

**DV CCRT - Domestic Violence Community Coordinated Response Team**  
**September 22, 2005 Meeting**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**Updates/Announcements**

- a. Lundy Bancroft workshop – September 26 (Noon to 4pm workshop, 5:30-6:30 book signing) and September 27 (9am to 1pm). To register email [sefink@rhoadesmckee.com](mailto:sefink@rhoadesmckee.com) – Only 10 more openings available!
- b. Oct. 17 and 18<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Michigan Statewide Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect. Ypsilanti, MI – Contact 734-487-2000
- c. November 8 and 9<sup>th</sup> – Making a Difference: Investigating and Prosecuting Non-Stranger Sexual Assault. Contact for registration – 632-7123
- d. 10<sup>th</sup> Annual BISC-MI conference is November 2-4<sup>th</sup> - [www.biscmi.org](http://www.biscmi.org)
- e. “Broken Vows. Battered Faith” featuring Rev. Dr. Marie Fortune and hosted by Safe Haven Ministries on October 31 at the Prince Conference Center.
- f. Domestic Violence Orientation hosted by Safe Haven Ministries on November 15 from 6-9 pm at 3501 Lake Eastbrook SE Suite 335. Call 452-6664 to RSVP.
- g. The CCRT will have the Spanish Version of the Healing Path available at the next meeting. Thank you to the YWCA for securing funding for this so that the CCRT could use their funds to purchase more English HP versions. Copies will be available directly at the Hispanic Center. We need to get the PDF file as soon as possible to be placed on our website.
- h. YWCA Day of Nurturing - October 19, 2005. Please contact Eileen McKeever at 451-2744 to RSVP for dinner afterward. Also, another grant was given from the United Way for a second round of Spanish tutoring. Please email [chardin@gr-ywca.org](mailto:chardin@gr-ywca.org) to register for these classes. There will be training in October for a new program similar to the nurse examiner program for domestic violence. The Vision to End Homelessness – report almost ready to be viewed. Lastly, the YWCA will have four new apartments available by the beginning of the year for older adults and immigrants.
- i. Next year for DV Awareness Month the CCRT will try to form a subcommittee to help plan activities, vigils, displays to honor domestic violence survivors & their families in collaboration with Safe Haven, YWCA and all agencies who are members of this group.
- j. GVSU Women's Center – Clothesline Project & T-shirt Making Workshops, October 3 – 7 @ Kirkhof Center Lobby. Take Back the Night @ 8 PM, Grand River Room, Kirkhof Center. White Ribbon Campaign, October 17 @ 8AM Kirkhof Center. Please contact the Women's Center for more information.
- k. Take Back the Night & White Ribbon Campaign will be October 3, 2005. Please contact the Women's Center for more information.
- l. St. Joseph (the worker) Church/Convent, 334 Rumsey St SW with Annita List have support groups for Latino Women & a home for these women. These groups are held on Monday (7-8:30 PM) and Saturday (9-10:30 AM). Please contact Annita List at 451-1965, or Teresa Cruz-Vega at 456-7982 or 538-1740 for further information. They will send notice of their open house once a date is scheduled, and brochures should be available at our next CCRT meeting. The Hispanic Center does make referrals through Deisey at 742-0223.
- m. Safe Haven Project – Judge Zemaitis presented a general overview of this project that will provide safe exchange and supervised visitation for victims of DV. They are in the process of writing the grant (\$350,000 federal grant that will fund for 2 years).
- n. PACC/PAAM DV Grad School – Prosecutors & law enforcement for November 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>. Jim Benison indicated this training will be in Grand Rapids, and a good training to attend.
- o. Update on PPO Process – Ruth Schoff of SHM followed up with Circuit Court Administrator Jack Roedema and indicated he was concerned with the feedback at the last meeting. A BIG THANK YOU to Jack Roedema for looking into the turn around time it takes victims to get a PPO. Our group truly appreciates your steadfast support and insight on this process. If anyone is working with a victim/survivor and the process is slow, please contact Jack Roedema. His email is: [Jack.Roedema@kentcounty.org](mailto:Jack.Roedema@kentcounty.org).

- p. Dates for upcoming CCRT meetings for the remainder of the year 2005: October 27<sup>th</sup>, November 13<sup>th</sup> (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Multi-Purpose Room), December 15<sup>th</sup>.
- q. January 2006 CCRT Meeting will encompass planning for projects for the upcoming year. Please try to attend!

### **ADT AWARE Program**

- a. Feedback from Press conference this morning. Area police agencies were very positive and on board with this program! Media coverage included WOOD TV8, FOX 17, WZZM channel 13, GR Press and the Advance.
- b. Grandville Police Chief, Vern Snyder, indicated victims should still call 911 along with the call to ADT.
- c. ADT Training at the CFRC – early October.
- d. Thank you Jack Stewart for getting us on the Chief's agenda at their meeting!
- e. Subcommittee will meet in a few months to review process and see how things are going.
- f. Possibly do another press release in a few months and follow up with the community about how the program is going.

### **Website**

- a. Feedback – updates and information to Cavan –how is that going?
- b. It is difficult to find the HP on the website. Is there an easier way to find it?
- c. Again – we need to get the PDF file of the Spanish version of the Healing Path as soon as possible for the website.

### **Treasurer's Report**

- a. Balance as of 8/30/05 - \$3,065.30 (\$2,500 has been spent on The Healing Path and \$1,000 has been received by Ken Saukas to go toward The Healing Path in September). Thank you again Ken!!!
- b. New bill for renewal of the domain name & web space.

### **Healing Path**

- a. Jennifer Marcum – copies given to law enforcement agencies & CCRT members.
- b. Copies are housed and can be picked up directly at Safe Haven Ministries. Please contact Jennifer Marcum if your agency still needs copies.

### **Investigation & Prosecution in DV Cases with Herb Tanner**

- a. December 19, 8-5pm – KCSD
- b. This training will be for police officers in Kent County – 50 available spots.
- c. The training will be open after all police agencies responses are received.
- d. Thank you Jim Benison for all your work on this! We appreciate it very much!

### **CCRT Roles/Goals in community coordination**

- a. Will gather standards and best practices to share with the team. How can we improve domestic violence services in our community?
- b. What other CCRT's are doing – gathering information and providing feedback on domestic violence services. Focused on improving coordination, communication and ensuring practices fall within standards/guidelines/best practices.
- c. BISCMI standards are very important and our group should educate its members & agencies.
- d. Possibly set a subcommittee for Emergency Shelter Standards – when advocates respond to crisis calls are agencies referring to one another when shelter is full as common practice?
- e. How does the CCRT decide which agency is endorsed and included in the Healing Path?
- f. Example: Interview of Family Court Judges by the CCRT (as done in the past).
- g. Court Watch Group
- h. We need more prevention curriculum for middle school and high school children about domestic violence! Creating programs for schools in Kent County