CVSSD Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Oregon Department of Justice - CVSSD Remote meeting November 28, 2023 - 9:00am-11:00am

Committee Members Present: Ashley Beatty, Steve Bellshaw, Amy Benedum, Debra Dority, Sybil Hebb, Keri Moran- Kuhn, Kimberly Lane, Justin Nelson, Barb Palicki, Shannon Rose, Lauri Stewart, Sarah Stewart

CVSSD DOJ Staff Present: Christine Heyen, Kim Kennedy, Alexxis Robinson-Woods, Maria Ruiz Ceja, Shannon Sivell, Shawna Smith

Committee Members Absent: Allison Cleveland, Vanessa Timmons

Welcome

Kim welcomed everyone and each member introduced themselves.

Minutes

The group went over the minutes from September and approved them.

CVSSD updates

Crime Victim and Survivor Services Division (CVSSD) hired Eleana Chase, a new fund coordinator who just started November 27th.

Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP) Competitive Grant final recommendations

The AC committee approved a recommendation to fund six organizations for the 2024–2025 Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP) funds. This recommendation will be forwarded to the Attorney General for approval. There are \$1,714,435 in SASP funds available. \$21,970 in SASP funds remains after funding awards for these six organizations. CVSSD will invite Tides of Change to accept an additional \$21,970. If any of the recommended organizations declines funding or is not able to accept an award, Call to Safety will be offered an award. Call to Safety would have to modify their project proposal and budget to receive the funds. The recommended grant awards are shown here:

1. Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization - \$285,524 - Types of services: Advocacy services, emergency financial support services, medical and legal accompaniment, system collaboration and outreach, culturally and linguistically specific services.

2. Sexual Assault Support Services - \$422,102 - Types of services: Advocacy services, medical and legal accompaniment, system collaboration and outreach, mental health services.

3. HAVEN from Domestic Violence - \$264,013 - Types of services: Advocacy services, counseling and support groups, emergency financial support services, medical and legal accompaniment.

4. The Harbor, Inc. - \$267,000 - Types of services: Advocacy services, counseling, and support group services.

5. Tides of Change - \$127,360 - Types of services: Counseling and support group services.

6. Clackamas Women's Services - \$326,466 - Types of service: Advocacy services, counseling and support groups, emergency financial support services, medical and legal accompaniment, system collaboration and outreach.

Alternate organization: Call to Safety - Types of service: Advocacy services, emergency financial support services, medical and legal accompaniment, and system collaboration and outreach.

ECO Northwest Report

CVSSD contracted with ECO Northwest in 2023 help CVSSD examine how we might create a more equitable funding distribution structure. At the conclusion of their work, they developed a report that identifies best practices and approaches, incorporates practitioner and community perspectives, and provides quantitative analysis of data. The report is 72 pages long and provides recommendations and ideas that will inform CVSSD decision making moving forward. This report was emailed to Advisory Committee members after the meeting.

Meeting adjourned 10:19am