

OPERATIONAL AGREEMENT

(See Recipient Handbook Section 4000)

This Operational Agreement stands as evidence that the El Dorado County District Attorney (EDCDA) and The Center for Violence Free Relationships (CVFR) intend to work together toward the mutual goal of providing the maximum available assistance for victims of adult sexual assault and domestic violence crimes in El Dorado County. Both agencies believe that the implementation of the Violence Against Women Vertical Prosecution Program application, as describe herein, will further this goal. To this end, each agency agrees to participate in the program, if selected for funding, by coordinating/providing the following services for the period July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2021.

The El Dorado District Attorney (EDCDA) will closely coordinate with The Center for Violence Free Relationships (CVFR) to improve the prosecution of Adult Sexual Assault and Aggravated Domestic Violence crimes by creating a Project team with a reduced caseload that can expeditiously investigate and vertically prosecute cases, reduce trauma to victims and enhance our services to victims.

Specifically,

The El Dorado County District Attorney (EDCDA) agrees to the following:

1. To enforce the laws regarding domestic violence and adult sexual assault in order to protect the victim(s) and to prevent future criminal acts through vigorous early intervention;
2. To provide a designated Deputy District Attorney and District Attorney Investigator to work directly with the Victim Advocate on adult sexual assault and domestic violence cases;
3. To notify CVFR through the Victim Advocate, or as necessary through the 24-hour crisis line, whenever a domestic violence case or adult sexual assault is initiated;
4. To provide effective communication between Project team members;
5. To ensure increased collaboration between Project staff, law enforcement, county agencies, civilian agencies and the CVFR;
6. To engage in collaborative five-part trainings with CVFR; and
7. To establish policies opposing pre-trial release of offenders, reducing delays between arrest and conviction and establishing reduced caseload for Project attorney.

The Center for Violence Free Relationships agrees to the following:

1. To provide one full-time Victim Advocate who meets Evidence Code requirements and will complete the California Crime Victim Assistance

- Association Entry Level Advocate Certification Course to work specifically with the Violence Against Women Vertical Prosecution program;
2. To have a Victim Advocate available 24-hours a day to respond to a victim's need for advocacy and assistance;
 3. To provide early contact and referral of resources to victims by Victim Advocate (within 8 hours);
 4. To provide 24-hour crisis line services, crisis intervention, individual and group counseling, legal assistance, compensation claims assistance, emergency food, clothing, shelter, advocacy and court accompaniment to domestic violence victims and their children and to adult sexual assault victims who request assistance from CVFR;
 5. To ensure increased collaboration between Project staff, law enforcement, county agencies, civilian agencies and the CVFR;
 6. To engage in five-part training with EDCDA, as appropriate; and
 7. To share information regarding domestic violence and sexual assault victims with the EDCDA, if appropriate and if prior written authorization has been obtained from the victim.

The primary contacts for the Operational Agreement are as follows:

County of El Dorado
District Attorney
778 Pacific Street
Placerville, California 95667
Attn: Vern R. Pierson, District Attorney

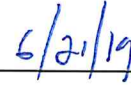
The Center for Violence-Free Relationships
344 Placerville Drive, Suite 11
Placerville, CA 95667
Attn: Matt Huckabay, Director, or Successor

If selected for funding, the El Dorado County District Attorney and The Center for Violence Free Relationships may enter into a contractual agreement identifying the total amount of grant funds to be transferred, the process for transferring the grant funds, detailing what the grant funds may be used for and providing specific information concerning all non-fiscal resources shared between the agencies. The annual not-to-exceed amount of the agreement is estimated to be \$75,920. No matching funds will be used for this transfer of funds.

We, the undersigned, as authorized representatives of the El Dorado County District Attorney and The Center for Violence Free Relationships do hereby approve this document.



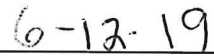
Vernon R. Pierson
District Attorney, El Dorado County



Date



Matt Huckabay
Executive Director, The Center for Violence Free Relationships



Date