

**DV CCRT - Domestic Violence Community Coordinated Response Team  
February 28, 2008**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Updates/Announcements**

- a. Safe Connections Advisory Meeting and Safety Audit – March 17<sup>th</sup> from 8:30am to Noon at the YWCA.
- b. YWCA Circle of Women – March 12<sup>th</sup> at Noon at the Amway. Call Kelly Langan 616-459-7062, ext. 127 or Megan Bennett 616.459.7062, ext. 532 for more information.
- c. Safe Haven Ministries – DV Orientation: March 18<sup>th</sup> from 6-9pm and April 1<sup>st</sup> from 6-9. Volunteer Training on March 25<sup>th</sup> from 6-9. Call SH at 452-6664 to sign up. There is no cost to these trainings
- d. March 2008: Volunteer Training -- YWCA Sexual Assault Victim Advocates. Volunteer Victim Advocates provide support to victims of sexual assault and/or their family members through the YWCA's 24-hour crisis telephone line, outreach to hospital emergency departments, or the YWCA Nurse Examiner program. A 30-hour specialized training is provided. For more information contact: Heather French 616.459.7062, ext. 160
- e. **Big Game Event** – Amy Piddington (Health Department & Sexual Assault Prevention Action Team Chair) partnered with the CCRT to co-sponsor the first Superbowl Sunday Fundraiser for prevention and awareness to help raise money for Safe Haven Ministries and YWCA. Amy provided feedback on the event – the event took place in three locations. Feedback was positive, information was good and helpful – some ideas for next year is to provide training to staff who are working in the restaurants/bars and to do it on an evening that is not Superbowl Sunday.
- f. **FBI Citizens Academy** – a 6 week program, one night a week this spring and summer.
- g. YWCA shared information on the ACLU's women's rights anti-discrimination laws and on the National DV survey through the NNEDV. Further information can be found at [www.nnedv.org](http://www.nnedv.org)
- h. May 21<sup>st</sup> from 8:30 to 4:00: the Sexual Assault Prevention Action Team is bringing in Dr. Lysick who will be facilitating a training on "The Unreported Rapist".
- i. ADT AWARE Program Meeting: March 10<sup>th</sup> at 3pm at the YWCA

**Financial Report**

- a. Rosalynn contact Nokomis foundation and received approval to use remaining balance to print additional copies of the Healing Path.

**Healing Path:**

- a. Kylene shared feedback from the HP sub-committee meeting.
- b. Discussed changing the logo on the front – decided to keep the logo as it is consistent with all of the other CCRT materials
- c. Discussed possibly changing the color of the cover and making it a lighter purple
- d. Discussed the use of the Cycle of Violence in the booklet. Some organizations have stopped using it to avoid placing blame on victims. Others continue to use it and see it as a valuable visual and

educational tool. Discussed exploring other alternatives/words to use. Sub-committee will be obtaining feedback from victims and will ask about this specifically.

- e. Kylene distributed forms for agencies to fill out to make sure that their contact information was updated and accurate. Please return these to Kylene at: [kdaltonkoons@safehavenministries.org](mailto:kdaltonkoons@safehavenministries.org)
- f. Time line for updating and printing the HP is 3-4 months
- g. Please visit the CCRT website and review the HP, which is available in a PDF form. [www.kentcountydvcrt.net](http://www.kentcountydvcrt.net)
- h. Next meeting is scheduled for March 19<sup>th</sup> at Noon at the Courthouse

### **2008 CCRT Priorities:**

Discussed the priorities listed below. Several of the topics listed below can be incorporated into a brown bag luncheon training series. Discussed partnering with Weed and Seed to sponsor a conference in the fall. Rosalynn and Ashley will meet with Kristine to discuss this further. Interest was expressed to further explore the creation of a DV Fatality Review Board and DV Court. Will discuss topics for brown bag luncheons and possible speakers at the next CCRT meeting. A schedule will then be created and the information will be provided to CCRT members and agencies.

- a. DV Education, possibly in the form of brown bag lunches that focus on various topics such as new DV tools and assessments, prevention, legal issues, etc. These could occur periodically during CCRT meetings (1 hour presentations followed by a 30 minute meeting). – 16 votes
- b. CCRT Conference – 8 votes
- c. Men's initiatives/awareness – 7 votes
- d. Explore possibility of a DV Court: benchmarks, model programs, training for attorneys, dynamics of DV – 6 votes
- e. DV Fatality Review Board – 5 votes
- f. School – education about DV issues, groups for children, resources for children – 5 votes
- g. Sentencing guidelines/legal issues – 4 votes
- h. DV Prevention – 4 votes
- i. Law enforcement training and support – 2 votes

### **Funding**

- a. Rosalynn will meet with Ashley to explore funding options

### **2008 Meeting Schedule**

- a. Every 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month at noon at the Courthouse

**Next Meeting – March 27th at Noon at the Courthouse  
5<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room**