

State of Alaska FY2011 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Public Safety Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Results Delivery Unit Budget Summary

Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Results Delivery Unit

Contribution to Department's Mission

Provide a system of statewide crisis intervention, perpetrator accountability, and prevention services to Alaskans victimized or impacted by domestic violence and sexual assault.

Core Services

- Administer state and federal funds to programs that provide services to those affected by domestic violence, sexual assault, and other violent crimes.
- Coordinate domestic violence and sexual assault prevention efforts in Alaska.
- Engage and work with the departments of Public Safety, Law, Corrections, Education and Early Development, and Health and Social Services, the Alaska Court System, and community groups dealing with domestic violence, sexual assault, crisis intervention, and prevention.

Results at a Glance

(Additional performance information is available on the web at <http://omb.alaska.gov/results>.)

END RESULT A: Victim services are available 24/7 in all areas of the state.

- In FY2009, 100% of hub programs made shelter services available to victims
- In FY2009, 100% of programs had crisis line access available to victims

Status of Strategies to Achieve End Result

- In FY2008, 99% of victims were fully served
- In FY2009, 100% of hub programs provided legal assistance to victims
- All required victim service program audits were completed in FY2009
- In FY2009, 95% of programs audited were in compliance
- All required batterer intervention program audits were completed in FY2009
- In FY2009, 88% of programs audited were in compliance
- The council fully or partially funded 81 trainings in FY2009
- 95% of council funded programs provided school and/or community education in FY2009

END RESULT B: Victims' lives are positively impacted through program services.

- 93% of FY2009 participants stated they knew more ways to plan for their safety after program contact

Status of Strategies to Achieve End Result

- 91% of FY2009 participants stated they knew more about available community resources after program contact

Major Activities to Advance Strategies

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct state RFP process, allocate funds, support legislative efforts, apply for federal funds. • Conduct onsite reviews and provide technical assistance. • Maintain database, analyze data reports, and conduct data audits. • Coordinate training to increase skills of first responders. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinate training to strengthen the state's response to domestic violence and sexual assault. • Coordinate training to improve services for victims. • Support implementation of statewide prevention activities. • Implement strategic plan second year tasks and evaluate effectiveness of projects. |
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Key RDU Challenges

Lack of affordable and supportive housing affects crime victims across the state. Although victims actively participate in processes necessary to secure housing, there are few affordable opportunities. As a result, victims are requesting shelter stay extensions. A tension exists for programs in trying to support these women's efforts to stay safe while at the same time providing immediate safety for increasing numbers of victims just beginning their escape. Longer stays and rising fixed costs negatively affect both the type of services programs can offer and the amount of services available.

Other challenges include lack of legal representation for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault and the increase in domestic violence and sexual assault victims with multiple issues seeking services (for example dealing with mental health issues or drug and alcohol abuse issues).

Programs report it is more difficult to access federal and philanthropic funding as more grant programs consolidate and more local organizations begin applying for those grants as they experience funding shortages in their own areas. This affects both the type of services programs can offer and the amount of services available from their community and statewide partners.

Making sexual assault forensic exams available throughout the state is a challenge. Several programs reported difficulty in maintaining nursing staff trained to gather forensic evidence in cases involving adult sexual assault. Many hospitals experience chronic nursing shortages and find it difficult to allocate limited resources to a non-medical purpose. There are challenges associated with implementing anonymous reporting of adult sexual assault and in gathering and storing evidence.

Engaging allied agencies to participate in joint efforts in order to best address the needs of those affected by domestic violence, sexual assault, and other violent crimes is an on-going challenge.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2011

CDVSA will intensify prevention efforts through pooling resources and engaging stakeholders in a campaign to prevent interpersonal violence in Alaska. The council will coordinate prevention activities with the Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (network) and the public health division of the Department of Health and Social Services.

CDVSA will strengthen research efforts through a partnership with the University of Alaska and the network. Working with the university, the council will fund an interpersonal violence prevalence survey. The council will work with the network to complete a community and program needs assessment that will provide data for program development and funding decisions.

Major RDU Accomplishments in 2009

The council developed a ten-year strategic plan and implemented first year activities; funded fifteen special projects to enhance services in rural areas, provided services to battered immigrant women, and increased services for victims in Anchorage; and added the Department of Corrections and a rural public member to the board.

CDVSA, in partnership with the public health division of the Department of Health and Social Services, received approval from the Centers for Disease Control for a five-year rape prevention education plan.

CDVSA, in partnership with the Alaska Inter-Tribal Council, Alaska State Troopers, Alaska Department of Law, Alaska Court System, and the Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, finished a series of nine Tribal State Forums on Safety and Justice training sessions for individuals across the state who are essential to the coordinated community response to domestic violence and sexual assault. Individuals trained include state and local law enforcement, prosecutors and paralegals, health care providers, emergency medical personnel, tribal organization representatives, advocates, social services providers, disability advocates, and community members.

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**Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
RDU Financial Summary by Component**

All dollars shown in thousands

| | FY2009 Actuals | | | | FY2010 Management Plan | | | | FY2011 Governor | | | |
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| | General Funds | Federal Funds | Other Funds | Total Funds | General Funds | Federal Funds | Other Funds | Total Funds | General Funds | Federal Funds | Other Funds | Total Funds |
| Formula Expenditures None. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Non-Formula Expenditures | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Domestic Viol/Sexual Assault | 1,366.7 | 5,542.3 | 6,214.3 | 13,123.3 | 7.9 | 6,196.2 | 9,083.7 | 15,287.8 | 1,043.3 | 4,585.8 | 8,432.3 | 14,061.4 |
| Batterers Intervention Program | 200.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 200.0 | 200.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 200.0 | 200.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 200.0 |
| Totals | 1,566.7 | 5,542.3 | 6,214.3 | 13,323.3 | 207.9 | 6,196.2 | 9,083.7 | 15,487.8 | 1,243.3 | 4,585.8 | 8,432.3 | 14,261.4 |

**Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
Summary of RDU Budget Changes by Component
From FY2010 Management Plan to FY2011 Governor**

All dollars shown in thousands

| | <u>General Funds</u> | <u>Federal Funds</u> | <u>Other Funds</u> | <u>Total Funds</u> |
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| FY2010 Management Plan | 207.9 | 6,196.2 | 9,083.7 | 15,487.8 |
| Adjustments which will continue current level of service: | | | | |
| -Domestic Viol/Sexual Assault | 653.5 | -2,713.7 | -651.4 | -2,711.6 |
| Proposed budget increases: | | | | |
| -Domestic Viol/Sexual Assault | 381.9 | 1,103.3 | 0.0 | 1,485.2 |
| FY2011 Governor | 1,243.3 | 4,585.8 | 8,432.3 | 14,261.4 |