinator to a single ADA with an office assistant. SAFE has been forced to reallocate job duties and responsibilities among remaining staff and to curtail or eliminate certain services they had been able to provide previously due to both fore seen and unexpected losses of funding. These include the loss of their FASD prevention program, evening child care for program participants who are attending aftercare or other essential activities, and their daily Court Watch/Tribal Notification service for regional villages.

Personnel issues are a constant challenge at SAFE, usually centered on being chronically short-handed and being unable to recruit and retain trained staff.

## SAFV-Sitkans Against Family Violence-SITKA

### SUCSESSES

SAFV staff was invited to a training hosted by the Village of Kake and the national Indigenous Women's Resource Center. Two SAFV advocates attended, bringing with them fresh produce and herring eggs as gifts to their hosts. During the training, they collaborated with community members, representatives of the SEARHC clinic, and the mayor to discuss the epidemic of domestic violence in Alaska. They focused on providing information for understanding domestic violence for victims and families, and on holding abusers accountable. The relationship and sisterhood between the mobilized DV workers in Kake and at SAFV is critical for Kake to sustain the motivation of the work they are doing to eradicate family violence and sexual assault.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

The second edition of Boys Run just went to print. SAFV expects to implement two full teams in Sitka, two full teams in Juneau and expand the program to Kake this fall. SAFV was delighted and surprised to accept funds from SEARHC who has agreed to provide 15K in funding to support Boys Run and GOTR in Sitka and Kake. When SEARHC heard those programs may be in jeopardy because of funding cuts, they offered the funds to support the ongoing implementation in Sitka as long as there are continued plans to expand the programs to Kake and Angoon.

SAFV continued lunch groups for children at risk who are identified and referred by school personnel at two elementary schools. SAFV's Children's Program Coordinator completed a total of 23 groups during the quarter using the "A Window Between Worlds" art therapy curriculum.

SAFV had the opportunity to offer program participants the Kids Club Moms Empowerment Program (KCMEP) group for moms and kids who had experienced DV in the prior two years.

SAFV has noticed a trend that the numbers of people seeking protective order assistance from SAFV has been declining through the last few years. Some of this may be due to SAFV's education with participants on the complete civil process involved with seeking protective orders. Also, now that the criminal no contacts ordered with DV assault crimes are more safety-oriented for the victim, a co-existing civil case is not always in the best interest of the victim. These are long conversations advocates have with victims to determine safety, interim custody, impact on criminal cases, living arrangements, finances, etc.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

SAFV has concerns regarding Sitka Tribe's Social Services Dept., and the practice they have taken on of using tribal court to take guardianship of tribal citizen children. This practice of guardianship for little to no reason is very concerning and SAFV intends to speak to the general manager at the tribe about this development.

## SCS—Seaview Community Services - SEWARD

### SUCSESSES

Many organizations donated various items to program participants such as bedding, clothing, toiletries, etc.

SCS had a victim who was a vulnerable adult that was abducted from another state and ended up here in Seward. After a routine traffic stop the perpetrator was arrested and the victim was put into shelter and SCS flew her home to her family. SCS helped connect the family and victim to a victim service agency in their area. Last heard she is doing great!

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

SCS hosted the 3rd Annual Seward Spring Carnival to raise awareness on child abuse, bullying, teen dating violence, internet safety, and child abduction. 144 adults and 182 kids attended and raised \$2376.13 for victim services.

The DVSA advocate spoke to the 7th grade class at Seward Middle School about Bullying to 20 students for the full period.

The DVSA program hosted the 2nd Annual "Ride for Respect" Poker run (motorcycle) from Anchorage to Seward and raised \$4,800 and awareness on domestic violence and sexual assault.

Held the Choose Respect March with 27 participants

On Memorial Day the Seward Police Department, Seward Prevention Coalition, and SCS put up the Before I Die wall at our Harbor Masters Office. We are asking that as people reflect on what they want to do before they die, to keep in mind those that have been lost to domestic violence, bullying, suicide, alcohol and drug related deaths, and underage drinking and drug use. We have given them statistics and contact numbers to call if they are experiencing any of these issues.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

SCS assisted a sexual assault victim. SCS learned that the victim did not want to file a report so the trooper would not transport her. After much discussion SCS drove the victim after she had been in the ER for 6 hours. SCS followed up with ANDVSA and sent a formal letter to AST, CDVSA, and many others. As a result SCS met with AST to talk about SCS services and about how we might partner to serve victims. SCS has a SART (except for a nurse) going to Anchorage for training in November. SCS is pleased with the outcome of this meeting.

SCS significant issues continue to be funding and staffing.

## SPHH-South Peninsula Haven House-HOMER

### SUCSESSES

During this past quarter SPHH has successfully managed a full shelter while offering numerous support services. They participated in the Kids' Clubs Mom's Empowerment Program (KCMEP), where they held ten weekly groups. This was quite a success in that the women had a safe place to talk while their children were participating in a group at the same time as well.

Advocates helped locate permanent and sustainable housing for three residents during this quarter: A mother working with OCS on reunification with her young son who retained custody after completing a substance abuse program; a young mother with a large family who received parenting support, legal advocacy, and assistance with accessing an Alaska Housing voucher; and last, a resident that was awaiting a very long and drawn out SSI disability decision, for whom SPHH collaborated with the local mental health agency to provide wrap-around services. They also successfully accessed a mini grant through the Alaska Mental Health Trust for a resident that had fled domestic violence from another state, who suffered a Traumatic Brain Injury from her abuser. Advocates assisted her with accessing resources, including applying for a new social security number and an ECHP voucher.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

The Girls on the Run afterschool program hosted their second "Family Fun Nights" where 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade participants reinforced the concepts they are learning with their parents. They celebrated the end of their fourth successful Girls on the Run season with a 5K community Fun Run/Walk.

The Green Dot Bystander Violence Prevention program held a bystander training for seven community members, four of whom received training to become part of the Green Dot Homer volunteer team. SPHH also hosted two national trainers who facilitated a three day training for Homer High school staff and a few community volunteers to prepare for the launch of Green Dot in the high school in the fall. Additionally, four members of the Green Dot Homer team were signed off to become statewide trainers as part of an Alaska Green Dot training bureau. Two Haven House staff and two community partners attended the Compass training for adult mentors of young men which was held in Homer in May, building skills and capacity for working with male youth to prevent violence.

SPHH collaborated with Homer Middle School to present a Family Meal Night, featuring a guest speaker from Kenai Peninsula College who presented on the adolescent brain. Over 50 youth and adults participated in this strong collaboration with the middle school as a partner in violence prevention efforts and had.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

SPHH has noticed an increase in the amount of landlord tenant issues including eviction and allegations of stalking by the landlord as well.

## STAR-Standing Together Against Rape – ANCHORAGE

### SUCSESSES

STAR provided parenting classes in residential treatment settings and shelter programs, designed to help parents protect their children and reduce risks of child sexual abuse.

STAR's Counselor took certification classes in EMDR.

STAR Educators and Advocates testified on behalf of Erin's Law and Bree's Law.

One of STAR's Educators became certified to become a Green Dot Trainer.

Three STAR employees attended the End Violence Against Women International Conference in New Orleans.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

STAR hosted Anchorage DART meetings and participated with the YWCA of Anchorage to Stand Against Racism.

STAR provided outreach and education meetings to homeless persons and those at risk of homelessness at Beans Café, and educational groups at Dena A Coy and Clitheroe residential treatment programs.

STAR participates in the collaborative response to human trafficking under a grant from the Office for Victims of Crime, and meets with Alaska Institute for Justice. STAR Advocates attended a conference on Sex Trafficking in Rural Alaska.

STAR hosted activities to raise awareness for April Sexual Assault Awareness Month. STAR provided a 40 hour training; 15 new graduates went to work as crisis line responders as a result. STAR hosted a volunteer appreciation luncheon. KFAT radio hosted Walk a Mile in Her Shoes, and raised over \$13,000. STAR celebrated mandated reporters in the Anchorage School District

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

Keeley Olson transferred from Program Director with STAR for the last nine years to Executive Director. Tim Flynn is hired as Community Prevention and Education Manager and will help guide STAR to outcome driven goals and provide more tangible successes than simply counting numbers of individuals or services provided. Sherry Worthy, former shelter manager of AWAIC, has been hired to fill the Program Director position.

## TWC – Tundra Women’s Coalition - BETHEL

### SUCSESSES

TWC’s entire management team went to the Foraker Leadership summit.

Former Executive Director of SAFE in Dillingham, Ginger Baim came to TWC to offer an advocacy training for the Children’s Advocates who work in the shelter, all the shelter advocates, and all other staff at TWC. 17 staff members attended and 16 agreed that “the training increased my knowledge and awareness and what I can do to support them.”

TWC hosted a First Responders Sexual Assault Training for village community service providers including village police officers, village police safety officers, behavioral health aids, and clinical health aids in partnership with AST, YKHC, Assoc of Village Council Presidents, and other partners.

TWC and TAAV hosted their fifth annual Teens Lead Ahead leadership camp for youth from the villages. Reviews from this camp were overwhelmingly positive with good feedback from alumni from the camp.

TAAV starting an endowed fund.

TWC board seats are full.

Water filtration system fixed, long time deferred maintenance for transitional houses contracted.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

The medical provider, YKHC, developed a plan to better respond to emergent sexual assaults in the YK region. For the past several months there had been no SANE examiners and all victims had to be flown to Anchorage to receive services. The Bethel SART MDT received additional support and resources from the governor’s office.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

A Bethel woman was charged with manslaughter for fatally injecting her father with heroin in Anchorage. A 14 year old girl from Napaskiak was found dead in Anchorage, suspected homicide. A 24-year old Bethel woman was stabbed to death by her boyfriend in Bethel.

Loss of funds, staff transition (even if for the better). Very lethal, emotionally taxing summer and resulting need for staff wellness. Liquor more readily available in Bethel along with potential liquor store coming to Bethel, need more administrative infrastructure.

## USAFV-Unalaskans Against Sexual Assault and Family Violence-UNALASKA

### SUCSESSES

During the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter, USAFV had contact with 65 program participants (41 unduplicated). USAFV also provided:

- 514 services, including individual, systems, and legal advocacy
- 55 days/nights of safe shelter at USAFV
- Food assistance 61 times to individuals and families

While Shelter nights are down from last year, USAFV is still busy with non-resident program participants, and continue to nurture excellent relationships with community partners to identify community trends, explore opportunities for collaboration, and improve the quality of life in their community.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

USAFV participated in the APIA Health Fair and distributed information about the Compass Program, Teen Night Events, Talk Now/Talk Often, and the Prevention Coalition. They had contact with approximately 100 people.

USAFV worked with APIA on a Family & Relationships Workshop Dinner, and hosted tables providing information on healthy relationships and relationship skills for youth. Approximately 50 people attended this event.

USAFV held a Girls' Night Out sleepover for 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> graders. They enjoyed pizza, had "dance-offs," played games, worked on an art projects, and watched a video about the representation of women and girls in the media.

USAFV held the second "Island-Wide Scavenger Hunt", which brought together 10 teams comprised of one adult and 2-4 teens competing to complete various activities around the community, such as eating a meal together, learning a new skill from one another, creating something together, and learning about community resources. The teams documented their activities with pictures and videos. The goal of the project was to bring adult mentors and teens together in a safe and fun way that allowed them to get to know more about each other and about the community, and thereby feel more connected with each other and with the place they live.

USAFV coordinated a local COMPASS training. COMPASS is a program which trains male leaders to work with young men and boys, teaching them about healthy masculinity, leadership, and self-care, and to think critically about issues such as gender-based violence and the media. 8 local men from various community agencies received the training, and USAFV staff is currently working to implement COMPASS activities later in the summer.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

None noted

## VFJ – Victims for Justice - ANCHORAGE

### SUCSESSES

VFJ recently formed a partnership with Division of Juvenile Justice to assist victims with a juvenile component. For example, we are now working with a man that was assaulted by two juveniles while riding his bike to work on a trail.

After a rough FY14, Victims for Justice resumed its normal staffing levels: an Executive Director, Victim Advocate and a part time Bookkeeper for most of FY15. VFJ was able to support a normal caseload and the usual events, but lacked growth. VFJ stability is good, but there is so much more to accomplish and VFJ looks forward to increasing our visibility and services in the coming years.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

VFJ held our annual Awards Banquet to honor those that serve victims and their families. VFJ had more nominees than ever with a larger audience. The following Monday VFJ held the annual Tree Ceremony, a remembrance event for the public and families. Colored ribbons are tied on the tree, each color represents a different crime, and both were well attended by our State Senators, First Lady of Alaska and other local dignitaries. These events are part of National Crime Victims' Rights Week.

VFJ is exploring ways to connect with churches and religious organizations to collaborate with them to assist their congregations.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

A man killed his wife and their two children, May 13<sup>th</sup>.

## WISH-Women in Safe Homes-KETCHIKAN

### SUCSESSES

Early May a single woman moved to Ketchikan from North Dakota. She has disabilities which preclude her employment and has been a long-term victim of domestic violence. Upon her arrival to Ketchikan and with the assistance of advocates, she began seeking an apartment of her own utilizing local resources including Gateway Mental Health and Public Assistance. By the end of May she was able to rent an apartment and move into a safe home of her own. She regularly utilizes day services with WISH and is continuing her progress to determine her own future.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

WISH's Education Service Manager facilitated a two day training that was held on April 6 and 7 at the Ted Ferry Civic Center titled "New Beginnings – Learning to Advocate for Others." Presenters from the following agencies participated: Native American Rights Fund; Alaskan Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault; Division of Juvenile Justice; SE Alaska Independent Living; Ketchikan Public Utilities; and Alaska Public Health. A representative from the Department of Justice spoke about the VAWA Act and the commitment to help women who have been victims of violence. The many organizations attending the training attested to the positive relationship WISH has in the community. Similar training has been requested for the coming year.

Golden Wheel Amusements came to Ketchikan in May and generously donated tickets for all the program participants with children so that the children could enjoy this fun event. This donation was valued at \$400 and was very much appreciated by both the program participants and staff. The kids all had such a wonderful time going to the carnival and being able to go on the rides.

The Education/Prevention Department of Women In Safe Homes partners with the Ketchikan Gateway Borough School District to work toward a violence-free community on a weekly basis. WISH partners with the Point Higgins Elementary School to mentor young boys who have experienced domestic violence in their families. WISH is adapting the COMPASS Toolkit (Alaska Men Choose Respect) to be age appropriate for elementary boys. WISH mentors the boys twice and works closely with the school counselor and administrative staff.

WISH works closely with the Health class at Schoenbar Middle School. The health teacher has requested a 3 day presentation on healthy relationships and self-defense every quarter for her students. During these presentations, WISH has utilized healthy relationship material from a variety of sources.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

WISH continues to see victims from out of state on an increasing level. The perpetrators are following the victims which necessitate the relocation of the victim from Ketchikan to another safe haven in Alaska. As HOPE on Prince of Wales Island is not operating at full capacity, WISH is performing a higher level of service to assist victims in safety planning and relocation efforts.

## AFS – Alaska Family Services Family Violence Intervention Program - PALMER

### OVERVIEW

AFS FVIP presented on the following topics Gender Roles, Negative Core Beliefs, Negative Self Talk, Labeling & Objectification, Perception, Active Listening part 1, Active Listening part II, Types of Non-Listening, Conversation Terminators, Assertive Communication, Assessing Change, Relationship Styles, Positive Thinking, and Love and Intimacy.

AFS FVIP had a large number of program participants that had to leave the area for work. Therefore, quite of few program participants had to file extensions with the court to modify their program completion dates.

### SUCSESSES

AFS FVIP had 12 intakes. New participants were accepted and one participant completed their court-ordered groups. AFS FVIP had 0 participants non-compliant.

### INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement - The AST position assigned to DV follow-up was cut from the budget.
- Prosecutors - The FVIP staff attends monthly DVIP hearings and provides individual client statuses to the DA's office.
- Court System – With the changes in courtview AFS FVIP has experienced more delays with records requests.
- Probation/Parole – AFS FVIP 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.
- Office of Children's Services (OCS) – FVIP continues to provide status updates to OCS clients with releases of information. OCS continues to send FVIP referrals to conduct intakes on their clients for placement in FVIP classes.
- DV Task Force – AFS FVIP participated in monthly Task Force meetings. AFS FVIP is 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 FVIP has regular contact with local mental health providers regarding coordination of services.
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs – AFS FVIP maintains regular contact with the local DV shelter to coordinate services and provide victim safety checks. AFS FVIP works with other BIPs.

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

### OVERVIEW

This quarter, JCAP staff reduced the waitlist from 22 to 13. This quarter experienced classes with low attendance while staff worked with participants, the courts, and community partners to determine the eligibility of men for participation in the JCAP program.

The impending State-wide budget cuts significantly affected JCAP, most specifically regarding CourtView and finding necessary, relevant information such as sentencing information. Police reports are taking longer to receive (due to JPD staffing), which significantly affects JCAP's ability to perform intakes and get men enrolled in the program

### SUCSESSES

JCAP Staff was in a change of a plea hearing for a new client who has a history of DV against his wife. In sentencing comment, City Prosecutor Sherri Layne stated that she thought that the client was a "perfect fit for JCAP". Judge Nave agreed, and further reflected that JCAP is a very good program and that, while the non-completion rate is high, in his five years as district court judge he's found that completers rarely return to court for domestic violence offenses.

### INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – JPD has been vital to completing intakes during the assessment process. Due to budget cuts, JPD has been slow to send police reports.
- Prosecutors – This quarter, several participants were noncompliant and JCAP communicated with prosecutors about their concerns. Prosecutors have been helpful in addressing these concerns with the courts and working to maintain JCAP as an accountability program in the courts. JCAP staff continues to testify to the courts in regard to JCAP participants and their compliance in program.
- Court System – JCAP continues to have positive relationships with the court. See comments in "Successes" above.
- Probation/Parole – This quarter, JCAP staff worked with a participant's probation officer to verify that they were eligible to take leave from program, to complete a temporary work position. Staff expressed their concerns and mutually agreed to work with probation so that the participant remained in compliance. Staff is appreciative of the time and effort field probation extends when working with JCAP.
- OCS (Office of Children's Services) – Staff faced its first mandatory report due to the proactive disclosure from a JCAP participant who asked Staff after class what he needed to do regarding the abuse he was made aware of in his neighborhood.
- Behavioral Health – JCAP Staff experienced some delays regarding collaboration with JAMHI. JCAP worked with JAMHI on a couple of cases with one participant eventually enrolled in the program; the second candidate will be reviewed after further time and assessment by JAMHI
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs – Staff is currently working with BIP in Tukwila, Washington

## IAC/LEAP- Community-Based Batterers Intervention Program -FAIRBANKS

### OVERVIEW

LEAP has 26 slots available for offenders who qualify for sliding scale assistance due to low or no income. Offenders are responsible for providing documentation on a quarterly basis in order to qualify. If they go non-compliant then they lose their sliding scale status. This list has continued to stay full and LEAP has also continued to have a wait list of men who qualify but have to wait to get in due to limited funds. This quarter 11 new people were admitted into the Sliding Scale BIP program.

### SUCSESSES

LEAP has continued to update curriculum in order to address the tactics used by abusers and to teach them why it is important to change these parts of them and how to do it. Recent research has shown a strong correlating link between childhood trauma, an increase in cortisol to the child's brain, and end results of ADHD. One of the components of this neurobiological condition is difficulty with impulsivity and self-control. The majority of participants have been through childhood trauma. LEAP is now adding pieces to program that teach more on impulse control in addition to the lesson material on self-control that is already in place.

LEAP has continued to work with Ft. Wainwright Social work Services to assist in working with offending soldiers who have not been arrested but have been identified by SWS as being abusive.

### INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – Through the CCR and DVTF meetings and via the Community program LEAP has communication with law enforcement that has been constructive, particularly with the troopers.
- Prosecutors – LEAP maintains regular contact with the DA by providing them with affidavits of non-compliance on a monthly basis, feedback.
- Court System-LEAP participates in a weekly ongoing status hearing for offenders with the Judge. Client status is also provided upon request.
- Medical- LEAP has regular interaction with Forensic Nursing Services through the CCR meetings. There is a cross-over of offenders who are in jail due to assaults that have required medical treatment for victims and who get into the community program.
- Probation/Parole – Regular communication with probation and parole occurs, and there is a cooperative relationship. LEAP provides them with training on DV offenders and understanding treatment for offenders, case conferences occur, LEAP works with the PACE program, and at times LEAP provides insight and suggestions on probationary conditions
- OCS (Office of Children's Services) – Contact with OCS occurs when Reports of Harm are filed. LEAP participates in meetings with caseworkers on client progress, and has ongoing referrals from OCS to the program.
- DV Task Force – LEAP attends DVTF meetings as they are held.
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs – LEAP's Director has regular contact with programs throughout the country and state.

## KIC– Ketchikan Indian Community – KETCHIKAN

### OVERVIEW

KIC works with their BIP clients find tools to help them change their beliefs on abuse, gender roles, power and control. KIC continues providing quality services to survivors and victims of domestic violence through their Victim Advocacy Program. KIC also works to bring awareness and educate the Ketchikan community on the danger and prevalence of DV/SA in the community.

### SUCSESSES

Several BIP clients completed the program this quarter. Of these clients, one had been involved with the program for three years, another involved for four years.

In April, KIC hosted training from the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium (ANTHC) on issues of Historical Trauma and how it relates to Alaska Native history and domestic violence. ANTHC also brought Rita Blumenstein to offer historical knowledge. KIC had the honor of being the first to host the Directors of the Office of Violence Against Women (OVW) on their Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) 20 year anniversary tour through Alaska. This coincided with WISH's annual advocate training; therefore KIC was only able to attend a portion of that training.

### INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – The Ketchikan Chief of Police sits on several collaborative task forces, including DART and the DVTF, which KIC participates in.
- Prosecutors- Communication is kept with prosecutors in regards to client referrals, monitoring, and Status Update Hearings.
- Court System- KIC attends Status Update Hearing and has communication with the Court System.
- Probation/Parole – KIC communicates with probation and parole regarding participants in the program.
- Medical – N/A
- OCS (Office of Children's Services) – This quarter, KIC received one referral from OCS.
- DV Task Force – Attendance has been low at the monthly task force meetings.
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) –N/A
- Behavioral Health – Several referrals have been made to the KIC Behavioral Health Clinic.
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs – KIC maintains regular contact with WISH and SAIL.

## LSC/CPBIP-Central Peninsula Batterers Intervention Program-KENAI

### OVERVIEW

During this quarter four new participants entered the program and received orientation. Three court hearings were held to address non-compliance issues: two participants were reassigned and five cases had the BIP requirement deleted with the persons involved taking from 30-80 days of jail time. Additionally, after seeing no BIP court assignments since December 2014, there were eight men assigned to the program in this quarter.

### SUCSESSES

CPBIP continued working through the Empathy and Compassion Model, and saw four men complete the 48 week program in this quarter.

### INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement- Members of Kenai Police Department, Alaska State Troopers and Soldotna Police Department attended a recent ANDVSA presentation on Sexual Assault Responses. Kenai Police Investigator Paul Cushman was a presenter for the Community Awareness Workshop in April and several KPD officers participated in ride-a-longs for attendees of that workshop.
- Prosecutors- Scot Leaders, Kenai's District Attorney, made a presentation to the attendees at the Community Awareness Workshop.
- Court System- Seven cases were adjudicated during this quarter: in five the BIP requirement was deleted and two were reassigned.
- Probation/Parole- CPBIP maintains open dialog with Adult Probation in order to file non-compliances in a timely manner when needed.
- Medical- Two SART nurses (who are members of the DV/SA Task Force) presented on sexual assault exam protocol during the April Community Awareness Workshop.
- OCS (Office of Children's Services)- In cases where participants are referred by OCS, CPBIP procures releases in order to speak with the OCS case workers as needed regarding compliance.
- DV Task Force- LSC is a member of the DV Task Force, of which LSC's Executive Director Cheri Smith is the chair. The members meet every other month.
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB)- Shelter advocates help clients to contact VCCB on an as needed basis. The CPBIP co-facilitator (in her role as Education & Training Coordinator) spoke about VCCB during the Community Awareness Workshop in April.
- Behavioral Health- LSC met with the behavioral health staff of Kenaitze Indian Tribe's Dena'ina Wellness Center in June to discuss the roles of behavioral health professionals and DART members to better aid people who experience disabilities and who are victims of domestic violence. Referral methods were discussed and point personnel were defined. LSC's FY15 MOU was with Peninsula Community Health Centers, but the goal is to include Kenaitze Indian Tribe in FY16.
- Other Victim Services or Batterer Intervention Programs- CPBIP is open to contact with other agencies for exchange of information as needed.

## SPHH/DVIP-Domestic Violence Intervention Program-HOMER

### OVERVIEW

This quarter SPHH had a practicum student who worked with them through the summer. It was a positive experience to have her on board.

Staff attended two trainings this quarter. The first was in Anchorage and addressed successful re-entry of perpetrators into the community. The barriers in Homer for successful re-entry have been lack of employment options for perpetrators and affordable housing. It appears that this is a statewide issue, not just a local issue. There was a lot of useful information shared among panel members on proactive ways to ensure success. Staff also attended "Green Dot Train the Trainer" in May. The skills learned during this training are being introduced to the group. The goal is to educate perpetrators on ways to be part of the solution and not to continue to be the problem.

### SUCSESSES

It is always a great success when batterers successfully complete the program and this quarter there were two successful completions.

### INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement- Interactions have been ongoing and positive.
- Prosecutors- Ongoing communication has been taking place with the District Attorney.
- Court System- Staff have attended three status hearings during this quarter. Each hearing was positive.
- Probation/Parole- Staff have not had any interaction with Probation or Parole this quarter as the clients were on unsupervised probation.
- Medical- Staff have not had interaction with medical staff this quarter.
- OCS (Office of Children's Services)- Staff have had no communication with OCS this quarter.
- DV Task Force- Staff have not had any interaction with the DV task force.
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB)- Staff have not spoken with VCCB this quarter.
- Behavioral Health- This quarter, staff have continued to work with Community Mental Health to provide wrap around services for a female client.
- Other Victim Services or Batterer Intervention Programs- Staff have not worked with any other BIPS programs this quarter.

<b>BIP - Community FY15 4th Quarter Statistics April 1 - June 30, 2015</b>									
	AFS Palmer	AWARE Juneau	IAC Fairbanks	KIC Ketchikan	LSC Kenai	SPHH Homer	Total		
How many new participants were court-ordered into the program?	4	2	5	0	8	1	20		
How many written intake assessments were completed?	12	8	5	1	4	1	31		
How many participants were accepted into the program?	12	6	5	1	4	1	29		
How many new victim safety checks were completed? (spoke directly with the victim)	8	4	8	1	2	0	23		
How many safety checks were completed? (includes new and continuing victims)	35	7	62	18	58	0	180		
How many participants completed the program during this quarter?	1	5	3	0	4	2	15		
How many participants were non-compliant during this quarter?	0	3	3	1	4	0	11		
How many participants were re-arrested for domestic violence during this quarter (defined as police arrest and charge of domestic violence)?	0	0	2	0	0	0	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)?	2	2	4	0	1	0	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)	8	5	2	0	4	3	22		
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)	3	6	5	1	2	0	17		
What is the total dollars of fees collected?	\$6,761	\$1,755	\$0	\$870	\$3,025	\$760	\$13,171		
What is the total dollars of accounts receivable (more than 30 days past due)?	\$0	\$2,375	\$0	\$520	\$0	\$375	\$3,270		

<b>BIP - Community FY15 Year-To-Date Statistics</b>		<b>AFS Palmer</b>	<b>AWARE Juneau</b>	<b>IAC Fairbanks</b>	<b>KIC Ketchikan</b>	<b>LSC Kenai</b>	<b>SPHH Homer</b>	<b>Total</b>
How many new participants were court-ordered into the program?		11	13	20	7	16	5	61
How many written intake assessments were completed?		46	17	13	11	19	5	93
How many participants were accepted into the program?		46	13	29	10	19	5	97
How many new victim safety checks were completed? (spoke directly with the victim)		25	15	29	8	13	1	78
How many safety checks were completed? (includes new and continuing victims)		132	110	139	124	202	1	536
How many participants completed the program during this quarter?		13	11	7	7	7	3	34
How many participants were non-compliant during this quarter?		11	15	14	8	27	3	59
How many participants were re-arrested for domestic violence during this quarter (defined as police arrest and charge of domestic violence)?		7	3	3	1	3	2	11
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)?		12	8	10	3	5	0	27
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)		51	20	16	1	13	6	91
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)		5	15	26	22	13	1	74
What is the total dollars of fees collected?		\$29,734	\$5,107	\$0	\$9,521	\$13,700	\$3,285	\$48,063
What is the total dollars of accounts receivable (more than 30 days past due)?		\$0	\$6,823	\$0	\$1,125	\$0	\$375	\$6,375

## AFS – Prison-Based Batterer’s Program – PALMER

### OVERVIEW

AFS PBP presented on the follow topics Gender Roles, Negative Core Beliefs, Negative Self Talk, Labeling & Objectification, Perception, Active Listening part 1, Active Listening part II, Types of Non-Listening, Conversation Terminators, Assertive Communication, Assessing Change, Relationship Styles, Positive Thinking, and Love and Intimacy.

### CONCERNS

During this quarter AFS was informed that Department of Corrections would be closing the minimum side of the Palmer Correctional Center (PCC). Minimum security inmates attending group were being transferred to other facilities or to the community which impacts AFS PBP numbers at Palmer Correctional Center. AFS PBP plans to continue on the medium side of PCC.

### SUCSESSES

AFS PBP had 22 intakes and new participants were accepted into the program and five participants completed their court-ordered groups. ADS PBP had one participant non-compliant.

### INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – AFS PBP maintained contact with the Correctional Officers at PCC and at GCCC Prisons.
- Prosecutors – AFS PBP worked with ADA’s to help clear up the differences between the prison-based batterers intervention program and the other educational programs offered by other agencies
- Court System – FVIP continues to provide client statuses to the DA and the court for clients that are in custody.
- Probation/Parole – Probation officers continue to keep us quite busy with the number of referrals for our group at GCCC.
- Medical - Public Health and the hospital were involved in monthly DV Task Force meetings.
- Office of Children’s Services (OCS) – Our contact with OCS is limited with clients in the Prison-Based Program. When inmates are released we have worked with OCS to conduct intakes and to provide status reports.
- DV Task Force – AFS PBP participated in monthly Task Force meetings. They 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 - We have regular contact and collaboration with local mental health providers regarding coordination of services.

Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs – AFS PBP maintains regular contact with the local DV shelter to coordinate services and provide victim safety checks. AFS PBP continue to coordinate services of our clients other Batterer Intervention Programs.

## AWARE/JCAP– Prison Based Program –JUNEAU

### OVERVIEW

JCAP, the courts, and community partners were all challenged by the threat of impending budget cuts and, henceforth, a smaller workforce and fewer resources. There was the question as to whether or not the Learning Center Administrator at Lemon Creek was going to be furloughed or not during the budget talks. Staff continues to work with men of varying needs to complete intake assessments and orientation in a timely matter.

### SUCSESSES

During Q4 the Juneau Empire published an article about the treatment of female prisoners, in particular regarding the fact that the women sleep in a tent at the LCCC and are second in priority for “movements” (the passing of inmates through the prison); they therefore are offered fewer opportunities for the gym, the spiritual center, time in the Learning Center, etc. The inmates engaged in a thoughtful discussion on the privileges male experience even while in prison. The facilitators also were also challenged to discuss why the rate of female prisoners is increasing significantly. This was an improvised conversation that was reflected on previously.

### INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – N/A
- Prosecutors – Staff maintains communication with prosecutors regarding current and potential participants. This quarter, staff has faced participants becoming noncompliant and has communicated with prosecutors about JCAP concerns. Prosecutors have been helpful in addressing these concerns with the courts and working to maintain JCAP as an accountability program in the courts.
- Court System – – JCAP Staff was in a change of a plea for a new client who has a history of DV against his wife. In sentencing comments, City Prosecutor Sherri Layne stated that she thought that the client was a "perfect fit for JCAP." Judge Nave agreed, and further reflected that JCAP is a very good program and that, while the non-completion rate is high, in his five years as district court judge, he's found that men who complete the program rarely return for domestic violence offenses.
- Probation/Parole – JCAP staff has continued to strengthen their relationship with staff at the field probation office. This quarter, JCAP staff worked with a participant's probation officer to verify that they were eligible to take leave from program, to complete a temporary work position. Staff expressed their concerns and mutually agreed to work with probation so that the participant remained in compliance. Staff is appreciative of the time and effort field probation extends when working with JCAP.
- Medical –N/A
- OCS (Office of Children's Services) –N/A
- DV Task Force – N/A
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) –N/A
- Behavioral Health/Substance Abuse – N/A
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs –N/A

## IAC/LEAP– Prison Based Program –FAIRBANKS

### OVERVIEW

LEAP has continued to get regular requests from inmates to come into program. They have also continued to get referrals from in-house probation officers. LEAP holds their groups in the Education Center and has room for a maximum of 12 inmates at a time.

### SUCSESSES

LEAP reached out to the Fairbanks Correctional Facility Mental Health Professional at the facility, and now has bi-weekly meetings with her to discuss clients who have recently completed the intake process. The Mental Health Professional has groups of her own and most LEAP clients are enrolled into her groups as well. She is able to offer insight into how these clients act in group settings.

The relationship with the probation staff in FCC continues to be positive. Probation Officer Michael Ward has been especially supportive of the program and has worked with LEAP whenever needed. P.O. Ward provides client paperwork such as complaints and judgments after they have completed the intake process and are accepted into group. Additionally, we provide in-house probation officers with a copy of our monthly progress summaries, discharge paperwork and attendance rosters.

### INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – Through the CCR and DVTF meetings and via the Community program there is communication with law enforcement which has been constructive.
- Prosecutors –Regular contact is maintained with the DA by providing affidavits of non-compliance on a monthly basis, feedback and information through DVTF and CCR meetings.
- Court System –Weekly ongoing status hearings for offenders with the Judge. LEAP provides information on client status upon request
- Probation/Parole – We are regularly in communication with probation and parole and have had a cooperative relationship with them for over 15 years.
- Medical – LEAP has regular interaction with Forensic Nursing Services through the CCR meetings.
- OCS (Office of Children’s Services) – We maintain regular contact with OCS by making regular reports of harm when information is disclosed to us or obtained by us.
- DV Task Force – - LEAP staff attends the DVTF meetings when they are held.
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) – N/A
- Behavioral Health/Substance Abuse –See above
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs –The Director has contact with other programs throughout the state and nation due to referral and transfers of offenders.

**BIP - Prison Based FY15 4th Quarter Statistics**  
**April 1 - June 30, 2015**

	AFS Palmer	AWARE Juneau	IAC Fairbanks	TOTAL
How many new participants were court-ordered into the program?	3	5	1	9
How many written intake assessments were completed?	22	9	6	37
How many participants were accepted into the program?	22	6	2	30
How many new victim safety checks were completed? (spoke directly with the victim)	1	2	0	3
How many safety checks were completed? (includes new and continuing victims)	6	10	0	16
How many participants completed the program during this quarter?	5	6	0	11
How many participants were non-compliant during this quarter?	1	3	0	4
How many participants were re-arrested for domestic violence during this quarter (defined as police arrest and charge of domestic violence)?	1	0	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	1	2	6
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)	6	5	0	11
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	3	0	3

Prison Based Batterers Program (PBP) FY15	AFS Palmer	AWARE Juneau	IAC Fairbanks	TOTAL
How many new participants were court-ordered into the program?	11	9	18	38
How many written intake assessments were completed?	63	18	47	128
How many participants were accepted into the program?	63	15	37	115
How many new victim safety checks were completed? (spoke directly with the victim)	7	6	2	15
How many safety checks were completed? (includes new and continuing victims)	28	43	5	76
How many participants completed the program during this quarter?	20	11	3	34
How many participants were non-compliant during this quarter?	1	4	7	12
How many participants were re-arrested for domestic violence during this quarter (defined as police arrest and charge of domestic violence)?	10	1	3	14
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)?	13	3	14	30
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)	18	9	11	38
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)	2	5	11	18

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

### SUCSESSES

HOPE had a booth at the POW Health Fair in Klawock.

HOPE spoke at the Suicide Prevention Council meeting and described HOPE's services and conducted two Green Dot trainings for about 35 people.

Interim Executive Director participated in training in Ketchikan by ANDVSA, Alaska Native Justice Center, ANTHC and ANWC, "An Overview of Domestic Violence and Sexual Abuse." The ED also Participated in Webinars: "Expanding Community Involvement in Rural Communities," "Census Demographic Data for Community Analysis," and completed mandatory reporter training for Suspected Abuse or Neglect of Children and for Suspected Elder Abuse.

Reached over 400 people by inserting brochures, backscratchers, and towels into all runners' bags at the POW International Marathon in May.

Applied and received a grant from First Bank for additional funding for a Volunteer Coordinator position and for a grant from ACF Strengthening Organizations to expand safe home network.

HOPE revised Policies and Procedure Manual.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

HOPE developed a new FaceBook page.

HOPE wrote an article in the Island Post and in the Chamber POWer about HOPE still operating. HOPE participated in the POW Health Fair, Suicide Prevention Council Community Meeting and the POW International Marathon.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

HOPE delayed hiring for the Victim Advocate and Volunteer Coordinator positions after the Advocate and Volunteer Coordinator to ensure the budget would cover the cost of the two positions. Since the state budget was cut HOPE decided the Interim Executive Director would cover all three positions until HOPE received year 3 funding and plans to hire the two positions within one month of receiving year 3 funding.

HOPE's worker's compensation insurance doubled in premiums over the last year.

## UTWC-Upper Tanana Wellness Court - TOK

### SUCSESSES

UTWC has had more exposure in the Tok and outlying communities. More calls have been received for information and requests for pamphlets and other materials provided by Interior Alaskans for Non-violent Living Center (IAC).

Contact has been made with IAC and two volunteers are planning to go to Fairbanks to shadow in the IAC advocacy program.

UTWC has trained two advocates and is in the process of adding and training other advocates.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

UTWC is working with the Tanana Chiefs Conference to add volunteers and getting them trained.

UTWC is continuing to look for a village liaison and funding for that position.

UTWC's volunteer has been in contact with each village during this quarter.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

UTWC is working in several villages and Native corporations and has had some issues with planning and executing training sessions with good attendance.

Funding is always a problem for a small program. UTWC is trying to attain funding for a shelter and for more training.

## WAVE –Working Against Violence for Everyone - PETERSBURG

### SUCSESSES

WAVE's community, Petersburg's outreach activities continued this final quarter. WAVE met with the high school health class and talked about consent, elementary school personal safety talks, biannual family safety fair.

One of Petersburg's local stores allowed us to use their window front during the week of prom, we were able to use this for a window display on consent, 'A dress is not a yes'.

WAVE is a part of a local coalition to lower high risk drinking, and WAVE was able to meet with one of local officers to discuss the impact of drugs on the community. It was very informative.

One of WAVE's needs this year was met thanks to the MiniGrant from CDVSA. - WAVE was able to bring Angelia Trujillo down to work with our hospital staff on evidence collection and strangulation for EMS.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

Petersburg Mental Health Services finished their trauma informed care grant on June 30<sup>th</sup>. They were able to provide drop in hours with a clinician weekly.

Community outreach is the theme for FY15. WAVE was able do to several outreach activates: Teen DV week, EMS trainings, working with Petersburg Medical Center, Petersburg School District reaching all of the schools.

The community is reaching out to us and including us in local events. Petersburg has a strong community connection. We have started a social group to help new residents connect with each other. We have had about 5 members each week.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

State budget issues has made it hard to plan for the future. Several local non-profits met to discuss budget challenges and how we can help each other.

As an overall goal for Petersburg is housing, transitional housing and rental opportunities. Even if income is not an issue for victims, WAVE still struggles to help them out of their situation because there is no place for them to go. WAVE has safe homes but that is a very temporary solution and the victims cannot leave, so no work, no school for the kids.

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	492	218	187	198	153	172	187	174	175
Non-residential Support and Advocacy	1257	170	166	164	152	162	152	135	129
Counseling	170	24	24	23	18	16	17	12	12
Non-residential Support Groups	278	150	131	130	105	120	120	110	103
TOTAL	2016	562	508	515	428	470	476	431	419
(N/A) Not applicable	0	0	9	6	82	17	21	42	38
Neutral	0	0	42	38	44	61	62	83	80
% Positive Responses			92%	93%	89%	86%	88%	83%	80%

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Shelter	1037	809	825	646	740	800	737	716	
Non-residential Support and Advocacy	822	731	746	549	733	687	647	625	
Counseling	114	108	103	75	88	91	70	65	
Non-residential Support Groups	591	511	517	421	501	492	442	426	
TOTAL	2564	2159	2191	1691	2062	2070	1896	1828	
(N/A) Not applicable		53	46	505	90	99	197	201	
Neutral		269	220	254	273	303	360	378	
% Positive Responses		86%	87%	82%	83%	84%	80%	77%	

## AFS-Alaska Family Services - PALMER

### SUCCESES

AFS had a good start for youth outreach. AFS presented to over 150 students thus far for the 2015-2016 school year. Presentations focused on bullying, anger and violence, respect, and stress for teens.

AFS began meetings for the second "NO More" Summit with the Wasilla Sunrise Rotary Club. We plan to host the event on April 24th at the Glenn Massey Theater on the Mat-Su College campus.

AFS is hosting four practicum students with another that may start next quarter. AFS's partnership with the University of Alaska schools has been a great. AFS staff have been requested to present to classes that are in the social work and human services field.

AFS has been gearing up for DV Awareness Month next quarter: DV Booth at Mat-Su College, health fair at Palmer Sr. Center, Facilitating "In Her Shoes" at the AFS all staff meeting, DV awareness event on JBER, presentations to Mat-Su area schools, Halloween Hallow event at the state fair grounds and an Ice Spooktacular Boo Bash event at eh Brett Memorial Ice Arena with Alaska National Organization for Women and Mat-Su Public Health.

Staff attended the Strangulation Response, Investigation & Prosecution two day training hosted by AST, Department of Law, ANDVSA, Alaska Nurses Association, Fairbanks Memorial Hospital and CDVSA.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

The AFS SART management team met twice this quarter to discuss progress of the program and to prepare a program presentation to the Mat-Su Agency Partnership Coalition.

AFS presented to new recruits of the Alaska State Troopers, Salvation Army staff and volunteers, probation/parole officers, staff and youth at the Department of Juvenile Justice, Mat-Su Family Services Unit at the Office of Children Services, and service providers at the Alcantra Armory.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

Troopers report that a 19-year-old was charged with murder in Wasilla of stabbing foster mother.

## AVV-Advocates for Victims of Violence, Inc.-Valdez

### SUCSESSES

This quarter was perhaps one of the busiest AVV has had, as they were at full capacity in the shelter for the entire quarter. They also served walk-in and other nonresident community members affected by domestic violence, and managed a busy crisis line.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

During this quarter, AVV successfully completed the summer camps for their Youth Programs. AVV coordinated with the City of Valdez Parks and Recreation Department to avoid conflict and duplication of activities. Many of the children participating were also those served at AVV. The objective of the camps is to teach children and young adults the value of leadership, healthy choices, and self-esteem through outdoor activities. Younger children had the opportunity to visit a farm outside of Valdez, go on a Glacier cruise, and hike to Mineral Creek. Older kids went rafting, hiking, and on the Glacier cruise.

AVV participated in several community events such as the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration and the annual Gold Rush Celebration. The Gold Rush was a five-day event in which local business and care providers worked together to raise money for local non-profits and scholarships. AVV set up a booth at the open market, offering information about their services, fun activities, and door prizes. They also participated in the parade with this year's theme "Take a Hike," where they won second place for the non-profit category.

AVV was invited on several occasions to the local radio station to talk about the camps, Domestic Violence Awareness Month, AVV services and the after school programs. They were also invited to the Coffee Break show at KCHU to talk about the upcoming Women of Distinction 2015.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

During this quarter, there was a noticeable increase in the volume of the cannery workers that sought assistance. Some sought assistance due to the treatment they have been receiving from cannery management and what was promised them during the hiring process. For some, they sought assistance for housing due to the poor environment they have at the cannery.

AVV is feeling the impact of people in the community that cannot access needed services in Valdez. The local counseling center is not providing services for court ordered drug and alcohol counseling, which accounts for the majority of drug and alcohol referrals. Providence currently has two counselors available for mental health counseling (one full time and one half time), whereas they normally have four counselors on staff. Many participants at AVV are in desperate need of mental health and drug and alcohol counseling.

There are traveling OCS workers servicing Valdez at this time who receive supervision from the Homer Office. It is difficult to advocate for families without a consistent relationship with OCS. This lack of local service providers creates obstacles for people to make positive change in their lives.

## AWAIC-Abused Women's Aid in Crisis-ANCHORAGE

### SUCSESSES

AWAIC's expansion project is moving forward. This past quarter the design team presented two concept drawings for all staff to review. The next stage is to produce schematic drawings. The current estimate for construction is \$3.7 million. AWAIC has gathered some funds and will be implementing a capital campaign in the second or third quarter.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

AWAIC continues to partner with other shelters in the community as well as local churches for the Emergency Cold Weather Plan. AWAIC's role in the ECWP is to provide a 24-hour hotline for families facing a night sleeping outside, and to refer them to the shelter operating for that particular night. AWAIC is actively involved in the group that organizes this effort and has been planning for the coming winter. ECWP will begin accepting people October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015.

The local Green Dot efforts have continued to gather additional community support and interest. AWAIC hosted and co-facilitated a quarterly community-wide bystander training, which had a higher rate of attendance than was seen in the past. Increased media coverage and the ongoing support of our local government officials, including Mayor Ethan Berkowitz, has generated great interest in Green Dot.

The Anchorage Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and Child Abuse Caucus is a group of agencies and individuals focused on addressing systemic issues and how they can become more engaged and effect change in these areas. This coming year they are looking closely at state legislation and the Criminal Justice Commission as well as the changes at the Anchorage Police Department. An area of consistent concern is the education of judges regarding domestic violence. Barriers consistently come up in efforts to address this however they continue to push for more engagement from judges and the court system. AWAIC and other agencies that serve domestic violence and sexual assault victims continue to hear stories about the inconsistency and lack of understanding of these issues among the judiciary. AWAIC has taken the lead in organizing this group over the years and as such AWAIC and the Caucus would encourage CDVSA and ANDVSA to assist in addressing this state-wide issue.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

Over the last several years AWAIC has seen a decline in the number of children served in shelter. We have been unable to identify any clear reason despite anecdotal questioning. This coming year the statistics are looking consistent with those from last year. AWAIC will be looking into ways to gain a better understanding of this issue and how we might be more effective in service delivery. AWAIC is considering traditional paper surveys as well as organizing focus groups.

On August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 19-year-old Preston Junior Clark Perdomo was shot and killed in East Anchorage.

Four separate shootings were reported in a 12-hour period starting on August 22nd in East Anchorage, killing 19-year-old Byzantium Hill and leaving two other teenagers in critical condition.

## AWARE-Aiding Women in Abuse and Rape Emergencies-JUNEAU

### SUCSESSES

AWARE provided 3,481 nights of safe, emergency shelter for 63 women and 43 children during FY16Q1. AWARE continues to be over capacity, averaging around 120% of bed availability. AWARE reports that it has been a challenge to keep advocate and resident spirits up this quarter as the work load has increased.

One of the biggest and most exciting successes for AWARE has been the construction and opening of the 12 unit Transitional Supportive Housing facility, Kaasei. Kaasei construction was substantially completed in July, and received a temporary certificate of occupancy (CO) in August. To date, 8 families, including 11 children and youth have moved into Kaasei.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

AWARE presented their biannual Community Advocacy Training in September 2015. Staff presented on a range of topics to over 15 people from various agencies in Juneau, including the US Coast Guard, ANDVSA and CDVSA, as well as individuals interested in learning more.

AWARE also worked closely with the University of Alaska Southeast to provide several trainings to help students better understand sexual assault and consent. Staff fielded questions about many topics related to sexual assault in the media, including Gamer Gate and Donald Trump.

AWARE's Prevention team experienced some gratifying successes in the Gap Analysis project. This project has had varied reception depending on individual schools and administrators, ranging from support to silence. During this quarter, staff met with Superintendent Mark Miller; this felt like a notable success, as he seemed receptive to brainstorming training possibilities around teen dating violence and looking at the Idaho Model Secondary School Policy for Adolescent Relationship Abuse and Sexual Assault Prevention and Response.

Girls on the Run staff have worked to ensure a smooth start to the fall 2015 season, which began on September 8<sup>th</sup>. In preparation, AWARE GOTR held pre-season meetings with state-wide communities and partner agencies that were expecting to implement Girls on the Run in the upcoming season. AWARE looks forward to a successful season ahead, with teams participating in Juneau, Yakutat, Wrangell, Haines, Homer, Ketchum, Selkirk, Fairbanks, and Cordova.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

AWARE is noticing an increase in the number of women who are seeking services that are unable to safely stay in emergency shelter. Several of the women have severe addictions and co-occurring mental health issues, and arrive at AWARE under the influence and combative. Rarely does AWARE have to restrict entry to the building, and only when advocate/ resident safety is at issue. This quarter, several women have been restricted entry. Finding resources has been severely challenging in the community. The goal is to never "screen out", but to provide some form of assistance to every person who requests help. AWARE has seen an increase in restrictions for safety, and is working to create new plans to safely admit them until detox.

## AWIC-Arctic Women in Crisis-BARROW

### SUCSESSES

During the 1st quarter, AWIC provided residential services for a total of 25 women and 39 children and provided 928 safe- bed nights. AWIC on-call counselors responded to 3 SART calls; the Crisis Line responded to 220 crisis calls.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

In August, in partnership with the Alaskan Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, AWIC hosted the executive directors from Alaskan shelters at the three day quarterly meeting at the Top of the World Hotel. One day of the meeting was devoted to learning about reflective supervision.

AWIC is working with the local college this year and travelling to the North Slope villages with their Student Success Center Team. AWIC staff met with the youth from Pt. Lay on October 1<sup>st</sup> to talk about healthy relationships. The Student Success Center sponsored a dodgeball tournament and a community dinner. AWIC staff visited Kali School and the Pt. Lay Health Clinic to distribute information about DVAM.

AWIC held two MDT Meetings this quarter and Cory Bryant Trainer at the Child Welfare Academy participated telephonically. There is a grant funding opportunity to establish a child advocacy center in Barrow. The NSBMDT members decided that AWIC would write the grant application. AWIC will meet with the Director of the NSBHD to discuss placing the CAC at the Allied Health Center. The center is attached to the NSB Wellness Center and is a safe and welcoming space with access through a separate entrance and onsite parking.

Children's Activities: This summer on July 6, AWIC advocates met with nineteen students and discussed the role of victim service advocates; after the discussion the students toured AWIC. AWIC was excited to participate in the community festival Qaunakkutiniq Thursday on July 23, and set up an arts and crafts table and advocates painted the children's faces. On September 10, AWIC advocates taught social skills to 70 students at the Barrow Boys and Girls Club. AWIC advocates will be teaching the students twice a month using material designed to help them understand the different reactions we have to difficult situations and how our responses affect those around us. Advocates met with the 70 students on September 24 to discuss ways the youth can have an impact on their community. The students printed a list with monthly awareness events and decided that they would plan an activity for Domestic Violence Awareness Month (DVAM). One group of students decided to design flyers and on 9/28, advocates met with the students who designed colorful and unique flyers for DVAM.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

The District Attorney's Office in Barrow closed; cases are handled telephonically from the DA's Office in Fairbanks. The community is understandably concerned about the lack of an onsite District Attorney and the impact it may have on the community.

## BSWG-Bering Sea Women's Group - NOME

### SUCSESSES

BSWG responded to a SART call. After the forensic exam, BSWG admitted the program participant. During her stay at the shelter, the program participant became more emotionally stable and confident. Advocates referred the program participant to Behavioral Health Services and other appropriate service providers. With support, she applied for Food Stamps and Social Security and made medical appointments.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

BSWG reached out to the Alaska State Troopers to produce a public service announcement on domestic violence awareness.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

None noted.

## CFRC-Cordova Family Resource Center-CORDOVA

### SUCSESSES

CFRC's staff received a call from local Forest Service stating that they had confiscated an illegal moose. Staff cut and processed the moose by themselves and divided the moose along with other canned goods donated by Forest Service to a total of 15 DV/SA families. CFRC is looked at as an agency that "Knows the needs of the families" (quote from local providers) which leads to food donations, wild game processing (during off hours), and distribution to the families they assist.

Another success has been with local Safe homes and hotels. CFRC placed two clients with children in safe homes during this quarter, assisted another client in shelter through other resources, and assisted with transportation outside of the community for two clients. There has also been an increase of males seeking services, potentially stemming from the outreach they do with the male community members (i.e. Cordova Men Choose Respect).

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

CFRC continues to reach out to the Latin and Filipino populations as well as the Cannery/fishing industries communities. They also continue to work with and refer to AJP/LIC.

CFRC held 2 summer camps this quarter that were full to capacity for a total of 20 youth. They partnered with the Forest Service to provide opportunities for fun outdoor activities. CFRC also partnered with the School District to provide free lunch to the youth involved in the 52 summer lunch/art classes provided by CFRC.

CFRC started Girls on the Run (GOTR) this quarter, which was a very empowering program for the girls. It was full to capacity, and they have started a waitlist for next season.

The Cordova Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) is active, meeting monthly, and available to provide services to SART victims. The Native Village of Eyak and CFRC have a rotating on-call calendar for SART response.

B.I.O.N.I.C. (Believe It or Not I Care) youth group has been meeting weekly afterschool. CFRC staff are currently using the 4<sup>th</sup> R afterschool curriculum during these meetings. This will increase to two days a week next quarter. There are five youth from this group attending the upcoming Lead-On Conference.

CFRC was asked again to come in during 7<sup>th</sup> grade orientation to discuss assertive skills and personal safety. This has been something that the school has continued to request each year.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

CFRC continues to deal with very complex cases that take many hours of advocacy.

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

### SUCSESSES

While the emergency shelter remains full much of the time IAC is continuing to be successful helping individuals get in to safe permanent housing. This quarter IAC gave out 10 vouchers reaching their 41 voucher limit with Alaska Housing. With continued advocacy to landlords in the Fairbanks and North Pole area, they are seeing an increase in landlords who are willing to work with AHFC to use the vouchers and have successfully had a few landlords willing to lower the rent to accommodate and meet the rental guidelines for the vouchers.

Transitional housing remains in high demand with individuals wanting the extra support and case management that accompanies the program. Since the program moved over to the shelter in late 2013 IAC has assisted 13 families with moving into safe and permanent housing.

IAC spent time this quarter attending trainings and organizing to be able to offer the Kids Club Moms Empowerment group to individuals who had participated in interviews as part of the control group previously. Many individuals have expressed interest in this group and our hope is that once we do the initial group we will be able to offer it to other individuals who are interested.

One of the biggest highlights for this quarter was being able to be in court for a sexual assault trial that went before a jury and seeing the outcome of guilty for sexual assault in the 1st degree. There was a lot of collaboration that occurred between agencies such as IAC, AST and the district attorney's office to see this trial through to the end. After approximately 2 years of waiting and postponements the result was empowering for the survivor who stuck through it all. It was one time when all pieces came together and the system worked the way it is meant to work.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

IAC is continuing to collaborate with local military bases. This quarter IAC provided training to approximately 60 service members on Fort Wainwright who could potentially be interacting with victims of sexual assault.

In September, Girls on the Run was launched at two host sites, Pearl Creek Elementary and the Boys & Girls Club of the Tanana Valley. The Boys & Girls Club is the pilot for community host sites in Alaska. Twenty one girls participated in the program this quarter, and a Girls on the Run "SoleMate" ran the Equinox Marathon here in Fairbanks raising \$831 for the local program.

The Green Dot Fairbanks Team has been working on their plan for a launch event of the program in the Fairbanks area that will take place within the next quarter. In July IAC was able to connect with both the Alaska State Troopers and the Fairbanks Police Department in an effort to bring them on board and get their involvement with the program.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

None noted.

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

### SUCSESSES

KWRCC successfully expanded to their new building, creating three new bedrooms and a legal advocacy office in the original building. In their new building they have meeting and education rooms, along with space to be able to provide SART interviews and exams so they can fully administer SART through KWRCC.

KWRCC continues a new program called Day Services, in which nonresidents are able to access the shelter and services during day hours. They also started their annual Beginning Advocacy class and have five people in attendance.

KWRCC continues to have a licensed therapist come to the shelter to provide services for the resident clients that may be suffering from trauma. This program has gotten a lot of very positive feedback from clients.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

In August, KWRCC's Outreach team attended KANA's Women's Wellness Retreat at Woody Island and presented on Domestic Violence awareness and services at KWRCC. Also in August, KWRCC hosted a table at the Kodiak Fair and Rodeo, where they provided information, games, face painting and gave away Choose Respect sweatshirts.

KWRCC has collaborated with Sunaq to restart the Native Women's Advisory Committee, which will work with natural leaders in the Native community to address domestic violence and sexual assault in the native community.

KWRCC continues the collaborative work built through the SAFTEE project in Kodiak. This project is, to create a safer way to work with mothers whose children are in the OCS system due to domestic violence and their homes. This project's goal is to work to keep children with the non-offending parent, while maintaining safety.

KWRCC continues to provide invaluable community services, including Stepping Stones and their Soluciones support group (facilitated in Spanish for Latino community members).

KWRCC continues to have their first off site Advocate working in the village of Old Harbor to provide in-village access to direct services, community safety planning, prevention work, and broader collaborations.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

Kodiak continues to have very limited housing available as well as extremely high rents. This makes it difficult to place clients into safe affordable housing, resulting in longer stays at their shelter.

## LSC-The LeeShore Center-KENAI

### SUCSESSES

During this quarter LSC was able to assist a woman with obtaining car repairs, applying for subsidized housing, obtaining employment and locating safe housing. Another client got the legal assistance she needed, applied for and obtained subsidized housing, and now is living safely in the community.

LSC is celebrating its 30th year! The local newspaper, Peninsula Clarion, did an article on the agency and services LSC provides.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

LSC continues to provide outreach through public service announcements, community education, awareness presentations, and through collaborative efforts with community partners. They provided local medical facilities with updated agency brochures and safety information for victims.

LSC held their 28th annual Run for Women, which was a great success! A total of 140 runners participated and 30 volunteers assisted with pre-race preparation and on race day. The event was covered in the local newspaper.

They also had a successful 27th KSRM/LeeShore Radiothon Fundraiser. The goal was to raise \$30,000 in honor of their 30th year and they well exceeded that goal, raising a total of \$43,300 in cash and in-kind donations.

LSC hosted the 2-day advanced course on Strangulation Response, Investigation and Prosecution training; a total of 42 participants attended.

LSC partnered with the Domestic Animal Abuse Protection League to present information to Borough meeting members about animal abuse and domestic violence.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

None noted.

## SAFE-Safe and Fear-Free Environment-Dillingham

### SUCSESSES

Susan Christianson facilitated the Board of Directors and Staff in development of a strategic plan for 2015-2017. The draft plan is complete, and will be approved at the November Board meeting.

Ulla's Place Thrift Store was closed during this quarter for remodeling. Iccle Seafoods donated paint that helped with a big part of the expenses. Moving their sorting room from a small room in the back of the store to the child care room that is no longer in use has increased volunteers, the amount of items being donated from the community, and in revenue as well.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

SAFE's Direct Services Coordinator and Executive Director traveled to King Salmon to do outreach with Rebecca Hammond (King Salmon/Naknek Village Advocate) and to collaborate on organizing a SART team for the East Side.

SAFE received the final evaluation of the CANDU (Community Action Network Directed Upstream) Partnership Project, the primary prevention program first implemented under the Governors' Choose Respect Initiative and continued under the CDVSA. SAFE is planning a series of meetings in the spring to engage the community in a review and analysis of the Evaluation findings and to plan where to go from there.

SAFE collaborated with community partners to provide Summer Youth Services (Outdoor Parks & Recreation for children 4-11, Little League, soccer, community gardening, etc.) and Culture Camp. The Summer Services focus is on inter-personal violence prevention concepts and the Culture Camp teaches cultural traditions. Two motivational speakers were brought in to work with the youth (Nick Hanson from Alaska's Ninja Warrior and Byron Nicholai from Tooksook Bay's I Sing. You Dance). At the end of Culture Camp, the youth invited the Elders to a dinner to gift them the processed salmon, jams, and jellies they made during camp.

SAFE held 11 SISTR's meetings during this quarter. Women from the community and from Jakes Place attend to support each other in recovery from the collective impact of interpersonal violence, child sexual abuse and difficulties with alcohol and/or drug use.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

SAFE continues to work on solving issues surrounding replacing their existing septic system, including determining the most cost-effective solutions.

Due to some of the funding cuts that SAFE has experienced, they have refrained from filling many vacant positions, so the current staff members fill in where needed. SAFE is commitment to keeping their core services intact.

## SAFV-Sitkans Against Family Violence-SITKA

### SUCSESSES

After being over capacity most of last year, Q1 of FY16 is starting out much slower. 17 women and 13 children resided at SAFV the first quarter for a total of 552 bed nights. There were 67 non-resident program participants who received services and 72 crisis calls.

Despite financial cutbacks, CDVSA was able to fund two more sessions of Kids Club and Mom's Empowerment Program (KCMEP) for FY16 for SAFV.

SAFV was delighted to learn that they received \$75,000 continuation funds for their Prevention Program. The Prevention programs are gaining momentum with implementation and community-wide engagement and the Prevention purpose is firmly rooted in SAFV's philosophy and mission.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

The SAFV director met with Jeremy Braitwaithe, from the Dept. of Criminology, Law and Society, University of California, Irvine. He is conducting a study on sexual assault and Alaska Natives, as we know the numbers are dis-proportionally high. The director took him to meet key stakeholders in the community: Sitka Tribe, Law Enforcement, clinicians, and spent many hours discussing this study and how it might take place in Sitka. He was also introduced to several elders who are survivors in order to get their perspectives and advice. He will return in the second quarter and the director agreed to do a campaign and assist with recruiting and supporting survivors to take part in the study.

SAFV staff and board continue to meet with Foraker to move forward with the deferred maintenance/shelter expansion project. Another cost estimate was completed this quarter, after the architects and director scaled down the original shelter design. It appears as if the shelter will have to fundraise/provide about \$600,000, which, when combined with the amount from Alaska Community Foundation for deferred maintenance, will be enough to cover the badly needed shelter expansion.

This quarter, in partnership with Mt. Edgecumbe High School (MEHS), SAFV offered a local Coaching Boys into Men training. There was an impressive turnout; 25 MEHS male coaches, teachers and dorm staff attended and participated.

Seventeen individuals participated in SAFV's community training, with four of them attending all sessions. Five were new SAFV staff members; the others represented three agencies; one church, one medical provider, and the Sitka Winter Fellowship program. SAFV had five in-house presenters, and four community professionals. As always, this was an impressive and very comprehensive program.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

None noted.

## SCS—Seaview Community Services - SEWARD

### SUCSESSES

SCS went to operating its own crisis line. SCS felt it was time to break away from the Behavioral Health Crisis line. SCS's future plan is to have a shelter in Seward and this is one step in the process of that goal. SCS had 4 staff members complete the online 40 hour DVSA training and two of them are now helping with coverage of the Crisis line to help the Coordinator.

The SCS Coordinator attended the Annual Behavioral Health Prevention Grantee Meeting in Anchorage. The first workshop was Advocacy 101- How to talk to Policymakers and influence Public Policy. The second workshop was Communication Planning, this focused on the importance of communications and practical advice for using media and marketing to promote the message of your organization. The third workshop was Volunteer Recruitment and leadership development.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

SCS has been focusing on victim services this quarter which has not been very busy. We were waiting on the outcome of our grant funding so we also have had not community trainings or events

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

None noted.

## SPHH-South Peninsula Haven House-HOMER

### SUCSESSES

SPHH shelter was at capacity the majority of this quarter and continues to house several young families. They provided assistance to families working with OCS, including coordinating services and offering supportive services as necessary. They also provided legal advocacy, safety planning, and other daily services. SPHH was able to assist a shelter resident with employment through their Haven House Thrift Store, and assisted another with obtaining much needed medical insurance.

This quarter SPHH began the planning stages for two groups that have previously been offered to shelter residents and other participants: the 12% Happier Group (a woman's group that focuses on wellness and self-care) and the Kid's Club Mom's Empowerment Program (KCMEP) group for mothers and their children.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

The Green Dot Bystander Prevention program was adopted by the high school, with student trainings set for next quarter. Trained high school staff worked with community Green Dot instructors and SPHH staff to practice their presentations and organize implementation of this program. A Green Dot Homer High coordinator was named, and the principal and student leadership are supportive and engaged.

Support offered to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade health class continued, with expansion into 7<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grades. New community partners joined the effort to offer social emotional learning and relationship skills to 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> graders. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade health teacher is taking the lead in promoting continuity for 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade health.

In August SPHH was excited to get the chance to honor Representative Paul Seaton in person at a reception at Bunnell Street Arts Center. He was selected in March to receive the Haven House staff award, Hero of the Heart. Board members, staff, local partners, and the public gathered to recognize Representative Seaton for his work as an ally in prevention and intervention efforts for violence and abuse.

SPHH prevention staff, along with other community partners, had the opportunity to present to the school board on trauma-informed practices and Adverse Childhood Experiences. Two presentations were made, one during the working hours of the school board meeting, and one during the public portion of the meeting.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

A client had difficulty accessing benefits through public assistance due to safety precautions she had taken to prevent her perpetrator from locating her, including changing her social security number. It took several months but she and her family are now receiving full benefits.

The lack of affordable housing currently available is sometimes discouraging.

## STAR-Standing Together Against Rape – ANCHORAGE

### SUCSESSES

STAR and a Training Coordinator of the Trust Training Cooperative work on Youth Mental First Aid.

STAR is building new presentations, such as LGBT Ally training and an introduction to working with Transgender individuals. STAR has applied for a VISTA volunteer.

STAR continues to host Anchorage DART meetings.

STAR provides outreach and education meetings to homeless persons and those at risk of homelessness at Beans Café, and educational groups at Dena A Coy and Clitheroe residential treatment programs.

STAR had the opportunity to meet with BACA (Bikers Against Child Abuse). STAR assisted a family of a victim of child sexual assault obtain a security system for their home. STAR assisted the family to contact BACA. The child's mother reports that BACA will come to the house and stand watch while the child rides their bike, and will play out door games with them. The mother also reports that the child has gained a very visibly improved confidence and is much less fearful.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

Alaska CARES is reviewing and updating their program's policies. STAR hosted a meeting of the various disciplines working together and examined procedures and protocols that allow for improvements in team support and service provision.

STAR Events Coordinator was interviewed twice for the KTUU Morning Show regarding Anchorage's second annual Megga Stop the Violence Block Party.

STAR held a Green Dot training for community members in bystander intervention.

STAR was spotlighted at two local downtown First Friday events as the Charity of Choice.

STAR hosted a screening of the documentary The Hunting Ground and held a discussion panel. Advocates were available to speak with anyone needing support.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

STAR is advertising for several administrative positions; Operations Manager, Administrative Assistant, and a new position for Development Director.

## TWC – Tundra Women’s Coalition - BETHEL

### SUCSESSES

People from the PEW foundation came to Bethel to talk about restorative justice in this region. They heard from the current ED, and a former ED of TWC, several former program participants, elders in the region, and other agency representatives.

The SART MDT is strengthening. All partners are showing up at monthly meetings and a new MOU is in process.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

TWC provides services to many communities with very few victim resources. Only one village community in the YK region has a shelter for victims of domestic violence or sexual assault besides Bethel. A few village communities don't have law enforcement. TWC has a 24-hour crisis line that can be utilized by everyone in the delta. TWC regularly sends contact information and brochures about TWC to these communities. Additionally, in Bethel, there are certain resources that are difficult to access, or have a long waiting period, including subsidized housing and behavior health services.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

Bethel experienced many losses in the summer between accidental deaths, unexpected deaths, and suicides. A number of these deaths directly affected TWC staff personally or by affiliation through programs. After the initial shock wore off the staff took intentional steps to expand personal and institutionalized self-care, grief-processing, and healthy communication. TWC was able to organize a full staff berry-picking trip, weekly staff meetings that focused on medication, processing, self-care, and building up individual and institutional support structures to bring program participants and staff through that difficult time.

TWC had not planned on utilizing the staff retention plan that was requested for this cycle of funding, but the staff needed it because of everything that happened in the summer, so it was useful that a plan was already in place.

Additionally, the shelter was so full at one point that a family was moved to one of TWC's duplex properties that is not part of program services. The duplex is intended to act as a rental to bring earned income to TWC, but since one was not being utilized and the shelter was so full, we temporarily transferred a family to it.

There was a murder/suicide of a couple in Emmonak. And, a Marshall man was arrested for killing a 62-year-old woman, his future mother-in-law.

## VFJ – Victims for Justice - ANCHORAGE

### SUCSESSES

VFJ received a phone call from someone who was a program participant many years ago. She needed some assistance not related to what we do, but felt like she could really trust us to give her the right information, and VFJ was able to refer her to the right place.

VFJ is working very hard to accommodate a program participant outside of Anchorage for when she will go to trial. She just had surgery so VFJ is coordinating not only the normal things, but adding in some nursing/wound care while she is here. VFJ attended all pretrial conferences as she was unable to be here. As she put it, her “load has been lightened during this heavy time.”

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

VFJ has attended a few small outreach measures at some churches to inform people of our services. One was a poetry slam for kids; another was a food bank for their church community.

VFJ held the annual Monument Ceremony where VFJ read aloud all the names of homicide victims for the past 15 years and new names were added with plaques installed at the request of their families.

VFJ attended Explain 5 meetings- Alaska Police and Fire Chaplains, Department of Corrections roundtable to discuss victim rights and met with the Anchorage Mayor's Public Safety Advisor and the Fairbanks Mayor and his Victim Assistant.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

The new VFJ Executive Director has been meeting with several partners a week to get to know everyone and see how VFJ is working together now and what VFJ can do in the future together.

## WISH-Women in Safe Homes-KETCHIKAN

### SUCSESSES

WISH had several success stories this quarter with program participants. One success was a Program Participant and her children who had been in shelter since January. The Program Participant secured a job, and got signed up for Alaska Housing. In July a Wish Alaska Housing voucher became available and she was able to secure an apartment for her and her children. In partnership with Love, Inc. and Ketchikan Indian Community the Program Participant was able to get the items she needed to furnish her new apartment, including beds and furniture and is now out on her own and doing very well.

Women's groups have started up again with the addition of the Family Resource Advocate position. During July she led a group on jam making. With this position on board now, WISH has been able to offer more services to program participants including help with writing resumes, filling out housing applications, and applying for public assistance.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

WISH and KPU TV began filming a documentary centered on the effects of toxic stress, Violence, and neglect in the lives of youth in Ketchikan. Many community organizations were asked to be a part of this documentary. So far two segments of the documentary have been filmed, highlighting the efforts of Big Brothers and Big Sisters and Ketchikan Youth Initiative.

The First Annual WISH Scenic Soiree' was a fantastic success. The weather cooperated with a beautiful evening which allowed the cruisers to see the sights from the top deck. Allen Marine Tours donated the crew and ship, Cape Fox Lodge donated the hors d'oeuvres, and Vigor Alaska coordinated and matched the ticket sales.

WISH and the Ketchikan Gateway Borough School District began conversations about developing a Dating Violence & Stalking Policy that is victim/survivor centered. The Superintendent is supportive of developing a policy and has approached the School Board about the need for this policy. A team was developed and began meeting to review two model policies and will begin adapting the policy to be Ketchikan specific and remove any barriers that would hinder this policy from being adopted.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

One death occurred recently and was ruled accidental drowning. Rumors are circulating to the cause of the death, but law enforcement stated the tragedy was attributed to accidental means.

WISH reports substantial staff turnover which requires additional training for new employees. The new staff express an eagerness to learn and have a higher level of education and experience from the previous employees. WISH anticipates services will improve in quality to participants once the new staff is fully trained. All new staff are completing the 40 hour training and shadowing prior to working independently.

## AFS – Alaska Family Services Family Violence Intervention Program – PALMER

### OVERVIEW

AFS FVIP presented on the following topics: Why do Victims Stay, What's Love Got to Do with It?, Self-esteem, Hierarchy of Needs, Success, Tough Guise, Bro Code, Sexual Harassment, Sexual Assault/Abuse, North Country, Sexual Assault review, Men's Violence pretest, Masculinity Traps, and Male Privilege.

### SUCSESSES

AFS FVIP had 14 intakes. New participants were accepted into the program and one participant completed their court-ordered groups for this quarter.

### CONCERNS

The court systems in Anchorage, Fairbanks and Palmer have started charging for records requests of the client's judgments, which show the programs the clients are ordered to, and the date they are ordered to complete the program. With the changes in Courtview and now with the fees of the records request it has become difficult to acquire the necessary information for clients. The program does not have the funds to purchase the records needed for the program to be compliant in petitioning the court to revoke probation on clients that are non-compliant. AFS FVIP is planning to meet with court personnel to see what can be done.

### INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement - We meet and discussed the program with the new AST recruits to the Mat-Su Valley.
- Prosecutors - The FVIP staff attends monthly DVIP hearings and provides individual client statuses to the DA's office. We are looking to schedule a meeting with the DA next quarter to discuss our program.
- Court System – The AFS FVIP continues to experience delays for records requests and now the courts in Anchorage, Palmer and Fairbanks have begun to charge for records requests.
- Probation/Parole – AFS FVIP provided status updates on a regular basis to the individual officers. AFS FVIP presented on the FVIP program to the community officers.
- Medical - Public Health and the hospital were involved in monthly DV Task Force meetings.
- Office of Children's Services (OCS) – FVIP continues to provide status updates to OCS clients with releases of information. OCS continues to send FVIP referrals to conduct intakes on their clients for placement in FVIP classes.
- DV Task Force – AFS FVIP participated in monthly Task Force meetings.
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) – Information is offered to victims during safety checks.
- Behavioral Health - Information is offered to victims during safety checks.
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs – AFS FVIP maintains regular contact with the local DV shelter to coordinate services and provide victim safety checks. AFS FVIP continues to coordinate services of our clients with other Batterer Intervention Programs.

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

### OVERVIEW

This quarter, JCAP staff reduced the waitlist from 22 to 13. This quarter experienced classes with low attendance while staff worked with participants, the courts, and community partners to determine the eligibility of men for participation in the JCAP program.

The impending State-wide budget cuts significantly affected JCAP, most specifically regarding CourtView and finding necessary, relevant information such as sentencing information. Police reports are taking longer to receive (due to JPD staffing), which significantly affects JCAP's ability to perform intakes and get men enrolled in the program

### SUCSESSES

JCAP Staff was in a change of a plea hearing for a new client who has a history of DV against his wife. In sentencing comment, City Prosecutor Sherri Layne stated that she thought that the client was a "perfect fit for JCAP". Judge Nave agreed, and further reflected that JCAP is a very good program and that, while the non-completion rate is high, in his five years as district court judge he's found that completers rarely return to court for domestic violence offenses.

### INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – JPD has been vital to completing intakes during the assessment process. Due to budget cuts, JPD has been slow to send police reports.
- Prosecutors – This quarter, several participants were noncompliant and JCAP communicated with prosecutors about their concerns. Prosecutors have been helpful in addressing these concerns with the courts and working to maintain JCAP as an accountability program in the courts. JCAP staff continues to testify to the courts in regard to JCAP participants and their compliance in program.
- Court System – JCAP continues to have positive relationships with the court. See comments in "Successes" above.
- Probation/Parole – This quarter, JCAP staff worked with a participant's probation officer to verify that they were eligible to take leave from program, to complete a temporary work position. Staff expressed their concerns and mutually agreed to work with probation so that the participant remained in compliance. Staff is appreciative of the time and effort field probation extends when working with JCAP.
- OCS (Office of Children's Services) – Staff faced its first mandatory report due to the proactive disclosure from a JCAP participant who asked Staff after class what he needed to do regarding the abuse he was made aware of in his neighborhood.
- Behavioral Health – JCAP Staff experienced some delays regarding collaboration with JAMHI. JCAP worked with JAMHI on a couple of cases with one participant eventually enrolled in the program; the second candidate will be reviewed after further time and assessment by JAMHI
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs – Staff is currently working with BIP in Tukwila, Washington

## IAC/LEAP- Community-Based Batterers Intervention Program -FAIRBANKS

### OVERVIEW

LEAP has 26 slots available for offenders who qualify for sliding scale assistance due to low or no income. Offenders are responsible for providing documentation on a quarterly basis in order to qualify. If they go non-compliant then they lose their sliding scale status. This list has continued to stay full and LEAP has also continued to have a wait list of men who qualify but have to wait to get in due to limited funds. This quarter 11 new people were admitted into the Sliding Scale BIP program.

### SUCSESSES

LEAP has continued to update curriculum in order to address the tactics used by abusers and to teach them why it is important to change these parts of them and how to do it. Recent research has shown a strong correlating link between childhood trauma, an increase in cortisol to the child's brain, and end results of ADHD. One of the components of this neurobiological condition is difficulty with impulsivity and self-control. The majority of participants have been through childhood trauma. LEAP is now adding pieces to program that teach more on impulse control in addition to the lesson material on self-control that is already in place.

LEAP has continued to work with Ft. Wainwright Social work Services to assist in working with offending soldiers who have not been arrested but have been identified by SWS as being abusive.

### INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – Through the CCR and DVTF meetings and via the Community program LEAP has communication with law enforcement that has been constructive, particularly with the troopers.
- Prosecutors – LEAP maintains regular contact with the DA by providing them with affidavits of non-compliance on a monthly basis, feedback.
- Court System-LEAP participates in a weekly ongoing status hearing for offenders with the Judge. Client status is also provided upon request.
- Medical- LEAP has regular interaction with Forensic Nursing Services through the CCR meetings. There is a cross-over of offenders who are in jail due to assaults that have required medical treatment for victims and who get into the community program.
- Probation/Parole – Regular communication with probation and parole occurs, and there is a cooperative relationship. LEAP provides them with training on DV offenders and understanding treatment for offenders, case conferences occur, LEAP works with the PACE program, and at times LEAP provides insight and suggestions on probationary conditions
- OCS (Office of Children's Services) – Contact with OCS occurs when Reports of Harm are filed. LEAP participates in meetings with caseworkers on client progress, and has ongoing referrals from OCS to the program.
- DV Task Force – LEAP attends DVTF meetings as they are held.
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs – LEAP's Director has regular contact with programs throughout the country and state.

## KIC– Ketchikan Indian Community – KETCHIKAN

### OVERVIEW

KIC works with their BIP clients find tools to help them change their beliefs on abuse, gender roles, power and control. KIC continues providing quality services to survivors and victims of domestic violence through their Victim Advocacy Program. KIC also works to bring awareness and educate the Ketchikan community on the danger and prevalence of DV/SA in the community.

### SUCSESSES

Several BIP clients completed the program this quarter. Of these clients, one had been involved with the program for three years, another involved for four years.

In April, KIC hosted training from the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium (ANTHC) on issues of Historical Trauma and how it relates to Alaska Native history and domestic violence. ANTHC also brought Rita Blumenstein to offer historical knowledge. KIC had the honor of being the first to host the Directors of the Office of Violence Against Women (OVW) on their Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) 20 year anniversary tour through Alaska. This coincided with WISH's annual advocate training; therefore KIC was only able to attend a portion of that training.

### INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – The Ketchikan Chief of Police sits on several collaborative task forces, including DART and the DVTF, which KIC participates in.
- Prosecutors- Communication is kept with prosecutors in regards to client referrals, monitoring, and Status Update Hearings.
- Court System- KIC attends Status Update Hearing and has communication with the Court System.
- Probation/Parole – KIC communicates with probation and parole regarding participants in the program.
- Medical – N/A
- OCS (Office of Children's Services) – This quarter, KIC received one referral from OCS.
- DV Task Force – Attendance has been low at the monthly task force meetings.
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) –N/A
- Behavioral Health – Several referrals have been made to the KIC Behavioral Health Clinic.
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs – KIC maintains regular contact with WISH and SAIL.

## LSC/CPBIP-Central Peninsula Batterers Intervention Program-KENAI

### OVERVIEW

During the 1st quarter, eight men were court ordered into the program; five new participants entered and received orientation. There was one court hearing to address non-compliance issues; he was reassigned to the class.

### SUCSESSES

During this quarter, a couple of participants who have already completed the current coursework asked if they could do the work a second time because now they see a different side to it and understand it better. That is gratifying for the facilitators and is important for the newer class members to hear the opinions of their peers. Two men completed the program in this quarter.

### INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement- Members from Kenai Police Department, Soldotna Police Department, and the Soldotna detachment of Alaska State Troopers attended the recent Advanced Strangulation Investigation training hosted by LSC. KPD Officer Dan Smith presented for the October Community Awareness Workshop (CAW) on DV/SA, and KPD officers gave CAW attendees ride-along experience the following week.
- Prosecutors- The District Attorney's office made a presentation about DV and the legal system at LSC's semi-annual Community Awareness Workshop on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.
- Court System- This quarter, the CPBIP co-facilitator attended one court date.
- Probation/Parole- CPBIP recently collaborated with Adult Probation about several participants and received a new referral.
- Medical- Staff from the Children's Advocacy Center presented at the October Community Awareness Workshop. The hospital is currently trying to recruit additional SANE's (there are only two on call now, so if they are unavailable, the victims is sent to Homer or Anchorage).
- OCS (Office of Children's Services)- LSC receives referrals to CPBIP from OCS. The Kenai OCS office made a presentation to LSC's workshop attendees about mandatory reporting.
- DV Task Force- LSC's Executive Director chairs the task force meetings, one of which was in October.
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB)- The CPBIP co-facilitator (in her role as Education & Training Coordinator) spoke about VCCB during the Community Awareness Workshop in October.
- Behavioral Health- LSC collaborates with Center for Human Development, Independent Living Center, Dena'ina Wellness Center (Kenaitze Indian Tribe), and Peninsula Community Health Services about common clients who experience disabilities and are victims of domestic violence/sexual assault.
- Other Victim Services or Batterer Intervention Programs- As needed CPBIP acts as a monitoring agent for BIP participants who have been ordered to complete a program as part of their judgment in a different jurisdiction.

## SPHH/DVIP-Domestic Violence Intervention Program-HOMER

### OVERVIEW

Three participants have completed the program this quarter. Two new intakes were conducted and the clients were current with attendance and fee payment.

Staff attended three training Webinar's this quarter and found them beneficial. The various trainings in which staff participated were all diverse approaches to services models that helped to broaden the scope of services provided and best serve the unique needs of SPHH's population. The Duluth Blue Print for Safety, for example, was a training that was relevant and applicable to the services provided by this Batterers Intervention Program.

### SUCSESSES

SPHH considers success when someone completes the program and states that the process has made a positive impact. They received positive feedback from exiting participants. One gentleman stated, "Because of this program I have maintained sobriety for over 1 year. This was the first year in I don't know how long that I was sober on my birthday." Another individual said, "One of the most important things I realized is I don't have to say everything I think." The self-awareness that clients gain is beneficial for them, their partners, and their children.

### INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement- Interactions have been ongoing and positive.
- Prosecutors- SPHH has developed a positive working relationship with the local district attorney. Meetings take place before status hearings are attended.
- Court System- Interactions with the local court system are positive and ongoing.
- Probation/Parole- There is not a local probation/parole officer.
- Medical- SPHH has a positive and ongoing relationship with the local SART team.
- OCS (Office of Children's Services)- SPHH has an ongoing positive and collaborative relationship with the local OCS.
- DV Task Force- Meetings are attended on a regular basis with the local emergency response team.
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB)- Advocates work with VCCB as needed.
- Behavioral Health- SPHH's relationship with the Center is ongoing and positive.
- Other Victim Services or Batterer Intervention Programs- Ongoing collaboration is positive and accessed as needed.

BIP - Community FY15 1st Quarter Statistics July 1 - September 30, 2016	AFS Palmer	AWARE Juneau	IAC Fairbanks	KIC Ketchikan	LSC Kenai	SPHH Homer	Total
How many new participants were court-ordered into the program?	5	5	13	0	8	2	33
How many written intake assessments were completed?	14	2	13	1	5	2	37
How many participants were accepted into the program?	14	2	13	1	5	2	37
How many new victim safety checks were completed? (spoke directly with the victim)	4	1	3	8	4	0	20
How many safety checks were completed? (includes new and continuing victims)	29	14	6	37	47	0	133
How many participants completed the program during this quarter?	1	5	1	0	2	3	12
How many participants were non-compliant during this quarter?	4	2	4	3	9	0	22
How many participants were re-arrested for domestic violence during this quarter (defined as police arrest and charge of domestic violence)?	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
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	3	0	0	0	4
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)	9	10	6	1	5	0	31
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	4	6	1	4	0	15
What is the total dollars of fees collected?	\$6,899	\$2,720	\$0	\$1,450	\$2,675	\$935	\$14,679
What is the total dollars of accounts receivable (more than 30 days past due)?	\$0	\$3,270	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$300	\$3,570

## AFS – Prison-Based Batterer’s Program – PALMER

### OVERVIEW

AFS PBP presented on the following topics: Why Do Victims Stay?, What’s Love got to do with It?, Self-esteem, Hierarchy of Needs, Success, Tough Guise, Bro Code, Sexual Harassment, Sexual Assault/Abuse, North Country, Sexual Assault review, Men’s Violence pretest, Masculinity Traps, and Male Privilege.

### CONCERNS

There is a change in services with the court systems in Anchorage, Fairbanks and Palmer. They started charging AFS PBP for records requests of the client’s judgments. With the changes in Courtview and now fees of the records request it has become difficult to acquire the necessary information for AFS PBP clients. The program does not have the funds for records. AFS PBP is planning to meet with court personnel to see what can be done on this situation.

### SUCSESSES

AFS PBP had 10 intakes and new participants were accepted into the program and eight participants completed their court-ordered groups for this quarter.

### INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – AFS PBP met and discussed the program with the new AST recruits to the Mat-Su Valley.
- Prosecutors – The FVIP staff attends monthly DVIP hearings and provides individual client statuses to the DA’s office. AFS PBP is looking to schedule a meeting with the DA next quarter to discuss our program.
- Court System – AFS PBP continues to experience delays of records requests and now the courts in Anchorage, Palmer and Fairbanks have begun to charge AFS PBP for records requests.
- Probation/Parole – Probation officers continue to give us referrals for our groups and help coordination of services at their facilities.
- Medical - Public Health and the hospital were involved in monthly DV Task Force meetings.
- Office of Children’s Services (OCS) – Our contact with OCS is limited with clients in the Prison-Based Program. When inmates are released we have worked with OCS to conduct intakes and to provide status reports.
- DV Task Force – AFS PBP participated in monthly Task Force meetings.
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) – Information is offered to victims during safety checks.
- Behavioral Health - We have regular contact and collaboration with local mental health providers regarding coordination of services. Staff will be receiving additional training through AFS’ Behavior Health Treatment Center.
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs – AFS PBP maintains regular contact with the local DV shelter to coordinate services and provide victim safety checks. AFS PBP continues to coordinate services of other Batterer Intervention Programs.

## AWARE/JCAP– Prison Based Program –JUNEAU

### OVERVIEW

JCAP took a few weeks off from Lemon Creek Correctional Center (LCCC) for multiple coinciding reasons: staff was minimally available (transition of JVs and illness), and the death of two participants. Staff worked with the probation officers and discussed inviting more eligible men to the program, and also planned a more rapid assessment for prisoners so that time spent by JCAP staff driving to and from LCCC, often to be turned away due to internal correctional center issues, was minimized.

### SUCSESSES

JCAP staff participation in the weekly meetings at LCCC with community partners provides an opportunity to be in the know of possible entries in to the program, to get an awareness of participants outside of JCAP, and to plan for their entry in to the community program. JCAP Staff was able to work together to be present at every meeting this quarter.

### INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement –N/A
- Prosecutors –N/A
- Court System – N/A
- Probation/Parole – Staff continues to meet weekly with institutional probation officers at Lemon Creek Correctional Center to provide updates and receive feedback on participants. Staff communicates with field probation officers on a case-by-case basis, providing them with participant updates as needed.
- Medical –N/A
- OCS (Office of Children’s Services) – OCS staff attempts to ask for a statement from JCAP as to whether or not the men are safe with their children, if JCAP feels the participant should be enrolled in parenting courses, etc. While staff are generally unable to provide answers to OCS, staff are able to make recommendations as appropriate. Staff continues to work and collaborate with OCS in regard to JCAP participants.
- DV Task Force –N/A
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) –N/A
- Behavioral Health/Substance Abuse – JCAP staff communicates with JAMHI and the mental health provider at LCCC to discuss any mental health concerns regarding participants at LCCC. If JCAP staff has any concerns regarding the mental health of a participant, they will have them complete a mental health assessment and collaborate with the mental health provider(s) to determine program eligibility.
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs –N/A

## IAC/LEAP– Prison Based Program –FAIRBANKS

### OVERVIEW

LEAP has continued to receive regular requests from inmates to enter into the program. LEAP has also continued to get referrals from in-house probation officers. The groups continue to be held in the Education Center and have room for a maximum of 12 inmates at a time.

In this quarter three people applied to program that were not let into group. Two were on Murder I charges and had not been sentenced yet. Due to the severity of the case, staff did not want to have them in group and be unable to talk about the violence they have used. The other had their co-defendant in group and they were unable to be in the same room together.

### SUCSESSES

LEAP's new intern from the University of New England is coming into the jail to learn how the program works in FCC. Eight inmates came and asked for extra help with homework so they could personalize the lesson to their particular issues. This shows that their insight is growing. Two men completed the program this quarter. Three intakes resulted in three victim packets forwarded to IAC.

### INTERACTIONS WITH ORGANIZATIONS

- Law Enforcement – Through the CCR and DVTF meetings and via the Community program LEAP has had communication with law enforcement that has been constructive; particularly with the troopers.
- Prosecutors – LEAP maintains regular contact with the DA by providing them with affidavits of non-compliance on a monthly basis, feedback and information when requested through DVTF and CCR meetings.
- Court System – LEAP participates in a weekly ongoing status hearing for offenders with the Judge. LEAP also provides information on client status upon request.
- Probation/Parole – LEAP has had a cooperative relationship with Probation for over 15 years.
- Medical OCS (Office of Children's Services) – LEAP has regular interaction with Forensic Nursing Services through the CCR meetings.
- DV Task Force – LEAP attends DVTF meetings when they are held.
- Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB) – No direct interaction
- Behavioral Health/Substance Abuse –N/A
- Other victim services or Batterer Intervention Programs – LEAP's Director has regular contact with programs throughout the country and state for referrals and transfers of offenders to programs.

<b>BIP - Community FY16 1st Quarter Statistics July 1- September 30, 2015</b>	<b>AFS Palmer</b>	<b>AWARE Juneau</b>	<b>IAC Fairbanks</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
How many new participants were court-ordered into the program?	1	2	30	33
How many written intake assessments were completed?	10	3	11	24
How many participants were accepted into the program?	10	0	6	16
How many new victim safety checks were completed? (spoke directly with the victim)	1	1	3	5
How many safety checks were completed? (includes new and continuing victims)	3	11	6	20
How many participants completed the program during this quarter?	8	2	2	12
How many participants were non-compliant during this quarter?	0	1	15	16
How many participants were re-arrested for domestic violence during this quarter (defined as police arrest and charge of domestic violence)?	1	2	0	3
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	3	6
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)	3	3	6	12
How many participants' partners (victims of the abuse) are receiving support services from a victim agency? (If the partner was counted as receiving services during the previous quarter do not count again)	0	2	6	8

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

### SUCSESSES

HOPE's Interim Executive Director completed the Understanding Domestic Violence Online Course and 40 hours of Advocate Shadowing to be able to provide Advocacy Services to program participants and completed CBIM Train the Trainer, Offender Focused DV Initiative, Distinguishing Between "The Duluth Model," CCR, and BIP webinars.

Receive a \$1,500 grant from Wells Fargo for Distinguished Men and Women in October 2015.

Awarded a \$10,000 grant from ACF Strengthening Organizations for HOPE's safe home network

Met with Executive Director of WISH to discuss partnering to provide shelter services to HOPE's program participants

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

HOPE had a booth at the POW Children's Health Fair and provided activities for the children. We were able to provide information to parents and children about bullying and domestic violence.

HOPE had a booth at Hydaburg Children's Culture Camp and with different activities for over 75 children per day and discussed domestic violence and anti-bullying with them.

HOPE met with Ketchikan Indian Community to discuss their Batterer's Intervention Program to determine the feasibility of starting one up on Prince of Wales.

HOPE had a booth at the By the Sea Arts and Seafood Festival in Coffman Cove and provided activities for over 25 children per day and discussed anti-bullying and domestic violence. HOPE provided information about date rape drugs and sexual assault to the bar in Coffman Cove.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

HOPE did not hire a victim advocate or a volunteer coordinator as we thought we would do in the first quarter of FY16. We did not receive quarter one FY16 funding until the first week of October. We just hired a new Executive Director and she will be hiring these positions within the next month.

## UTWC-Upper Tanana Wellness Court - TOK

### SUCSESSES

UTWC has more exposure in Tok and the outlying communities. More calls have been received for information and requests from villages and individuals for pamphlets and other materials provided by Interior Alaskans for Non-Violent Living Center (IAC).

UTWC's volunteer has been in contact with each village during this quarter.

UTWC continues to train more advocates.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

UTWC is working with the counseling center that has one of UTWC's trained advocates on staff that works with clients.

UTWC is working to get IAC back in Tok for training advocates.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

Due to the eventual grant end, UTWC is working to get as much done as possible during this year.

## WAVE –Working Against Violence for Everyone - PETERSBURG

### SUCSESSES

WAVE was able to maintain office hours and the Crisis line.

WAVE sent Mark Kubo to the tech abuse and safety training provided by ANDVSA.

### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

WAVE's Trauma Informed Care grant was renewed. Petersburg Mental Health Services will provide support to victims and help with training WAVE advocates.

### CHALLENGES/CONCERNS

The state financial situation along with later than expected payments for the first quarter made it very difficult to plan. WAVE received first quarter funding on October 14, 2015.

FY16 1st Quarter Outcome Measures July 1- September 30, 2015

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	612	295	200	223	173	193	195	174	170
Non-residential Support and Advocacy	1642	249	219	227	158	209	217	192	181
Counseling	258	38	31	36	26	29	31	22	17
Non-residential Support Groups	205	162	141	152	129	139	134	126	119
TOTAL	2291	617	466	511	364	454	451	403	378
(N/A) Not applicable	34	28	58	34	184	58	55	79	89
Neutral	0	0	77	54	52	74	74	96	112
% Positive Responses			83%	88%	84%	81%	80%	75%	72%