# Domestic Violence Awareness Committee San Mateo County Domestic Violence Council March 11, 2022 10:30 a.m. -- 11:30 a.m. Zoom Meeting Minutes

Attending: Lori Smiley-Klingler (Probation), Tami Assadurian (Probation), David Norris (Menlo Park Police Department-Police Chief), Mary McGrath (San Mateo County Office of Education), Kathryn Anderson(DA Office); Mariluisa Diaz (CORA)

- No public comments.
- Program Updates

<>CORA-Mariluisa

Teen dating violence event at Juvenile Hall went very well

<> Probation Lori

Tabling events at the schools didn't happen because of scheduling at the schools. The schools are definitely interested in having them in the future. She will reach out to RTS for pamphlets and resources for future tabling events.

• Speaker Series Events in Schools-Mary is able to spearhead series.

Objective: To reach a wider audience in schools and conduct a series around healthy relationship. DAVAC will coordinate small events focusing on the topic of healthy relationships to reach a target audience/age group/parent group while keeping in mind intersectionality. Mental health staff/therapists will be at all events to ensure support for participants.

### <>Topics:

- -Mary: Camp leads scenario: They do an activity on the last night where they separate by gender and ask them to fill out a survey with 25 questions. "have you experienced Y Z". While in a circle, they go through each question and see how many people answered the question. If the answer 35, then 35 people in the circle stand up. It doesn't single anyone out, but it's a visual to see just how many people have experienced that event. It's a way to visualize how many people had that experience. Participants are surprised just how many have had the same experience. Very powerful and emotional activity that opens their eyes on healthy relationships.
- -Dave-Digital safety. Healthy relationships-modeling healthy relationships, who are your role models and where did you learn what a healthy relationship looks like, "Crime Junkie" podcast. Media depiction of (un)healthy relationships.
- -Mary is bringing in Ashante Branch to discuss documentary "The Mask You Live In", which is about toxic masculinity and how that impacts females. We may be able to piggyback on that event.

- -Lori-Teen panel of kids that are willing to tell their story.
- -Kathryn-Youth group from Cappuccino high school are putting on a training around Sexual Assault and unhealthy teen dating. Kathryn will send their contact information to Lori and the power point she received at the training. She also recommended Keller Center forensic interviewer-Mariam Wolf who is part of a team with Jeremy Lara(CPS) and Lori Thomas(CPS) to speak about healthy relationships and sexual assault.
- -Mariluisa-Priyanka worked with Saba Bokharey <u>sbokharey@smcgov.org</u> who is the program coordinator for San Mateo County Youth Commission. She will be working with RTS for Sexual Assault Awareness month.
- **Homework**: Brainstorm for speaker series. Email Mary the suggestions for speakers, any ideas to bring forward for teen violence/ healthy relationship series.

#### • Contest:

- **Concept**: to have a DV awareness poster "contest". Students will design and create posters to illustrate DV prevention ideas or healthy relationships.
- If we do this next school year, Mary can connect us with the visual performing arts person. She will invite her to our next meeting.
- Mariluisa: CORA is working with the SO on a t-shirt project. She will refer Priyanka to Lori regarding their event.
- <>Concept: essay contest in the schools

#### • DV council website:

- Lori and Tanya are working on getting it more user friendly.
- Mariluisa-Not for the website but inviting attendees to March 24, 2022 12:00pm-1:00pm. Cora community collaboration event.

## Adjourn and Next Meeting

Next meeting May 13, 2022 at 10:30 a.m.-Nicole Host