

Maricopa Association of Governments Protocol Evaluation Project



Building Connections to Justice Training Event

Wednesday, October 24, 2012—8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

University of Arizona College of Medicine—Phoenix
550 East Van Buren Street, Phoenix, AZ 85004
Virginia G. Piper Auditorium, Building 2

Join us for the morning session from 8:00 to 11:30 a.m. to hear from national experts and local leaders about the latest innovations in advocacy, law enforcement, and prosecution of domestic violence cases.

The afternoon session from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. will provide a brief summary of the morning session's highlights, followed by discussion to identify improvements that will result in greater victim safety and offender accountability.

The end result of this event will be activities to enhance the region's response to domestic violence through protocols for the criminal justice system.

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8:00-8:30 a.m.	Registration for Morning Session
8:30-8:35 a.m.	Welcome Address Michael Nowakowski, <i>Councilmember, City of Phoenix and Chair, MAG Human Services Coordinating Committee</i>
8:35-9:00 a.m.	Keynote Address: Connecting to Justice
9:00-10:30 a.m.	Building Success (Event attendees will attend only ONE workshop.) Experts will provide information on a range of key issues identified by local survivors, law enforcement, prosecutors, and victim advocates to be critical in pursuing justice in domestic violence. The eight workshops are: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Technology Solutions: Connecting Systems and Improving Outcomes• Calculating Danger: Incorporating Risk Assessments and Tools• Legislating Justice: Imminent Changes in Arizona Law• The Burden of Proof: Strangulation and Suffocation Cases• Building the Case: Witness Intimidation and Forfeiture by Wrongdoing• Working Better Together: Coconino County Coordinated Community Response Team• Putting the Pieces Together: City of Phoenix Police Department and City Prosecutor's Office• Reaching Out to Victims: Crisis Response Teams
10:30-10:35 a.m.	The Importance of a Coordinated Regional Response Marie Lopez Rogers, <i>Mayor, City of Avondale, and Chair, MAG Regional Council</i>
10:35-11:30 a.m.	Report Out Identify highlights from workshops and discuss potential for expanding success.
11:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.	Break for Lunch (On Your Own)
12:30-1:00 p.m.	Registration for Afternoon Session
1:00-1:05 p.m.	Afternoon Welcome
1:05-1:50 p.m.	Panel Presentation: Connecting to Success <i>Advances in Advocacy: Emerging Resources and Approaches</i>
1:50-3:20 p.m.	Building Solutions Experts will provide a brief summary of the morning discussions. The groups will identify improvements that will result in greater victim safety and offender accountability.
3:20-4:20 p.m.	Report Out Identify opportunities to enhance the region's response to domestic violence through the criminal justice system.
4:20-4:30 p.m.	Closing and Next Steps

Building Success Workshops

Technology Solutions: Connecting Systems and Improving Outcomes

Technology is a powerful tool for increasing interconnectedness and communication throughout the criminal justice system. This workshop will identify inter-agency methods for accessing information using technology. These advances will improve outcomes related to the service and enforcement of orders of protection.

Speakers: Chief Steven Campbell, City of El Mirage Police Department and Chief Jerald Monahan, City of Apache Junction Police Department

Calculating Danger: Incorporating Risk Assessments and Tools

Law enforcement officers and victim advocates calculate the level of danger facing the victims seeking help. Risk factors are used to determine the likelihood of lethality in an abusive relationship and used to determine the best option for each victim. This workshop will explore the risk factors of intimate partner homicide and how to gauge the level of risk to ensure each victim's safety.

Speaker: Dr. Neil Websdale, Ph.D., National Domestic Violence Fatality Review Initiative, Northern Arizona University

Legislating Justice: Imminent Changes in Arizona Law

Recent changes to the Arizona Revised Statutes will impact the work of law enforcement, prosecutors and victim advocates in working with victims of domestic violence. This workshop will review imminent changes in Arizona law, including expansion of the Stalking Statute (House Bill 2549), and changes in protections of victim advocates with confidential information (Senate Bill 1369).

Speaker: Shannon Rich, Arizona Coalition Against Domestic Violence

The Burden of Proof: Strangulation and Suffocation Cases

Research has shown strangulation and/or suffocation is a high lethality indicator and often a precursor to homicide. In many instances, this act does not leave immediate signs of physical abuse. This workshop will inform attendees of the effects of strangulation and/or suffocation and the role of forensic exams in gathering evidence used to successfully prosecute the offenders.

Speakers: Cindi Nannetti, Maricopa County Attorney's Office, and Sgt. Patrick Beumler, City of Glendale Police Department

Building the Case: Witness Intimidation and Forfeiture by Wrongdoing

Convincing victims not to participate in the criminal justice process is a common tactic of domestic violence offenders. There are options to pursue justice without requiring involvement of the victims. This workshop will offer attendees the opportunity to learn about case building techniques for successful prosecution of domestic violence cases.

Speaker: Jon Eliason, City of Mesa Prosecutor's Office

Building Success Workshops (continued)

Working Better Together: Coconino County Coordinated Community Response Team

Multi-disciplinary coordinated community response teams come together to share information, leverage resources, and build partnerships with the goal of increasing victim safety. These collaborative efforts are designed at the local level. This workshop will offer the opportunity to learn about best practices and lessons learned from existing teams.

Speakers: Beya Thayer, MSW, Coconino County Coordinated Community Response Team to Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, and Acting Chief Kevin Treadway, City of Flagstaff Police Department

Putting the Pieces Together: City of Phoenix Police Department and City Prosecutor's Office

Successful prosecution of domestic violence cases requires strong working relationships among local law enforcement and prosecutors. Evidence gathered by officers at the scene directly impacts the options for prosecuting the case. This workshop will highlight the insights from the City of Phoenix in its efforts to enhance communication and collaboration between patrol officers, detectives, and city prosecutors to hold more offenders accountable.

Speakers: Sgt. Marc Rivers, City of Phoenix Police Department, and Patricia George, City of Phoenix Prosecutor's Office

Reaching Out to Victims: Crisis Response Teams

Victim advocates serve an important function on domestic violence calls. Crisis response team members are able to provide victims with emotional support and guidance allowing patrol officers to focus on assessing the incident. This workshop will identify how crisis response teams can work collaboratively with law enforcement to ensure victims' needs are met in both urban and rural communities.

Speakers: Kristen Scharlau, Tempe Care 7; Diane Umphress, Amberly's Place; Tori Bourguignon, Amberly's Place

Panel Presentation: Connecting to Success

Advances in Advocacy: Emerging Resources and Approaches

The broad range of needs experienced by victims requires a diverse and customized approach. This panel presentation will offer tools for how best to address the needs of victims in a culturally competent and age appropriate manner. The presentation will explore the unique needs of older adult victims.



Protocol Evaluation Project Training Event Registration

PLEASE COMPLETE ONE FORM FOR EACH PERSON ATTENDING.

Name _____ Title _____

Organization _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Sessions I plan to attend: Morning Session (Workshop) Afternoon Session (Panel) Both

I will need a parking pass: Yes No

Morning Break-out Workshops Attendees will attend only ONE workshop.

Please check 1st and 2nd choices for the morning session.



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Registration and parking for the event are free. Space is limited.

Please send your registration by October 10, 2012, attention Rachel Brito, to fax number 602-254-6490 or e-mail to rbrito@azmag.gov, or mail to: Maricopa Association of Governments, 302 N. 1st Ave, Suite 300, Phoenix, AZ 85003

All participants will be emailed a confirmation form. If you have not received an email confirmation by October 17, 2012, please contact MAG.



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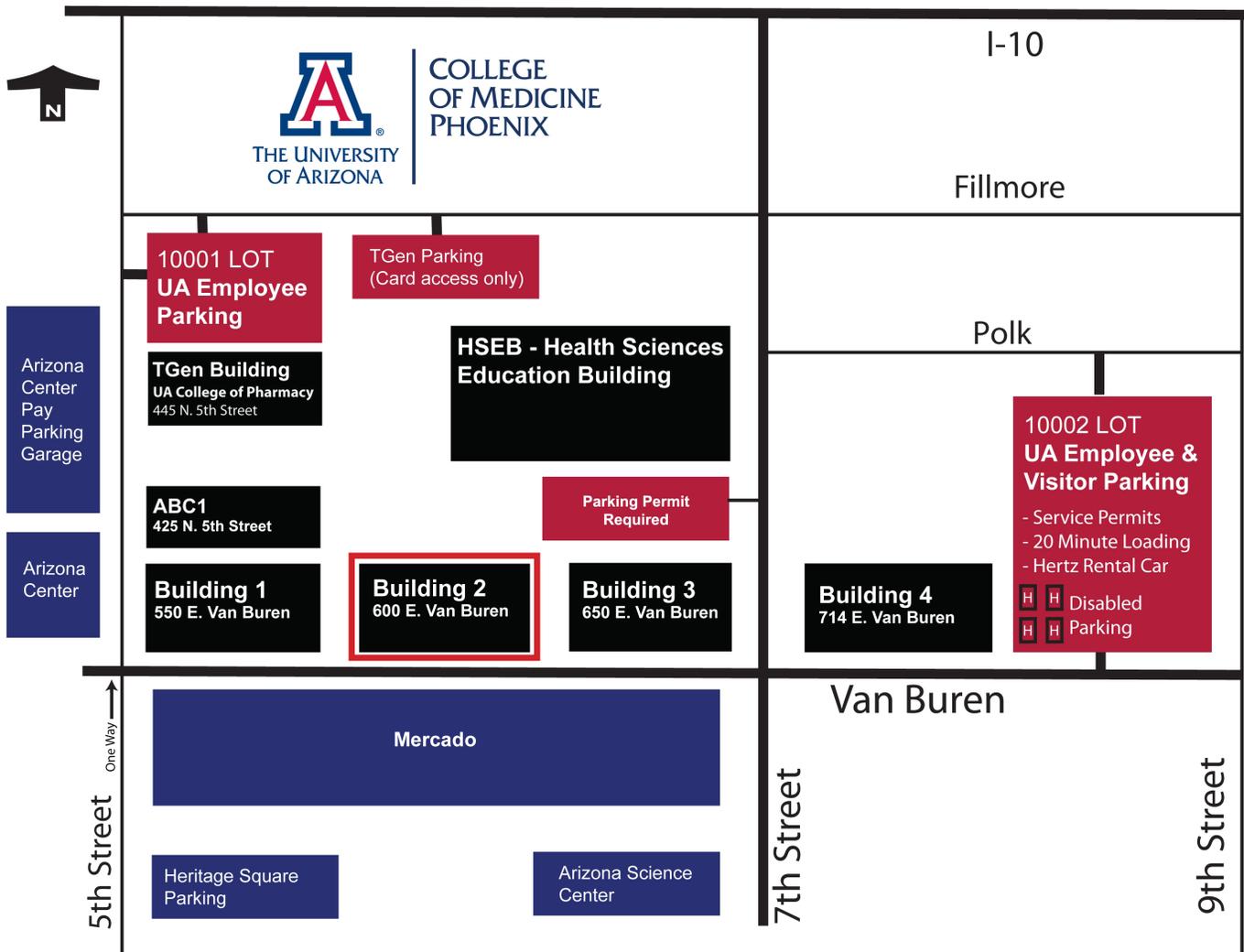
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