

United Way Domestic Violence Summit

Clackamas County Inventory Meeting – July 28, 2010

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Welcome

Sarah McDowell of United Way welcomed attendees and reviewed the purpose in holding these meetings. It has become clear that domestic violence homicides are a continuing problem. United Way wants to look at the existing regional response to domestic violence, the strengths of each county's system, the gaps that exist, and how the response might be improved. The focus of this project is limited to intimate partner violence, and the effect on those partners and their children. Facilitator Kamala Bremer then reviewed the model for structuring the discussion and the categories of response that we will be using (see handout "Shelves and Bins: Categories of DV Response – United Way DV Summit Project"), and started a process to answer the questions posed in the agenda.

I. Agencies and Linkages

The following agencies were identified as being central in this county to the delivery of services targeted for domestic violence victims/survivors, perpetrators/offenders, or children who have been affected by domestic violence. Networks identify key groups that coordinate among these service providers.

Agencies

- Abuse Recovery Ministry & Services (A.R.M.S.)
- Changepoint Batterers Intervention Program
- Choices DV Intervention Program
- Clackamas County Community Corrections
- Clackamas County District Attorney
- Clackamas County Family Court Services
- Clackamas County Sheriff's Office
- Clackamas Women's Services (CWS)
- Immigrant & Refugee Community Organization (IRCO, Multnomah based)
- Legal Aid Services of Oregon
- Los Niños Cuentan ("Children Count")
- Manley Interventions
- Men's Resource Center
- Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS)
- Police Departments: Gladstone, Lake Oswego, Oregon City, Sandy, West Linn and others
- Russian Oregon Social Services (ROSS)

Networks

- Clackamas Child Abuse Multi-Disciplinary Team
- Clackamas County Sheriff's Office, DV unit
- Domestic Violence Leadership Support Council
- Family Violence Coordinating Council
- Queer Caucus
- Quarterly Meeting between Courts, DA & Batters Intervention programs
- Tri County Batterers Intervention Providers
- Tri-County Volunteer Coordinator Mtg.
- Tri-County Shelter Managers Mtg.
- Tri-County Executive Directors Network
- Various Collaborative Grants

II. Services

The group identified services that are provided locally in each of the matrix sections. Primary providers are those with domestic violence-specific programs and serve as the major referral source for this need.

A. CRISIS RESPONSE	Primary Providers in Clackamas County	Secondary Services
Victim/ Survivor Support		
Crisis Response	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 911 ● Clackamas County Sheriff's Office ● District Attorney's Office – Victim Assistance ● Police Departments (8 cities, incl.: Gladstone, Lake Oswego, Oregon City, Sandy, West Linn) 	
Crisis Lines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Abuse Recovery Ministry & Services (A.R.M.S) ● Clackamas Women's Services (24/7) ● District Attorney's Office, Victim Assistance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Los Niños Cuenten (LNC), Spanish
Safety Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Clackamas Women's Services ● District Attorney's Office, Victim Assistance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Los Niños Cuenten
Safe Shelter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Clackamas Women's Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Los Niños Cuenten
Safe Transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Clackamas Women's Services 	
Emergency Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Clackamas Women's Services ● DHS, Child Welfare /Self Sufficiency ● District Attorney's Office, Victim Assistance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Los Niños Cuenten
Immediate Protection/Orders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Clackamas County Circuit Courts ● Clackamas Women's Services (CWS) ● District Attorney's Office, Victim Assistance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Clackamas Co. Sherriff ● Legal Aide, ass't w/ Restraining Orders
Perpetrator/Offender Accountability		
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● DHS, Child Welfare/Self Sufficiency 	
Children/Youth Services		
Emergency Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Clackamas County Juvenile Department ● Clackamas Women's Services (CWS) ● Department of Human Services, Child Welfare ● District Attorney's Office, Victim Assistance 	

B. INTERVENTION	Primary Providers in Clackamas County	Secondary Services
Victim/ Survivor Support		
Shelter & Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Clackamas Women's Services ● Los Niños Cuenten – Spanish language ● DHS Self Sufficiency grants – for individual Domestic Violence victims 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Clackamas Co. Social Services, Rent Well ● Inn at Springwater – youth, incl. DV survivors ● Jansen Transitional Program
Counseling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Clackamas Women's Services ● Los Niños Cuenten, Spanish 	

Advocacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abuse Recovery Ministry & Services (A.R.M.S) • Clackamas County Sherriff's Office , DV Unit • Clackamas Women's Services • District Attorney's Office, Victim Assistance • Los Niños Cuenten, Spanish 	
Support Groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abuse Recovery Ministry & Services (A.R.M.S) • Clackamas County Parole & Probation, Women's Empowerment Project • Clackamas Women's Services • Los Niño's Cuenten, Spanish 	
Protection/Orders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Attorney's Office, Victim Assistance • Clackamas County Circuit Courts • Clackamas Women's Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clackamas Co. Sherriff • Legal Aide • Los Niño's Cuenten
Legal Assistance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal Aid Services of Oregon 	
Prosecutor-based victim assistance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Attorney's Office, Victim's Assistance 	
Perpetrator/Offender Accountability		
Counseling: Individual and group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abuse Recovery Ministry & Services (A.R.M.S) • Manley Interventions – Spanish • Teras Interventions – including Spanish 	
Batterer's Intervention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abuse Recovery Ministry & Services (A.R.M.S) • Manley Interventions – Spanish, Alcohol & Drug • Teras Interventions – Christian men specific 	
Legal Assistance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal Aide • St. Andrews Legal Clinic 	
Prosecution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clackamas Co. District Attorney's Office 	
Criminal Justice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clackamas Co. Circuit Court, DV Diversion and Sentencing Program • Clackamas Community Corrections • District Attorney's Office 	
Couple/Family Support		
Counseling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clackamas Women's Services – children/adults • Los Niño's Cuenten – Spanish • Teras Interventions – A & D Counseling/Education 	
Children/Youth Services		
Services to Children	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clackamas County Juvenile Department • Clackamas Women's Services – Youth Program, School Program, Shelter Children's Program • DHS, Child Welfare Hot Line 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inn at Springwater – emergency housing & advocacy, incl. for youth DV survivors
Counseling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clackamas Co. Community Health – individual treatment for children in foster placement or with non-violent parent • Clackamas Women's Services 	

C. PREVENTION	Primary Providers in Clackamas County	Secondary Services
General Community		
Community Awareness and Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Abuse Recovery Ministry & Services (A.R.M.S.) – faith based Clackamas County, “Take a Stand against Domestic Violence” Campaign Clackamas Women’s Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> District Attorney’s Office Los Niños Cuenten – Spanish Teras Interventions
Employer Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clackamas Women’s Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teras Interventions – consult on A&D/DV
Health and Human Service Provider Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Abuse Recovery Ministry & Services (A.R.M.S.), Clackamas County Children, Youth & Families – Community for Victims Clackamas Women’s Services Teras Interventions – Training & Consulting 	
Targeted Groups		
Domestic Partner Abuse Prevention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clackamas County Parole & Probation Clackamas County Sheriff’s Office 	
Outreach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clackamas Women’s Services – rural Los Niño’s Cuenten – Spanish 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Abuse Recovery Ministry & Services DA’s Office
Targeted High Risk: Reduce Risk Factors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clackamas Community Corrections Clackamas County Sheriff’s Office Clackamas Women’s Services District Attorney’s Office 	
Children/Youth		
Ask about Violence in Early Childhood Intervention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clackamas County Juvenile Department Clackamas County Mental Health 	
School-Based Prevention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Abuse Recovery Ministry & Services (A.R.M.S) Clackamas County Juvenile Department Clackamas Women’s Services – high risk youth 	
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A.R.M.S – through churches Los Niño’s Cuenten – Spanish 	
Domestic Violence Policy and System Coordination		
Domestic Violence Issues & System Advocacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clackamas Co. Domestic Violence Coordinator Clackamas Women’s Services Legal Aid Services of Oregon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clackamas Co. Sheriff’s Office DA’s Office
System Coordination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clackamas County DV Coordinator Clackamas Women’s Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clackamas Co. Sheriff’s Office DA’s Office Legal Aid Services

III. Services used from other counties

- Advisory Boards interact
- Batterers intervention coordinates across counties
- Cross-county law enforcement – e.g. with the Portland Police Bureau
- District Attorney – to enforce restraining orders cross counties
- Legal assistance – other legal aid offices
- Offenders on probation, often cross between counties
- Shelters in Multnomah County, Washington County
- Specialized support group providers in Multnomah County
- Spanish-speaking support groups (e.g. UNICA)
- Support groups – refer to group close to where the person lives

IV. Assessment of System Capacity

Clackamas County participants noted that most services necessary for addressing domestic violence exist in the community. They often refer to shelter services elsewhere in the metro area, and sometimes to specialized programs. However, the primary gap is the lack of adequate funding and thus lack of capacity to meet current needs.

Specific gaps in the current system were then identified and prioritized. The number of votes for each is in parentheses. Higher priority items have been moved to the top of the list.

Gaps in Service

- Mental Health Counseling for Survivors, adults, children victims (6)
- Additional crisis shelters / beds and services, hotel vouchering (5)
- Better place and process for restraining orders (5)
- Better training for law enforcement specifically on Domestic Violence (5)
- Resources for Men, as victims (4)
- Treatment and Accountability for Offenders (4)
- Education and training in school districts – high school students, middle school, and all of K to 12 (4)
- Public Awareness of Services Available (3)
- Funding for culturally specific services – especially Spanish (3)
- Domestic Fatality Review Committee (2)
- Supervised parenting for Domestic Violence perpetrators (2)
- Emergency and crisis services – specifically financial (2)
- Access to legal advice (1)
- Developing a differential approach – research how to do this (1)
- Gay/Lesbian services, specialized populations (0)
- Specialized counseling for female veterans (0)
- Better coordinated system at all levels (0)

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