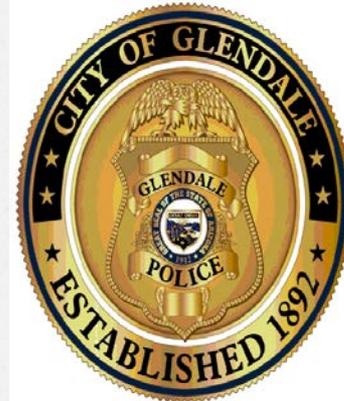


Glendale PD DV Lethality & Coercive Control Assessments



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DV Homicides

- o 2008 - National Coalition Against DV study indicated that 33% of all female homicides nationally were DV related
- o Glendale Homicides
 - o 2011 - 23% domestic violence related
 - o 2012 - 36% domestic violence related

Glendale PD DV Offense Reports and High Lethality Protocol

- o Feb 2013 - Patrol training at briefings by Family Violence Unit personnel on new forms and protocol.
- o March 2013 - All Patrol units trained and forms fully implemented on the street
- o May 2013 - New High Lethality DV Victim Advocate position filled

How it Works

- o Patrol has a DV CFS:
 - o Utilization of the GPD DV Offense Report
 - o Determination of Intimate Partner Violence
 - o Conduct Lethality and Coercive Control Assessments on scene with the victim
- o Copies of assessments are sent to both the IA judge and prosecutor/CA with the booking paperwork for use with determining holds and higher bonds on in-custody abusers

How it Works

- o If the flagging criteria are met :
 - o Follow-up for victim services is conducted by the HLDVVA
 - o Triaged response by FVU detectives within 72 hours of receipt of a case where the suspect is not in custody. (Utilization of Fugitive Unit)
 - o Case coordination with prosecutors and adult probation

Challenges

- o Funding
- o Patrol resistance to change of DV protocol
 - o Time spent on calls
 - o Generation of new reports
- o Court and prosecutor awareness/training
- o Potential victim reprisal for participation

Successes

- **Glendale homicides 2013 – 12% DV related**
- **Vast improvement on quality of domestic violence reports from Patrol**
- **Requests from courts and prosecutors for assessment info now that its available**
- **Victim and officer education on lethality awareness have increased**

Future

- o New Field Based Reporting System will allow for immediate tabulation of assessments and HL notification while on scene with the victim
- o Victim surveys
- o Review of flagging criteria
- o Annual DV lethality training for Patrol
- o Comprehensive study of first full year statistics to look for improvements

Accolades

- o 2014 nomination for the U.S. Department of Justice Victims of Crimes Award for Professional Innovation in Victims Services by:
 - o Bill Montgomery, Maricopa County Attorney
 - o Dr. Neil Websdale, NDVFRI NAU University
 - o Maurine Schat, Northland Family Help Center
 - o Director Allie Bones, Arizona Coalition Against Domestic Violence
 - o Director Lynn Mann, Arizona POST
 - o Chief Kevin Treadway, Flagstaff PD
 - o Rob Walecki, Glendale City Prosecutor