

**Contra Costa County Advisory Council on Aging
Elder Abuse Prevention Workgroup Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 23, 2021**

Present: Terri Tobey, Gerald Richards, Nuru Neemuchwalla, Jim Donnelly, Summer Selleck, Frank Napoli, Jill Kleiner, Greg Wanket

Guests: Oravanh Thamassen, Director of Family Justice Center, Dan Sharoni (public)

Staff: Anthony Macias, Margueriette Walker, Tracy Murray, Director Aging and Adult Services

Announcements –

Tracy Murray- published announcement for AAA Manager position, March 1st; interviews to begin in May.

Terri- WG is right on track with speakers for upcoming meetings.

Approval of Agenda/Minutes

- Approve Today's Agenda – Gerald moved to approve agenda, Summer motioned second, unanimously approved.
- Approval of January 2021 Minutes – Gerald moved to approve with typo correction, Frank motioned second

Presentation: Oravanh Thamassen, Director of Family Justice Center, Richmond

- What is interpersonal violence (IPV)? Domestic Violence; Rape/sexual assault; child abuse; elder abuse; human trafficking; stalking
- 26% of women and 15% of men experience intimate partner violence before age 18.
- Why a Family Justice Center? A Fractured System of services and agencies.
- Family Justice Center (FJC) offers holistic approach of all services to victim in one place.
- FJC has 17 staff and works with 10 law enforcement agencies, 8 city/county agencies, 8 attorneys and 41 community base organizations.
- Crisis Support Navigators are single point of contact for support and resources available.
- FJC is part of the Elder Abuse Prevention Project (EAPP)
- In 2020 served 4,444 individuals, which was a 13% increase from previous year.
- Offer community programs: C.O.P.E. family support center; yoga classes; Success Academy for school aged children coping with trauma.

Discussion of partnership with APS in making CCC community presentations

- Margueriette has been working on with Tracy on the presentation Power Point.
- Discuss which county populations that will be shown presentation.
- Some members of the WG could team up with APS staff to Zoom or live in person presentations.
- APS has begun mandated reporter trainings.
- Presentation scheduled with Senior Peer Counseling on April 26, 2021

- Create a tentative schedule and send out to member to see who is available to present, following protocols.
- Jim: make sure we have someone who can answer the majority of questions asked from audience.
- Margueriette to present final version of the presentation at March WG meeting.
- Timeline? Outreach to groups that would like a presentation; have an APS staff member at each presentation; slow roll out is preferred; completely transparent about staff APS is on extended leave; capacity is limited as how many to start with.
- Hold off on recording presentation for YouTube until more staffing as well as need to discuss with EHSD media relations.

Set Topic for next meeting, March 23, 2021: Gretchen Ellis from STAND! Specifically discussing Domestic and family violence

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: 11:00am