

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Deschutes County is the lead applicant for the Improving Criminal Justice Responses to Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking Grant Program. Deschutes County, as represented by the Deschutes County District Attorney's Office (DA's Office) and the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office (DCSO), enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Saving Grace – Imagine Life Without Violence (herein referred to as "Saving Grace"), City of Bend Police Department (BPD), City of Redmond Police Department (RPD), Black Butte Police Department (BBPD), Sunriver Police Department (SRPD), Deschutes County Parole and Probation, and the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Deschutes (Circuit Court).

History of Relationship

In 1995, representatives from the Deschutes County Sheriff's and District Attorney's Offices and Parole and Probation, Mental Health, and Administrative Services Departments; the Oregon Department of Human Services; City of Bend Police Department; Victims' Assistance Office; and Saving Grace established a Domestic Violence Council (herein referred to as "Council") and devoted efforts and resources to developing and implementing awareness/prevention campaigns. In early 2003, Council members from these same organizations with the addition of the Circuit Court submitted and received an award for a collaborative grant application for a Safe Havens Planning Grant.

The Council, which includes representation from all of the organizations that have signed this MOU, continues to meet every other month, with subcommittees when active meeting on alternating months and the participating organizations support the following goals: 1) to provide safety for victims of domestic violence, child abuse, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking;

2) to promote coordinated interagency and community responses which are victim-focused; 3) to increase training among collaborative partners to ensure safety of all victims; and 4) to promote interagency communication and relationships.

In addition to making preparations to open a visitation and exchange center, another priority during was to develop a shared awareness and understanding among the community partners represented on the Council of the unique circumstances surrounding supervised visitation in cases of domestic violence. During the planning for the grant period and subsequent three implementation grant cycles, representatives and staff from each of the entities have participated in various domestic violence training events provided through the Safe Havens Grants. In July 2004, Council members attended video conferences with Lundy Bancroft, Oliver Williams, and Betsy McAllister Groves. In October 2004, Council members and their staff attended a local two-day workshop co-sponsored by Saving Grace and the planning grant entitled *The Intersection Between Supervised Visitation and Batterer Intervention* with Dr. Scott Hampton. DHS provided a free site for this training and utilized it to train child protective workers. Through the local Trial Court Administrator's efforts, Dr. Hampton also led a private training with the seven Deschutes County Judges on the dynamics of domestic violence and considerations for supervised visitation and exchange.

In January 2005, the Parole and Probation Department created the Domestic Violence Supervision and Treatment Team (herein referred to as "Supervision Team") comprised of specialized parole and probation officers, batterer intervention program providers, victim advocates, polygraph examiners, child welfare officials, court administration staff, and a deputy district attorney. Simultaneously, the Probation Department wrote and adopted protocols for the treatment and supervision of domestic violence offenders, requiring treatment providers and

parole and probation officers to collaborate with victim advocates when developing standards affecting the treatment and supervision of offenders. Polygraph examinations became a required component of offender supervision and treatment as a means to reduce offender non-compliance and increase victim safety. The Probation Department sought approval from the Circuit Court to assume responsibility for approving Batterer Intervention Programs (BIPs) in order to provide some assurance that program providers were using evidenced-based practices and complying with Oregon Administrative Rules. The request was granted, and a Probation Department Supervisor/Council member became the approval authority for the offender treatment programs. The Supervision Team has continued to meet on a regular basis, creating strong alliances among all the members and improving offender accountability and specialized services. Many of the Supervision Team members are also participating Council members.

In July 2005, all the existing and proposed BIP providers, along with staff from Parole and Probation, the District Attorney's Victim's Assistance Office, and Saving Grace attended a local three-day workshop *Creating a Process of Change for Men Who Batter* by Scott Miller from DAIP. Mr. Miller also provided a short training for prosecutors and defense attorneys on the benefits of BIP Standards and the criminal justice system response of holding batterers accountable. This training was repeated for new Council community partners again in October 2007.

In September 2005, members of local law enforcement from the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office and Bend Police Department participated in a local one-day training, *Domestic Violence: The Law Enforcement Response*, presented by Supervising Deputy Sheriff Marcus Bruning from DAIP. The Deschutes County Sheriff provided a free site for this training and staff resources to assist with event management.

In October 2005, the Council attended a video conference with Dr. Ellen Pence titled *Context is Everything*. The conference was hosted by the State of Oregon, Division of Child Support Enforcement, who provided the free site, use of equipment and staff resources.

With the help of the first Safe Havens implementation grant, Saving Grace opened a new supervised visitation and exchange center, known as Mary's Place, in January 2006. With the assistance of the Council, additional funding sources for the visitation center were explored, including a Parental Access to Visitation grant which was subsequently received in 2007.

In September 2006, the Domestic Violence Supervision and Treatment Team became responsible for evaluating batterer intervention providers to ensure compliance with the Oregon Administrative Rules. This responsibility was reassigned to the Domestic Violence Council in early 2008. Also in September 2006, Safe Haven funds were used to bring Dr. Scott Hampton and Judge Maureen McKnight to Bend to provide training to the Council on *Best Practices: Domestic Violence Coordinating Councils*. Dr. Hampton also met separately with four of the County's seven judges to discuss various system issues including batterer intervention, considerations for victims, and supervised visitation.

In May 2007, a Circuit Court Judge who presides over most of the family court cases attended the training sponsored by Muskie School, *Examining Best Practices in Advocacy and Judicial Deliberations in Child Custody Cases*. The judge reported back to the Council and provided materials to the County Custody Evaluations Program for low-income divorcing parents.

In June 2007, a collaborative STOP VAWA grant application was submitted and received by Saving Grace to support a Spanish bi-lingual and bi-cultural advocate located at the courthouse. This advocate assists victims who are seeking restraining orders and provides safety

planning and resource referrals. An informational video, available in both Spanish and English, explaining how to obtain a restraining order was also created. This grant partners, including the Circuit Court, Victims' Assistance and Saving Grace all participated in developing this innovative response to victims' needs.

In July 2007 and December 2007, two live video conferences *Behind Closed Doors* and *Victims at the Center* were sponsored with Safe Havens grant funds. These trainings were attended by a wide variety of community partners, including parole and probation officers, BIP providers, victim advocates, public health nurses, mental health providers, and attorneys. Also in July, five members of the Domestic Violence Supervision and Treatment Team attended a two-day training on the *Emerge Model of Batterer Intervention*.

In September 2007, the Presiding Judge of the Deschutes County Circuit Court attended the National Council's institute on *Enhancing Judicial Skills in Domestic Violence Cases*. The Judge reported back to the Council, emphasizing the value of what he had learned and how the concepts could apply in Deschutes County. Deschutes County has experienced an improved response to victims of domestic violence from all of its Judges as a result of the training.

During the fall and winter of 2007, the Domestic Violence Supervision and Treatment Team held discussions to address concerns about no-contact orders in criminal domestic violence cases and their impact on victims. As a result of this dialogue, protocols used by the Court and Parole and Probation were revised to provide more flexibility and responsiveness to individual victim needs.

In March 2008, four Council members attended a two-day training, *Fathering After Violence*, sponsored by the National Institute on Fatherhood, Visitation and Domestic Violence for Safe Havens Grantees.

In early 2008, the Council formed the Coordinated Community Response (CCR) subcommittee to further evaluate and provide recommendations regarding the community's coordinated response to domestic violence. This subcommittee consisted of Captains from the Deschutes County Sheriff's Department, the City of Bend Police Department, and the City of Redmond Police Department; a Supervisor from the Deschutes County Parole and Probation Department; the Assistant Executive Director of Saving Grace; and the Community Project Coordinator from the Deschutes County Children & Families Commission. The CCR subcommittee recommended improving risk assessment and response to victims, while also addressing the need for intensive supervision and monitoring of high-risk offenders. In the fall of 2009, the CCR subcommittee learned about the Lethality Assessment Program (LAP), a program of the Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence based on Dr. Jacquelyn Campbell's Danger Assessment. A phone conference was held with David Sargent, Consultant and Lethality Assessment Coordinator for the Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence, Deschutes County local law enforcement agencies, Parole and Probation Department, and Saving Grace. The CCR subcommittee agreed to move forward with seeking resources to implement the LAP as well as hiring an Intensive Supervision Parole and Probation Officer (ISPPO) who would work closely with an advocate from Saving Grace to provide intensive supervision to offenders and ongoing risk assessment to victims of those offenders.

In October 2009, training by the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges was sponsored by Safe Havens training funds in Deschutes County. The training, *Accounting for Domestic Violence in Child Custody Cases*, was attended by law enforcement, judges, local attorneys, child custody evaluators, parole and probation officers, therapists, as well as Mary's Place and other Saving Grace staff.

In December of 2009, seven representatives from the Council attended a two-day training, *Community Corrections' Response to Domestic Violence: Guidelines for Practice*, sponsored by the American Probation and Parole Association. The Deschutes County Parole and Probation Department had applied for and was awarded a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women, to send a jurisdictional team to this conference. Representatives from the Bend Police Department, District Attorney's Office, Saving Grace, Parole and Probation Department, Child Welfare Office, and a batterer intervention provider attended. Several collaborative goals were developed at the conference, including finalizing the completion of the 2010-2012 Arrest Program (formerly Community Defined Solutions for Violence Against Women) grant application.

In August 2010, seven representatives from the Council attended a three-day training, *Enhancing Your Coordinated Community Response to Domestic Violence*, sponsored by the Crook County Domestic Violence Intervention Team with Grant funding provided by the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women – Rural Grant Program. Participants conducted a self assessment of the Deschutes County CCR and identified the need to evaluate CCR activities using an established tool.

In October 2010, Deschutes County received a Safe Havens: Supervised Visitation and Safe Exchange continuation grant.

In October 2010, Deschutes County received the Community Defined Solutions for Violence Against Women Grant. In October 2010, an Intensive Supervision Parole & Probation Officer was assigned a caseload averaging 30-35 of the highest-risk domestic violence offenders sentenced to probation or released from prison on post-prison supervision. In January 2011 David Sargent and Rhonda Pick trained 50 law enforcement officers and Saving Grace advocates

on the LAP. Following the LAP training, Saving Grace and law enforcement developed the protocols, policies and procedures for LAP implementation. Saving Grace hired an LAP Advocate and established a 24-hour LAP hotline. In March 2011, the LAP was implemented. Captains from the Deschutes County Sheriff's Department, the City of Bend Police Department, and the City of Redmond Police Department; a Supervisor from Parole and Probation; the Assistant Executive Director of Saving Grace; the Saving Grace LAP Advocate and the Community Project Coordinator from Deschutes County began meeting monthly to monitor and evaluate progress and outcomes of the LAP and the intensive supervision PPO. Additionally, the LAP advocate and intensive supervision probation officer began meeting twice monthly in February 2011 to address safety among the victims of the offenders on the intensive supervision caseload. These victims are now able to access confidential domestic violence program services via the LAP advocate.

In April 2011, Jacquelyn Campbell provided Danger Assessment training for over 150 services providers. This training provided excellent background information regarding domestic violence lethality assessment; however, local service providers other than Saving Grace have not adopted use of the Danger Assessment tool at this time due to concerns over the amount of time the tool may take to implement. Currently, the LAP (which is an abbreviated version of Danger Assessment) is beginning to be implemented in medical settings in Maryland, and the Council members have begun exploring the adoption of LAP in the medical setting.

In September 2011, the CCR subcommittee (with the assistance of BWJP Arrest grant Technical Assistance provider Connie Sponsler Garcia) identified the multi-disciplinary Best Practice Assessment (BPA) as a process that will provide a framework for assessing the community's response to domestic violence as well as tools to help the CCR identify and solve

problems. A Captain from the Bend Police Department contacted the 911 Service Director to discuss 911's involvement in the BPA. The 911 Service Director agreed to participate. The CCR subcommittee committed to seek resources to fund a position to coordinate a BPA for 911, and patrol response, police follow-up investigation, and prosecuting charging decisions.

In September 2011, Black Butte Ranch Police Department, a smaller agency in Deschutes County, requested LAP training due to the positive feedback from participating law enforcement agencies to date. Bend PD and Saving Grace trained Black Butte Ranch officers on the LAP in November 2011.

In December 2011, with training funds from the Safe Havens grant, the newly appointed Judge of the Deschutes County Circuit Court attended the National Council's institute on *Enhancing Judicial Skills in Domestic Violence Cases*. The Judge reported back to the Council, including information regarding the use of LAP by prosecutors and the bench in sentencing decisions.

In January 2012, a phone conference was held with David Sargent, Consultant and Lethality Assessment Coordinator for the Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence and Saving Grace about the use of LAP in the Maryland medical community. Council members came to the conclusion that LAP would be a helpful tool in both providing a brief domestic violence assessment and connecting high-risk victims to domestic violence program services. Discussion began with medical service providers about utilizing the LAP screen when there is an indication, suspicion, or belief of possible abuse and connecting high-risk victims with Saving Grace's domestic violence program services. Council members agreed to seek resources to pilot the use of LAP in a medical setting with Deschutes County Health Services Maternal Child Health Team, the Women, Infants and Children Program, and the Family Planning Team.

In April 2012, three community partners attended the *Responding to Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault: Enhancing Skills for Police and Prosecutors* conference. The deputy District Attorney in charge of person crimes, a BPD Lieutenant, and Saving Grace's Assistant Director (who is also grant project director) attended. This conference provided insights particularly related to predominant aggressor and high-risk offenders issues which were then discussed in Domestic Violence Council meetings, LAP meetings, and which also went on to inform future discussions around the Best Practices Assessment.

In September 2012, the LAP partners coordinated an Arrest Grant-funded training entitled *Responding Effectively to Intimate Partner Violence* in Bend. Presenter David Thomas from Johns Hopkins University provided this training to approximately 80 law enforcement officers, probation officers, deputy district attorneys, and advocates. In September 2012, the LAP Response Advocate also attended the National Center for Victims of Crimes' National Conference.

In September 2012, Deschutes County was informed it had received the Arrest Grant focusing on high-danger victims of intimate partner violence and high-risk offenders of intimate partner violence (IPV). Plans then ensued to continue with the project and add the Best Practice Assessment and LAP training for medical providers.

In December 2012, Deschutes County Health Services' Maternal Child Health Team, the Women, Infants and Children Program, and the Family Planning Team received training on the LAP protocol and intimate partner violence.

In December 2012, the Best Practices Assessment partners (911, Bend and Redmond Police Departments, the Sheriff's Office, a Deputy District Attorney, and Saving Grace Assistant Director who facilitated the group) embarked upon the assessment. Over the course of the

following nine months, the partners met for more than 30 hours to complete the Emergency Communications (911) and police patrol assessments. The assessment provided a common groundwork for assessing and ensuring a consistent response in a County with three primary law enforcement agencies providing response to domestic violence crimes. Outcomes of the assessment were well-received in the community, with recommendations ranging from: focusing further on strangulation investigations, ensuring all officers are consistently practicing the LAP response protocol, ensuring history of violence is thoroughly documented and taken into consideration, and ensuring all law enforcement agencies have a 911 policy/protocol specific to domestic violence.

In November 2013, a Circuit Court Judge, Deputy District Attorney and Parole & Probation Officer attended Emerge's *Abusers 201: Essential, Up-to-Date Information about Abusers and Abuser Interventions*. In November 2013, the Arrest Grant project director also provided LAP protocol and intimate partner violence training to four St. Charles Medical Center Emergency Department supervisors. St. Charles will also be opening up this training for its Social Workers in the spring of 2014.

In January 2013, Best Practices Assessment partners, including Bend and Redmond Police Departments, the Sheriff's Office, a Deputy District Attorney, a system-based Victims' Assistance Advocate, and Saving Grace's Assistant Director (who again facilitated) embarked on the Police Follow-up Investigations and Prosecution Charging Decisions assessments. This component was completed in September 2014.

In the fall of 2014, the LAP Advocate and a Deputy District Attorney attended the National Center for Victims of Crime's National Training Institute. From this training, the LAP Advocate was further educated on risk and danger levels in DV, the use of technology to stalk,

and strangulation in DV. As a result of strangulation training specifically related to criminal prosecution, the Deputy District Attorney has been able to more frequently enforce or add strangulation charges in DV cases.

The thorough research produced by the Best Practices Assessment led to an invitation to present during two Praxis webinars in the July and September of 2015. The Arrest grant Project Director and a Deputy District Attorney shared experiences with the Assessment, with particular focus on using the Assessments to analyze prosecution response to battering.

In July 2015, the ISPPPO and Arrest grant Project Director were invited to present at BWJP's national conference on *Engaging Offenders in Justice & Accountability Using Evidence-Based Practices*. They provided two 90-minute sessions on specifics around the intensive supervision probation program, as well as the partnership the ISPPPO has with the LAP Advocate and by extension, enhanced services for victims of offenders.

Over the three-year period, the Arrest grant Project Director and LAP Advocate have offered six trainings for public health and private practice medical practitioners to provide ongoing DV education in the medical community and to promote cross-referrals of high-danger victims, with an emphasis on Latina outreach. The Arrest grant Project Director also provided training for Deschutes County Circuit Court judges on the development and use of the LAP, as well as its use by prosecution in recommendations related to release and victim contact. The Deputy DA also met with judges and explained prosecution use of the LAP during release hearings.

The CCR group has met quarterly regarding the functioning of LAP and the intensive supervision PPO continue to work on improvements to the LAP protocol. The Arrest grant Project Director and LAP Advocate have provided ongoing education with law enforcement

around LAP. Since the program's inception, more than 1,500 LAP screens have been initiated by law enforcement, resulting in nearly 600 LAP calls connecting high-danger victims to Saving Grace, of which nearly 350 individuals received in-person services ranging from shelter, safety planning, protection order assistance, crisis counseling and therapeutic services, and support throughout the criminal prosecution process and beyond.

The DA's Office and the LAP Advocate began to work more closely together on high-risk DV cases. This collaboration has enhanced safety (including emotional safety) for victims, which has in turn increased victims' capacity to attend grand jury proceedings and other hearings— as well as maintaining close communication with the District Attorney's Office.

The Parole and Probation Department has successfully supervised an average of 30-35 high-risk DV offenders since receipt of current grant in 2014. The intensive supervision caseload has 47% fewer offenders than a regular DV caseload, with approximately 50% more field and office contacts. This has resulted in greater accountability and swifter sanctions – at a rate of three times higher than a regular DV caseload. At the end of the previous grant period (9/30/2017), the Department distributed the high-risk DV offenders among all DV PPO's caseloads while employing the same strategies to hold high-risk batterers accountable. The Department will be able to sustainably fund high-risk offender supervision in this way.

Since completion of the Best Practices Assessment in the fall of 2014, the three primary law enforcement agencies and DA's Office have worked within their current capacities to institute Best Practice Assessment recommendations. Evidence collection, follow-up photographs of injuries and victim/witness interviews, thorough reporting, and improved strangulation investigations are all priorities that were identified by the BPA. Law enforcement and the DA's Office recognized hiring a DV Investigator who can support countywide DV

crimes with priority and timely follow-up investigation is a community need; however, funding is currently limited.

The close collaboration between the LAP Advocate and the DA's Office, combined with a concerted effort to improve evidence collection and investigation of DV crimes, suggested that more coordinated efforts with the DA's Office being a central player will enhance community response to DV. While agency partners have met quarterly around LAP implementation and high-risk offender supervision, partners now support a more "real time" meeting schedule to coordinate high-risk DV offenses while keeping high-danger victims safe. Twice per month meetings are recommended, with continuation of addressing lethality factors via the LAP screens submitted with police reports.

The current grant partners, as well as the Deschutes County Domestic Violence Council members, have supported the addition of a Domestic Violence Investigator to enhance investigations. In addition, the groups recommend continuation of the Lethality Assessment Program with focus placed on ongoing support and training for law enforcement provided by the LAP Advocate and District Attorney's Office. Finally, implementation of a high-risk DV team will provide the best chances for offender accountability and victim safety, as well as ongoing support and communication for the newly implemented DV Investigator.

In February of 2017 and January of 2018, Deschutes County Commissioners expressed support to seek this grant opportunity and following application, an award was made to Deschutes County for 449000 to implement this project. Beginning in 2018, a Domestic Violence Investigator was hired following recruitment and interviews conducted with support of our community partners. Isabel Chavez was hired as the DVI and served in that role from November 2018 until July 2020.

During the time, DVI Chavez conducted numerous follow up investigations and supported prosecution efforts that led to successful prosecutions and enhanced victim safety. Additionally, a Domestic Violence High Risk Team was formed that included members from the Deschutes County DA's Office, Saving Grace, and the DVI which screened cases to assess high risk offenders using tools such as the evidence based Lethality Assessment Program. These cases were given priority for follow up investigations and prosecution and led to very positive results in many cases. With resignation of DVI Chavez in July of 2020, a grant modification was obtained to be able to shift funding in a manner that allowed Sunriver PD Officer Tiffany Thompson to fill the role of DVI under a special assignment for the remaining time that the 2018 grant is funded and will return to SRPD following the assignment.

The District Attorney's Office pledges to provide fiscal and program management for the application, and Saving Grace will continue to provide oversight and quality assurance for the LAP. Coordination between the District Attorney's Office, law enforcement, Saving Grace and the County have led to the agreement reflected in this Memorandum and the submission of the grant application.

Continuation Grant Application

In 2021, OVW released the current grant solicitation that would provide funding if awarded to continue the current project that funds the centralized DVI, the Deschutes County DV High Risk Team, and the LAP Program. An additional partner agency was identified as a critical partner that would provide valuable resources for the DV High Risk Team. Deschutes County Parole and Probation, which supervises Domestic Violence Offenders has agreed to join our DV High Risk Team to further enhance our community's response to High Risk Offenders.

**Roles and Responsibilities
Deschutes County**

Support for grant-related activities and management will be provided by the full organization of Deschutes County under the direction of the Board of County Commissioners. Supplemental services provided by County departments include grant administration, legal counsel, administrative support, financial management, risk management and technological system assistance.

Deschutes County District Attorney's Office

Deschutes County District Attorney's Office will: 1) provide grant management for the Improving Criminal Justice Responses to Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking Grant Program; 2) act as fiscal agent and administrator of grant funds; 3) ensure compliance with the reporting requirements of the Office on Violence Against Women; 4) provide office space and equipment, technology support, and other necessary items for the Domestic Violence Investigator to be based out of District Attorney's Office; 5) assist in providing training for law enforcement community partners related to grant activities; and 6) provide meeting space and facilitation of twice monthly high-risk DV team meetings. Stacy Neil, Deputy District Attorney will act as Project Co-Director; assist the DV Investigator; and, facilitate the twice monthly high-risk DV team meetings. Jessica Chandler, Executive Assistant to the District Attorney will administer grant funding and submit financial reports. The DA's Office will provide office space, office equipment, related job equipment, project coordination and administration, reporting, and additional financial support if needed for the position.

Deschutes County Sheriff's Office

Deschutes County Sheriff's Office (DCSO) will provide full cooperation and coordination of services with the DV Investigator, via the District Attorney's Office leadership.

DCSO will implement the Lethality Assessment Program (LAP) on the scene of domestic violence calls for service and will ensure all current and future Deputies are LAP-trained. The DCSO will phone Saving Grace's LAP hotline to connect high-risk victims with a Domestic Violence Advocate. The DCSO Deputies will also utilize the LAP screen to augment police reports. All LAP screens will be submitted with police reports to the District Attorney's Office. DCSO will also provide financial support of the DV Investigator position if needed to sustain the position during the grant period in an amount up to \$3,000 annually.

The Sheriff has designated Captain Deron McMaster as representative to participate in every other month Council meetings and related technical assistance events. Captain McMaster will serve as liaison to DCSO for the DV Investigator and will attend high-risk DV team meetings on an as-needed basis. Captain McMaster will support the LAP Advocate providing annual training and updates with patrol deputies and will ensure monthly reports are provided documenting LAP calls for service.

City of Bend Police Department

The City of Bend Police Department (Bend PD) will provide full cooperation and coordination of services with the DV Investigator, via the District Attorney's Office leadership. Bend PD will implement the Lethality Assessment Program (LAP) on the scene of domestic violence calls for service and will ensure all current and future officers are LAP-trained. Bend PD will phone Saving Grace's LAP hotline to connect high-risk victims with a Domestic Violence Advocate. Bend PD officers will also utilize the LAP screen to augment police reports. All LAP screens will be submitted with police reports to the District Attorney's Office. BPD will provide financial support of the DV Investigator position if needed to sustain the position during the grant period in an amount up to \$3,000 annually.

The Chief has designated Lieutenant Adam Juhnke, or his designee as representative to participate in every other month Council meetings and related technical assistance events. Lt. Juhnke will serve as liaison to Bend PD for the DV Investigator and will assist in providing annual training and updates with patrol officers and will ensure monthly reports are provided documenting LAP calls for service.

City of Redmond Police Department

The City of Redmond Police Department (Redmond PD) will provide full cooperation and coordination of services with the DV Investigator, via the District Attorney's Office leadership. Redmond PD will implement the Lethality Assessment Program (LAP) on the scene of domestic violence calls for service and will ensure all current and future officers are LAP-trained. Redmond PD will phone Saving Grace's LAP hotline to connect high-risk victims with a Domestic Violence Advocate. Redmond PD officers will also utilize the LAP screen to augment police reports. All LAP screens will be submitted with police reports to the District Attorney's Office. RPD will provide financial support of the DV Investigator position if needed to sustain the position during the grant period in an amount up to \$3,000 annually.

The Chief has designated Lieutenant Curtis Chambers as representative to participate in every other month Council meetings and related technical assistance events. Lt. Chambers will serve as liaison to Redmond PD for the DV Investigator and will support the LAP Advocate in providing annual training and updates with patrol officers and will ensure monthly reports are provided documenting LAP calls for service.

Sunriver Police Department

Sunriver Police Department will provide full cooperation and coordination of services with the DV Investigator, via the District Attorney's Office leadership. SRPD will implement

the Lethality Assessment Program (LAP) on the scene of domestic violence calls for service and will ensure all current and future officers are LAP-trained. SRPD will phone Saving Grace's LAP hotline to connect high-risk victims with a Domestic Violence Advocate. SRPD officers will also utilize the LAP screen to augment police reports. All LAP screens will be submitted with police reports to the District Attorney's Office. SRPD will provide financial support of the DV Investigator position if needed to sustain the position during the grant period in an amount up to \$1,000 annually.

The Chief of Police, Cory Darling, will participate in every other month Council meetings and related technical assistance events. Chief Darling will serve as liaison to Sunriver Police Department for the DV Investigator and will attend high-risk DV team meetings on an as-needed basis. Chief Darling will support the LAP Advocate providing annual training and updates with patrol officers and will ensure monthly reports are provided documenting LAP calls for service.

Black Butte Police Department

Black Butte Police Department will provide full cooperation and coordination of services with the DV Investigator, via the District Attorney's Office leadership. BBPD will implement the Lethality Assessment Program (LAP) on the scene of domestic violence calls for service and will ensure all current and future officers are LAP-trained. BBPD will phone Saving Grace's LAP hotline to connect high-risk victims with a Domestic Violence Advocate. BBPD officers will also utilize the LAP screen to augment police reports. All LAP screens will be submitted with police reports to the District Attorney's Office. BBPD will provide financial support of the DV Investigator position if needed to sustain the position during the grant period in an amount up to \$1,000 annually.

The Chief of Police, Denney Kelley will participate in every other month Council meetings and related technical assistance events. Chief Kelley will serve as liaison to Black Butte Police Department for the DV Investigator and will attend high-risk DV team meetings on an as-needed basis. Chief Kelley will support the LAP Advocate providing annual training and updates with patrol officers and will ensure monthly reports are provided documenting LAP calls for service.

Saving Grace

Saving Grace will provide overall direction for LAP implementation. Saving Grace Assistant Executive Director, Trish Meyer, will serve as Project Co-Director, in partnership with Deputy District Attorney Stacy Neil. Ms. Meyer sits on the Coordinated Community Response subcommittee of the Council. She will promote the growth of the collaborative effort, and will supervise all Saving Grace activities.

Saving Grace will operate the 24-hour Lethality Assessment Program (LAP) hotline and will recruit, hire, and train LAP on-call advocates who will answer the 24-hour LAP hotline. Saving Grace will supervise a LAP Advocate, who will provide all follow-up advocacy and support to LAP-referred clients.

The LAP Advocate will serve as the primary contact to the District Attorney's Office, DCSO, Bend PD, SRPD, BBPD, and RPD. The LAP Advocate will serve as a member of the high-risk DV team, meeting twice monthly. The Advocate will provide ongoing LAP training and education on the DV team as well as in trainings with respective law enforcement agencies.

The Project Co-Director will provide leadership for all non-administrative duties related to developing cross-agency collaboration among law enforcement, courts, community justice, batterer intervention providers, health providers, mental health providers, legal advocates and

community groups.

The Project Co-Director will assume responsibility for collecting, compiling and providing the statistical, narrative and financial information necessary to complete grant reports. All Saving Grace staff will maintain the confidentiality of individuals using Saving Grace services.

Saving Grace will provide quarterly training to its staff on domestic violence issues, safety and intervention. Saving Grace will also promote and/or provide training and education of local law enforcement agencies and community justice regarding domestic violence issues and risk assessment at least once per year. Council members and other community partners will be invited to participate in these sessions.

Deschutes County Community Justice, Parole and Probation

Deschutes County Parole and Probation supports this application and will appoint Supervisor Justin Bendele to as project liaison and representative in Council meetings. Supervisor Bendele will participate in twice monthly Domestic Violence High Risk Team meetings and provide assistance to the team as needed and within the bounds of the Parole and Probation Department's policies.

State of Oregon Circuit Court of Deschutes County

The State of Oregon Circuit Court of Deschutes County (Court) agrees to appoint Jeff Hall Trial Court Administrator, as project liaison and representative in Council meetings. The Court, as necessary, further agrees to meet with representatives to discuss administrative matters and attend educational and informational meetings coordinated through the Trial Court Administrator.

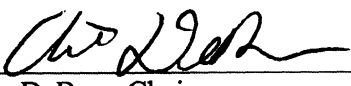
Timeline

The roles and responsibilities described above are contingent on the County receiving the funds requested for this project in the Improving Criminal Justice Responses to Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking Grant Program grant application. The beginning and end dates of this implementation effort would coincide with the grant period, anticipated to be October 2021 through September 2024.


Commitment to Partnership

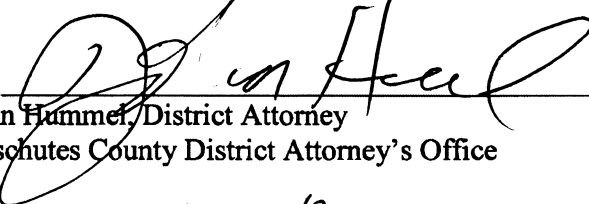
- 1) The collaboration service area consists of Deschutes County, Oregon, including both incorporated and unincorporated portions thereof.
- 2) The partners agree to collaborate and provide coordinated domestic violence investigations, risk assessment, advocacy and domestic violence program services pursuant to the program narrative of the grant application attached to this agreement.
- 3) Compensation for the Deschutes County District Attorney's Office and Saving Grace's contributions for management of this project will be provided as outlined in the attached OVW budget detail worksheet.
- 4) The partners will collaborate in the collection of data and evaluation of the effectiveness of this position.

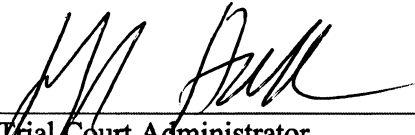
We, the undersigned have read and agree with this MOU. Further, we have reviewed the portion of the proposed project budget pertaining to the collaborative effort described herein, and approve it.

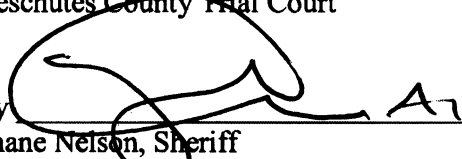
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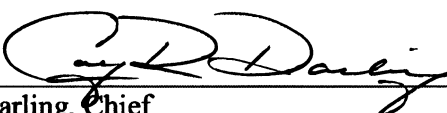
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