

Attachment Three (3)

Nevada Arrest and Protection Advocacy Project (NAPA) Work Plan

Nevada Council for Prevention of Domestic Violence

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Objective II: Identify legislative and policy barriers to arrest and prosecute domestic violence cases.

Beginning in month three, NNADV will invite project partners, stakeholders, and other representatives from the Office of the Attorney General, law enforcement, prosecutors, judges and court staff to establish and convene a statewide work group. We will hold six meetings of the group during years one and two to identify existing barriers and develop recommendations for improvement.

Proposal to Implement Objective II of NAPA

1. A partnership between the Nevada Network Against Domestic Violence (NNADV), the Office of the Attorney General and the Nevada Council for the Prevention of Domestic Violence (NCPDV) is the ideal stakeholder group to implement NAPA. Knowing that there is a limited amount of individuals in Nevada to engage in this work, utilizing NNADV, AGO and the NCPDV is the most efficient option that will engage the necessary individuals.
2. A key component to this project is hearing from the community on the issues domestic violence survivors, advocates, prosecutors and law enforcement officers are facing. While partnership members have a wealth of knowledge about issues regarding arrests and prosecution of domestic violence crimes, it is essential that this stakeholder group adequately understand the needs and challenges in the larger community. To achieve this, NNADV recommends that the Office of the Attorney General and NNADV partner to co-sponsor listening sessions throughout the state to gather feedback from community members. Following these listening sessions, a workgroup of six-twelve partnership members will convene six meetings to review the materials.
 - a. NNADV will organize the logistics of the listening sessions including finding locations, inviting members of the public, facilitating, recording and transcribing the meetings. The meetings will occur in public places such as libraries or community centers. Members of the partnership will assist with encouraging attendance by their colleagues to the listening sessions but will not attend the sessions. It is best that they remain objective until a later time when the information is reviewed.
 - b. Six members of the NCPDV from a range of disciplines will be asked to form a workgroup with two representatives of the AGO, two representatives from NNADV and one each from the two funded programs in the project to review the feedback gathered from the listening sessions.
 - c. The six proposed locations for the listening sessions are: Henderson, North Las Vegas, Las Vegas, Pahrump, Reno/Spark and Elko.
 - d. Depending on the needs and presence in the community, up to five listening sessions will be held for various stakeholder groups in each community. This will include law enforcement, prosecutors, program advocates, system advocates and survivors. In some communities, a survey or phone call may be more appropriate for one or more of these groups. Planning for this will be based on speaking with people in the communities to assess what format will best serve them and harness the most information.
 - e. Listening session participants will be invited to submit written comments in addition to what they choose to share in conversation.
 - f. It is the hope that through the listening sessions, trends will emerge about challenges

that communities are facing. These trends can help influence the work of the stakeholder group when convening their six meetings and implementing Objective Three of NAPA.

- g. The next NCPDV meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2016. NNADV would like to share this plan with the Council at that time.
- h. A tentative proposed timeline for the listening sessions is below.
 - i. June, 2016: Las Vegas
 - ii. June, 2016: Henderson
 - iii. July, 2016: Reno/Sparks
 - iv. July, 2016: Elko
 - v. August, 2016: North Las Vegas
 - vi. August, 2016: Pahrump
- i. Following the convening of listening sessions, NNADV will create a report including all written and recorded testimony. The six meetings with the partnership workgroup will begin to discuss the themes of this report. The first three meetings will involve an in depth review of the feedback from the listening sessions in each area and the last three will focus on synthesizing the feedback into a best practices report. Based on funding, these meetings may be a mix of virtual and in person meetings. The tentative meeting dates for these convening's are:
 - i. September, 2016: Southern Nevada
 - ii. October, 2016: Northern Nevada
 - iii. January, 2017: Southern Nevada
 - iv. June, 2017: Northern Nevada
 - v. October, 2017: Southern Nevada
 - vi. January, 2018: Northern Nevada

Objective III: Develop best practice recommendations for arrest and prosecution of domestic violence cases.

During year three, NNADV will take the work group recommendations and develop a report on best practices to be implemented statewide. We will submit the report to relevant stakeholders, to include OVW and the AG's office. NNADV will then convene a statewide Summit to discuss next steps and plans to address barriers and implement best practices.

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1. With the help of NNADV, the Battered Women's Justice Project (grant technical assistance provider) and others identified during the first two years, the workgroup will finalize a report that includes all recommended best practices. We will research efforts nationwide as well as efforts currently underway in Nevada.
2. The best practices report will be presented at a statewide Summit that will include the full NCPDV, interested participants from the listening sessions and any non-NCPDV member stakeholders that the workgroup feels should participate.
3. The goal of the Summit will be to discuss next steps on how all stakeholders can begin implementing best practices and a realistic timeline for doing so.