

CVSSD Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

Oregon Department of Justice - CVSSD
Remote meeting
April 9, 2024- 9:00am-10:00am

Committee Members Present: Steve Bellshaw, Amy Benedum, Debra Dority, Sybil Hebb, Barb Palicki, Shannon Rose, Lauri Stewart, Sarah Stewart

CVSSD DOJ Staff Present: Eleana Chase, Marjorie Doran, Mackenzie Gray, Kim Kennedy, Mike Maryanov, Robin Reimer, Twila Rosenberg, Denine Rowe, Maria Ruiz Ceja Shannon Sivell

Committee Members Absent: Ashley Beatty, Allison Cleveland, Kimberly Lane, Justin Nelson, Vanessa Timmons

Welcome and Introductions: Kim welcomed everyone, and each member introduced themselves.

Minutes: The group approved the minutes from August 2023 and November 2023.

CVSSD updates: Kim introduced two new CVSSD fund coordinators Eleana Chase and Twila Rosenberg.

Member Updates: Shannon Rose from the Attorney General's Sexual Assault Task Force (SATF) informed everyone that SATF will be having an in-person Task Force meeting on May 28, 2024. Anyone who would like to participate can RSVP on their website. You can go [here](#) to register.

2024 Legislative Session

CVSSD updated the AC on the 2024 legislative short session.

- HB 4140: DOJ CVSSD will include in its agency budget the costs of continuing state support for Survivor Housing Funds, Oregon Domestic & Sexual Violence Services (ODSVS) Funds, and Children's Advocacy Center Funds (CACF). These have historically been one-time funds.
- SB 1579: Creates a one-time grant fund for Childrens Advocacy Centers (CACs). Half of the funding available for grants will go in equal shares to Children's Advocacy Centers providing services. Any undistributed funds will be distributed to Oregon Child Abuse Solutions for providing or coordinating assistance to the CACs. The other half of funding available for grants will require an application process for the CACs.
- SB 5701: Allocates \$750,000.00 for Oregon Crime Victim Law Center to support victims; \$400,000 for The Sexual Assault Task Force for SANE certification commission; \$2 million dollars for survivor housing funds (one-time); and \$2 million for

ODSVS (one-time). These funds will be distributed as soon as possible after they've been deposited with DOJ.

Bill updates by Sybil Hebb

- HB 4156: Modernizing Oregon's Anti-Stalking Law. The bill ensures that cyberstalking, electronic and internet harassment, and other forms of stalking are included as prohibited behaviors.
- HB 4146: Makes changes to the Unlawful Dissemination of an Intimate Image statute by removing the requirement that a disclosed image be "identifiable". This bill also provides that victims and survivors can now file a restraining order in the county where the abuse took place. The change applies to The Family Abuse Prevention Act (FAPA) order, the Elderly Person and Person with Disabilities Abuse Prevention Act (EPPDAPA) order, and the Sexual Abuse Protective order (SAPO).

2024 Federal VOCA allocation to Oregon

- CVSSD's 2024 VOCA allocation will be 42% percent less than the 2023 award. The 2023 award was \$17.1 Million dollars and the 2024 award is \$9.9 million dollars.
- CVSSD will submit a Policy Option Package (POP) to the legislature in the 2025 session requesting additional funding to replace the loss of funding.
- CVSSD is also working to develop a plan in the event that we don't receive additional funds from the legislature to fill the loss. Over the next several months, CVSSD will engage with the Advisory Committee in the development of this plan. It may require additional meetings in June and August and we're hopeful members will be able to make time in their schedules to participate.

ACTIONS:

- CVSSD will send out a doodle poll to schedule additional meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 9:43am

Next remote meeting: TBD