



TASK FORCE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Washoe County Domestic Violence Task Force

NAME: _____

AGENCY: _____

AFFILIATION/TITLE: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

PLEASE INDICATE WHETHER MAILING ADDRESS IS HOME OR AGENCY

PHONE: [WORK] _____ [HOME(optional)] _____

If interested, please select the committee(s) on which you would like to serve (brief committee descriptions attached):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Advocates | <input type="checkbox"/> Intervention and Treatment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education and Prevention | <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Advocacy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fatality Review | <input type="checkbox"/> Prosecution/Law Enforcement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fund Raising | <input type="checkbox"/> Survivors Network |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grants | <input type="checkbox"/> Underserved Populations |

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Domestic Violence is abhorrent and unacceptable, with lifelong consequences which threaten the stability of the family and society, imprinting a message that violent behavior is appropriate. The mission of the Washoe County Task Force on Domestic Violence is to end domestic violence in our community by enhancing the response of community agencies and by addressing the root causes of domestic abuse.

The Goals of the Task Force are to:

1. Coordinate and improve the efforts of various agencies which respond to Domestic Violence;
2. Provide a forum for communication and the exchange of information among these agencies;
3. Identify current methods of dealing with domestic violence and recommend improvements to policy makers including legislators; and
4. Promote public awareness of domestic violence issues.

In attaining these goals, we recognize the importance of input from persons who identify themselves as survivors of domestic violence.

Signature

Date

Please mail completed application to: Washoe County Domestic Violence Task Force on Domestic Violence, P.O. Box 2727, Reno, NV 89505 or call 334-2050 or fax 334-4226 for more information

COMMITTEES

Advocates: Committee will provide support to victim advocates through education, presentations, and services that are available to victims, etc. Collect and distribute old cell phones to victims of crimes.

Education and Prevention: Committee will research, identify and develop educational strategies that will lead to the prevention of domestic violence. May include curriculums for K-12, adult education or development of specialized training programs for target populations.

Fatality Review: Committee will focus on the review of domestic violence fatalities to determine how the community can better respond to domestic violence and prevent such fatalities

Fund Raising: Committee will focus on a variety of ways to raise funds for the Task Force. The ultimate goal is to be able to give assistance to victims for emergency living needs.

Grants: The Committee will focus on determining the format of the grant which will allocate funds to agencies of individuals.

Intervention and Treatment: Committee will identify and develop intervention and treatment programs (physical, emotional & mental) within the community which assist in crisis intervention and long term treatment for families experiencing domestic violence. This committee may address certification and/or standardization of programs as well as developing model programs.

Legal Advocacy: Committee will identify and work toward improving access to civil laws and justice systems which will comprehensively address and protect the legal rights of domestic violence victims. Committee work may include survey of existing programs, laws and development of recommendations for improved access.

Prosecution/Law Enforcement: Committee will focus its efforts on improving and coordinating the response of law enforcement and coordinating the handling of domestic violence cases by prosecutors' offices.

Survivors' Network: Committee will provide support to survivors and ensure survivors' participation in all Task Force Committees. Committee is responsible for managing Domestic Violence Education Program for victims of domestic violence.

Underserved Populations: Committee will focus on the needs of victims in minority and any other underserved population groups in our community and of ways to assist them.