



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNCIL

September 18, 2023
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
MEETING MINUTES

Chair: Supervisor Noelia Corzo
 Vice-Chair: Elisa Kuhl
 Staff: Tanya Beat, staff liaison
 Jacki Rigoni, Legislative Aide, Supervisor Corzo’s Office
 Caiti Busch, Deputy County Attorney, County Attorney’s Office

DVC Present: Supervisor Noelia Corzo, Elisa Kuhl, Ruben Abrica, Kathy Anderson, Stephanie Bilinski, Noelle Bruton, Sheriff Christina Corpus, Theresa Dah, Adam Ely, Rozeena Jhinu, Rose Mukhar, Judge Elizabeth Lee, Nicole Reyes, Police Chief Maria Sarasua, Bob Spencer

No Vote Alternates: Celeste Mercado (CORA), Jess Hudson (CSW), Curtis Ota (Sitike Counseling Center)

Absent: Mike Callagy, Karen Ferguson, Selina Toy-Lee, Robert Foucrault, Sean Frost, Lisa Novak, Lori Smiley-Klingler

Invited Guests & Members of the Public: Jacki Rigoni, Caiti Busch, Tanya Beat, John Nibbelin, Cynthia Hunter, Unique Williams, Elizabeth Vasquez, Geri Archibald, Jeffrey Carr, Charles Cavallino, Kismet Baldwin-Santana, Ametrius Sidney, Natasha Claire-Espino, Tanya Both, Victor Aenlle, Lena Silberman, Davina Hurt, Amourence Lee, Tracy Avelar, Sean Gallagher, Steve Wagstaff

Call to Order	<i>Action</i>	Supervisor Corzo
1. Roll Call		Tanya Beat
2. Opportunity for Public Comment		Elisa Kuhl – no comment
3. Action to Set Agenda	<i>Action</i>	Ruben Abrica motions to approve agenda. Seconded by Adam Ely. Approved.
4. Presentation and Discussion on Intimate Partner Violence in San Mateo County <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome & Purpose for Meeting • Lived Experience Speakers • Navigating the System • Turn and Talk 	<i>Presentation and Discussion</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervisor Corzo provides context with recent dv incidences. • Invited guests Unique Williams and Elizabeth Vasquez share their stories • Supervisor Corzo shares trying to help a resident find how to attain a restraining order • Turn and Talk to learn where the gaps are and share perspectives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Share out of observations, suggestions for changes and recommendations for updating information and processes. Jacki Rigoni collected feedback; will pull all together to share at the next DVC meeting in October.
5. Creation of Task Force	<i>Action</i>	<u>How do we move forward?</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervisor Corzo recommends the creation of an Ad-hoc Task Force that would investigate the

		<p>outstanding gaps for intake and entry into our system for people experience intimate partner violence.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County Attorney Caiti Busch recommends a group of no more than 8 members of the Domestic Violence Council (to be mindful of the Brown Act and not reach quorum); however their meetings can involve members of the public, invited guests and other members of the DVC (as long as quorum is NOT reached; quorum is 13 members). • Recommendation to include dv survivors in task force meetings. • Suggested offices include: Board of Supervisors (Supervisor Corzo), County Executive Office (Adam Ely), Sheriff’s Office (Christina Corpus), District Attorney’s Office (Elisa Kuhl), Superior Court, SMC Medical Center, SMC Office of Education, Karen Ferguson (CORA), and Nicole Reyes (Bay Area Legal Aid) • Motion by Adam Ely to create a task force to investigate the gaps & improvements with domestic violence services in San Mateo County; and this ad-hoc group will include the 8 mentioned representatives. Seconded by Sheriff Christina Corpus. Approved.
Adjournment		Supervisor Corzo

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