COVID-19 LAW ENFORCEMENT UPDATE

Data Time Frame: March 11-April 11, 2020
Survey Responses: 56 – 12% response rate
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Context
CDVSA surveyed 475 local, rural, and tribal law enforcement/government agencies asking specific questions into the increase, decrease, or no change regarding domestic violence and sexual assault related calls. This survey is a very brief and small look into their experiences.

Who responded to the survey?
21 Local Law Enforcement Agencies such as municipal and borough police.
17 Other Government Agencies such as small cities and villages.
17 Tribal Law Enforcement Agencies including Village Public Safety Officers and tribal police.
1 Alaska State Trooper response, capturing the multiple statewide detachments.

What regions, did they respond from?

- Anchorage, 2, 4%
- Northern, 5, 9%
- Southcentral, 10, 18%
- Southeast, 24, 44%
- Western, 24, 44%

Estimated changes in number of calls reported from 56 agencies during the period of March 11, 2020 through April 11, 2020

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<td>Sexual Assault Related Calls</td>
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<td>Protective Order Violations</td>
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What did some agencies have to say?

“We now have gone to using masks and gloves for ALL contacts and calls that we respond to.”

“Dispatch requesting more assessment questions prior to officer/EMS arrival (anyone sick in residence, fevers, coughs, etc…) upon arrival masks – 6’ distancing when necessary.”

“Increased use of the crisis response line, increased visibility via virtual meetings, high use of PPE, increased calls to the advocates.”