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REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO SUBMIT
AN ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT SPECIAL FUND

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SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Special Fund is administered by the Hawaii State Department of Health (DOH), Family Health Services Division, Maternal and Child Health Branch (MCHB). The MCHB, through its domestic violence and sexual violence programs, utilizes national, local, and program data, needs assessments, evaluation tools, and recommendations to plan and implement comprehensive statewide prevention activities and assess program effectiveness and improvement.

The **top recurrent recommendation** from the compiled 2000-2009 Domestic Violence Fatality Review (DVFR) recommendations and the January 7, 2016 DVFR briefing for State and County government agencies is the high need for improving and increasing domestic violence training for systems responders. Further findings from these recommendations show that four or more agencies were involved prior to the fatality—the top three were law enforcement, health care (e.g., EMS, hospitals), and the court system—and in more than 95.6% of the cases, there was a known history of domestic violence prior to the fatality. As a result, the DOH, together with the Department of the Attorney General, the Department of Human Services, and the Judiciary have formed a collaborative that is in the process of summarizing results from a domestic violence training assessment survey, which will inform the development of a statewide training platform for State and County domestic violence systems responders.

DOH's ongoing needs assessments confirm focusing primary prevention activities for children to young adults, ages birth to 24 years, using a multi-layered modality (i.e., social ecological model) to prevent violence before it begins. Data from the 2015 Youth Risk Behavior Survey in Hawaii stated that 1 out of 6 middle school students have been forced to do unwanted sexual things (e.g., kissing, touching, or being physically forced to have sexual intercourse) in the past 12 months. This dismaying statistic indicates prevention is even more important at younger ages, and DOH will be contracting a local agency, in partnership with the Department of Education, to develop and implement a statewide pilot program specifically targeting middle and high school students to increase knowledge, attitudes and behaviors that promote respect and protect against all forms of sexual violence. DOH will continue to fund primary prevention efforts at the university level due to the success of reaching large numbers of students. According to the 2016 University of Hawaii Annual Security & Fire Safety Report, incidents of sexual assault have decreased on the Manoa campus.

Lastly, the MCHB initiated partnerships and collaboration with other DOH programs and State agencies, including the violence prevention community, to plan violence prevention efforts in 2017. Two public health approaches (i.e., training and community mobilization activities) have been identified from the DVFR recommendations and the five-year Sexual Violence Prevention Plan for implementation in 2017.

- Children Exposed to Violence/Adverse Childhood Experiences Training will educate and raise awareness of the impact violence has on children. The Adverse Childhood Experiences Study by Vincent J. Felitti, M.D. found a strong relationship between the breadth of exposure to violence during childhood and the multiple risk

factors for several of the leading causes of death in adults. In Hawaii, according to the compiled 2000-2009 DVFR findings, there were children in the family unit in 88.9% of the cases.

- Engaging Men as Allies to Prevent Domestic and Sexual Violence in Hawaii is part of a national movement. Futures Without Violence has partnered with the Department of Justice's Office on Violence Against Women to encourage men and boys to become allies in preventing violence against women. Locally, engaging men in violence prevention efforts is currently being piloted on Oahu by DOH and a small and committed group of men from the military, university, service providers, and advocates for youth. The group meets regularly and is planning a March 2017 kick-off event and two 2017 trainings. The group's stated goals are to create a culture that encourages healthy and respectful relationships and rejects violence against women.

Domestic Violence Prevention Program

1. Domestic Violence Fatality Review (DVFR) Initiatives

- On January 7, 2016, the DOH and the Department of the Attorney General co-hosted a briefing to inform state and county government agencies on DVFR data, findings, barriers, and recommendations. Thirty-four representatives (chiefs of police, Department of Human Services, the military, the Judiciary, prosecuting attorneys, emergency services, and paroling) participated in the briefing. The participants concluded that systemic training on domestic violence is essential, especially for multi-system responders (e.g., first responders, professionals, and providers), and must be a priority.
- A legislative briefing before the joint Senate and House Committees on Health was held on January 22, 2016. DOH Director Dr. Virginia Pressler and Attorney General Douglas Chin spoke of their commitment to the DVFR process, collaboration, and systems changes.
- The DOH trained ten members of the DVFR Statewide Team on the review process; fatality reviews resumed August 2016.

2. Domestic Violence and Developmental Disabilities Curriculum and Training

According to the May 2015 Bureau of Justice Statistics: *Crime Against Persons with Disabilities, 2009-2013*, rates of serious violent victimization were more than three times higher for persons with disabilities than the rate for persons without disabilities. As this population is at high risk for violence, the DOH's MCHB and the Developmental Disabilities Division, along with the Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence, have partnered to develop a curriculum and training to educate developmental disabilities case managers on domestic violence and domestic violence providers and advocates on people with disabilities. It is estimated that initially 50 case managers and 30 domestic violence providers/advocates on Oahu will receive training through 2017.

Sexual Violence Prevention Program

1. Sexual Violence Primary Prevention Services for Youth and Young Adults

DOH contracted with the Kapiolani Medical Center for Women and Children's Sex Abuse Treatment Center (SATC) to implement their K-12 sexual violence prevention curricula. The curricula were developed in collaboration with the Department of Education to inform school staff on child sexual abuse and to share related resources to promote healthy, respectful relationships. SATC also promotes the web-based Start the Conversation Toolkit and, in partnership with the Honolulu Theatre for Youth, engages youth leaders in the annual Rally for [respect] which was held on April 28, 2016.

- 62 professionals were trained in train-the-trainer sessions, including school administrators, counselors, educators, social workers, school psychologists, youth leaders, coaches, and community-based educators.
- 1,385 students received SATC's curricula who attended public and private school or community-based programs statewide.
- 142 professionals and community members received training on a range of child sexual abuse topics.
- 1,083 Start the Conversation Toolkit website views were recorded during Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM), April 2016.
- 195 high school students, teachers, family, and community (primarily Oahu) participated in the annual SAAM Rally for [respect] event.

2. Coaching Boys into Men Curriculum

DOH contracted with Ala Kuola to implement the Futures Without Violence Coaching Boys into Men (CBIM) curriculum, which provides high school athletic coaches with resources to promote respectful behavior among players and help prevent relationship abuse, harassment, and sexual assault. The CBIM curriculum consists of a series of coach-to-athlete trainings that illustrate ways to model respect and promote healthy relationships. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recognizes CBIM as an evidence-based prevention program.

- 750 high school male student athletes and nine high school coaches (primarily football) participated in the CBIM program.

3. Prevention Awareness and Understanding (PAU) Violence Program

DOH contracted with the University of Hawaii (UH) Women's Center PAU Violence Program to provide sexual violence prevention (SVP) training, education, and awareness through sexual violence task forces on each of the ten UH campuses. The PAU Violence Program supports the task forces on each campus to promote sexual violence prevention including sexual harassment, assault, rape, dating violence, stalking, and cyber-stalking, as well as provides victim services.

- 5,373 UH students attended statewide public awareness activities.

- 2,826 incoming freshmen, housing, international students, ROTC, Native Hawaiian Studies, and student athletes received sexual violence prevention training and education.
- 641 statewide faculty, staff, and student employees from the College of Education, and all newly employed teaching assistants in the Graduate Division, received SVP training.

Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Special Fund
Revenues for FY 2016
(Receipts from Fees for Vital Records Certified Copies,
Tax Designations, and Interest Earned)

<u>Date of Receipt*</u>	<u>JV No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Totals</u>
<i>From Fees for Vital Records Certified Copies--</i>			
10/15/2015	00JM1537	46,724.00	
10/26/2015	00JM1733	21,909.00	
12/01/2015	00JM2343	22,356.00	
12/17/2015	00JM2632	18,409.00	
1/19/2016	00JM3152	20,603.00	
2/16/2016	00JM3722	21,477.00	
3/14/2016	00JM4200	20,518.00	
4/20/2016	00JM5070	25,311.00	
5/06/2016	00JM5437	21,186.00	
6/08/2016	00JM6137	20,585.00	
		Subtotal:	\$ 239,078.00
<i>From Tax Designations--</i>			
7/30/2015	00JM0265	29,967.77	
3/01/2016	00JM3945	3,084.45	
		Subtotal:	\$ 33,052.22
<i>Interest earned from investment pool--</i>		2,432.91	
		Subtotal:	\$ 2,432.91
<i>Credits from Prior Year Payment</i>		2,099.91	
		Subtotal:	<u>\$ 2,099.91</u>
TOTAL			<u>\$ 276,663.04</u>

* Source: DATAMART-Rev Download, date receipt processed to FAMIS system

**Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Special Fund
Expenditures for FY 2016**

FY 2015-16					
Description	Planned Total	Expenditures As of 6/30/16	Encumbrances As of 6/30/16	FY16 Enc. Liquidated in FY17	Remaining Balance (as of 10/04/16)
Domestic Violence Fatality Review (DVFR): Reviews of homicides, near-deaths, and suicides; training, inter-island travel, and supplies included	\$41,312.48	\$680.78	\$40,631.70	\$775.82	\$39,855.88
Domestic Violence and Developmental Disabilities Curriculum: Training on the intersection of domestic violence and disabilities	\$100,000.00	\$ -	\$100,000.00	\$5,293.36	\$94,706.64
Domestic Violence Prevention Program Specialist	\$25,850.02	\$25,605.78	\$244.24	\$ -	\$244.24
Sex Abuse Treatment Center: K to 12 SVP Curricula	\$ 95,000.00	\$52,325.64	\$42,674.36	\$42,674.36	\$ -
Ala Kuola: Coaching Boys into Men curriculum	\$24,900.00	\$12,786.00	\$12,114.00	\$8,591.00	\$3,523.00
University of Hawaii: PAU Violence Program	\$76,282.21	\$45,542.54	\$ 30,739.67	\$ -	\$30,739.67
Training, Registration Fees, and Related Travel	\$836.30	\$836.30	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Central Services Administrative Fee	\$18,426.14	\$18,426.14	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total	\$382,607.15	\$156,203.18	\$226,403.97	\$57,334.54	\$169,069.43

The present report shows revenues of \$276,663.04 in FY 2016 and Expenditures/Encumbrances of \$382,607.15. There are fluctuations in revenues from year to year due to the amount that is collected through the special fund. Any surplus of revenues at the end of a fiscal year is added to this cash balance while any deficit is drawn down from this cash balance. It is the goal of the department to implement programs that match the Hawaii Department of Health Strategic Plan 2015-2018. The department attempts to align revenues and expenditures as closely as possible on a year to year basis. Please note: The following are projections for FY17 expenditures for Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Programs based on projected FY17 revenues of \$341,000 and spend-down of FY16 unencumbered cash balance of \$129,000.

DVSA Special Fund Projected Expenditures in FY 17: \$470,000 Budget

Activities	Rationale, Number of People, Outcomes, Benefit	Amount
Domestic and Sexual Violence Prevention Activities		
Ongoing Efforts		
	1. Domestic Violence Fatality Review (DVFR): Reviews of homicides, near-deaths, and suicides; training, inter-island travel, and supplies included	\$10,000
	2. Domestic Violence and Developmental Disabilities Curriculum: Training on the intersection of domestic violence and disabilities	\$50,000
	3. Domestic Violence Prevention Program Specialist	\$90,000
	4. Sex Abuse Treatment Center: K to 12 SVP Curricula / Honolulu Theater For Youth's [respect] 2.0	\$40,000
	5. Ala Kuola: Coaching Boys into Men curriculum	\$25,000
	6. University of Hawaii: PAU Violence Program	\$75,000
	7. Engaging Men As Allies To Prevent Domestic and Sexual Violence	\$5,000
	Ongoing Efforts Subtotal	\$295,000
Projected New Programs		
DV/SV Strategic Planning	A. DV Prevention and Response System Plan (\$10,000) <u>Rationale:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommendation from the DV community to develop and strengthen system-wide responses for families suffering harm of domestic violence. 	\$12,000

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A coordinated community response system improves the responses to domestic violence to ensure victim safety and offender accountability. • Collaborative work includes conducting a needs assessments and developing protocols designed to address the identified challenges and inform planning efforts. <p><u>Number of People:</u> 40-50 leaders statewide</p> <p><u>Outcomes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To identify and select 40-50 leaders from service providers, government and non-government agencies, and first responders to form a planning committee. • To conduct bi-monthly planning meetings to oversee the development and implementation of a needs assessment to identify system overlap and gaps. • The Planning Committee will oversee the development of a statewide coordinated community response system plan. <p><u>Benefit:</u> To ensure coordinated quality of care for victims of violence statewide.</p> <p>B. DV/SV Public Awareness Planning for Healthy Relationships (\$2,000)</p> <p><u>Rationale:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommendation from the DV/SV community to develop primary prevention visibility: to prevent violence before it begins and to promote healthy relationships. <p><u>Number of People:</u> 40-50 individuals statewide</p> <p><u>Outcomes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To convene 40-50 leaders from statewide agencies to plan a messaging campaign. <p><u>Benefit:</u> To create a culture for a healthier Hawaii that does not tolerate any form of violence.</p>	
<p>Middle School Healthy Relationships Collaboration</p>	<p><u>Rationale:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides middle school youth in rural communities with the knowledge and skills necessary to improve sexual health and reduce the risk of unintended pregnancy by providing medically accurate information within a Native Hawaiian framework. <p><u>Number of People:</u> 400 individuals statewide</p> <p><u>Outcomes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To increase the Department of Education’s capacity to provide sexual health education in the public schools. 	<p>\$60,000</p>

	<p><u>Benefit:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensures that middle school students have accurate information to make healthy choices, engage in healthy, respectful relationships, and achieve success in school. 	
<p>Connecting the Dots of Violence Across the Lifespan Statewide Two-Day Conference</p>	<p><u>Rationale:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Violence takes many forms, including domestic violence, intimate partner violence, sexual harassment, stalking, rape, child maltreatment, children exposed to violence, bullying, suicidal behavior, and elder abuse and neglect. These forms of violence are interconnected and often share the same root causes and can happen at the same time or at different stages of life. • Builds on the foundation initiated at the January 2015 DOH training and the upcoming January 2017 Children Exposed to Violence (CEV) and Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) 1.0 and 2.0 training. • The Domestic Violence Fatality Review (DVFR) compiled from the 2000-2009 findings identified health care as one of the top areas accessed prior to a domestic violence related fatality when four or more agencies were involved. • In Hawaii, almost 90% of fatal DV cases from the 2000-2009 DVFR findings had children in the family unit. This indicates that schools are educating children exposed to violence, which, according to ACEs findings, affects their behavior, learning skills, and mental health. <p><u>Number of People:</u> 500 individuals statewide</p> <p><u>Outcomes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To collaborate with at least four partners on developing the Connecting the Dots of Violence Across the Lifespan Conference. • To train 500 service providers, government and non-government agencies, educators, law enforcement, and health care professionals on the links among multiple forms of violence, including stalking. <p><u>Benefit:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prevent all types of violence from occurring in the first place. • Coordinate and integrate responses to violence in a way that recognizes these connections and considers the individual in the context of their home environment, neighborhood, and larger community 	<p>\$50,000</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase the understanding of domestic violence, sexual violence, and child abuse and neglect for special populations, such as LGBTQ, people with disabilities, and the elderly. • Increased understanding of the effects of CEV/ACEs provides participants with greater capacity to promote healthy, positive relationship skills. • Provide leadership and mentoring skills to engage men as allies to prevent domestic and sexual violence. • Create a culture of healthy and respectful relationships in Hawaii. 	
Domestic Violence Action Center's Teen Alert Program (TAP808)	<p><u>Rationale:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding to support Domestic Violence Action Center's TAP808, including the implementation of the January 2017 evaluation plan developed in partnership with Hawaii State Department of Health, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Harvard University and the Domestic Violence Action Center. • Youths who have experienced dating violence are at a higher risk for depression, anxiety, drug and alcohol abuse, and suicidal thoughts that can last a lifetime <p><u>Number of People:</u> 4,000 teens and adults.</p> <p><u>Outcomes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To improve efforts on how best to reach our youth and prevent partner abuse. • To implement the evaluation plan and data collection system. • To reduce teen dating violence by 10% in schools TAP provides services (while awaiting results from the evaluation plan). <p><u>Benefit:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduces social, economic, and medical costs in our state due to the potential lifetime effects of dating violence • Utilizing the results of the evaluation plan offers greater capacity to increase healthy, positive relationship skills. 	\$30,000
Professional Development	To provide professional development opportunities for DV/SV program personnel and partners.	\$6,000
DV/SV Conference Support	<p>A. Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence</p> <p><u>Rationale:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide the DV community and partners with local and national DV resources, best practices, and opportunities for collaboration and partnership. 	\$10,000

	<p><u>Number of People:</u> 100 individuals statewide</p> <p><u>Outcomes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To train 100 service providers, government and non-government agencies, and first responders on DV 101 and related topics. <p><u>Benefit:</u> To build capacity of individuals representing agencies and organizations statewide on effective domestic violence prevention and response services</p> <p>B. Kau Rural Health Association Conference</p> <p><u>Rationale:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A rural community in Hawaii with high rates of substance abuse, domestic violence, sexual violence, and child abuse and neglect. <p><u>Number of People:</u> 40 individuals</p> <p><u>Outcomes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To train 40 service providers, government and non-government agencies, and first responders on DV/SV 101 and share strategies, programs, and resources. <p><u>Benefit:</u> To build capacity of individuals representing agencies and organizations effective domestic violence and sexual violence primary prevention services in Kau on Hawaii Island.</p>	
DVFR Coordinator Equipment	DVFR Coordinator computer, printer, software and database program, laptop, and other technological needs.	\$7,000
	Projected New Programs Subtotal	\$175,000
	Total DVSA Special Fund Projected Expenditures in FY17	\$470,000