# Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault



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## Goals

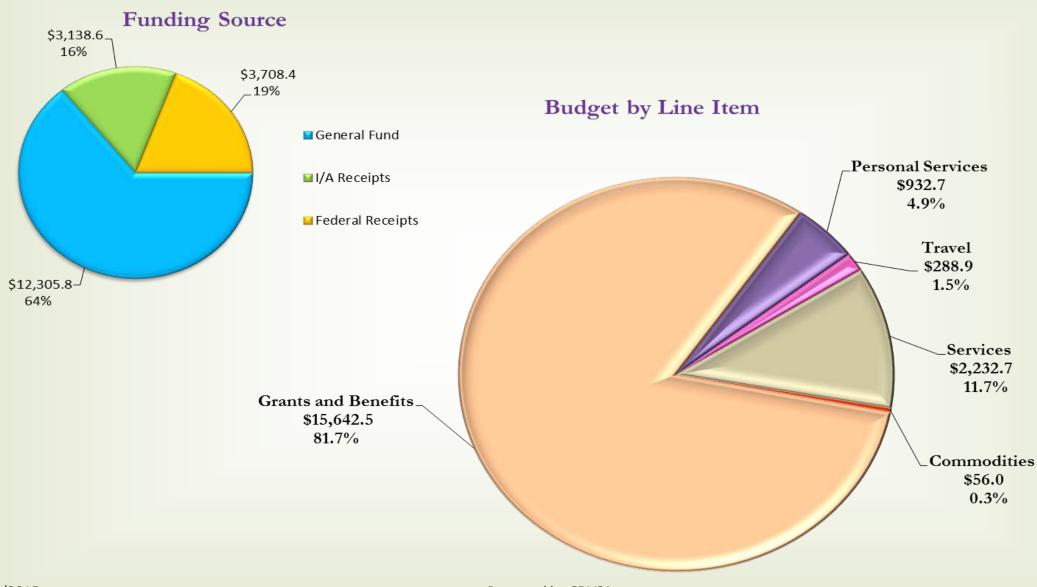


**Establish/Support Community Prevention Efforts** 

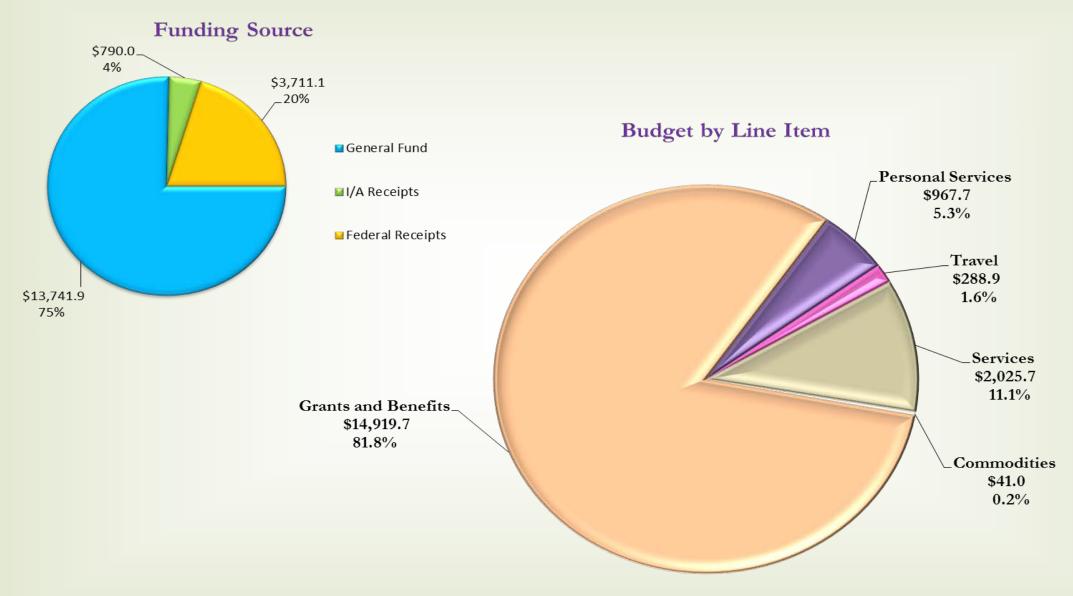
Sustain Victim Services/Increase Victim Safety

CR Domestic Violence Offender Accountability Expanded

### FY2015 BUDGET: \$19,152.8



### **FY2016 BUDGET: \$18,243.0**



# **Budget**

	FY2015		FY2016	
Projects	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Prevention	\$2,551,292	13.3%	\$1,694,292	9.3%
Victim Services	\$13,373,191	69.8%	\$13,373,191	73.3%
Legal Advocacy	\$323,276	1.7%	\$324,000	1.8%
Batterer Intervention	\$384,700	2.0%	\$384,700	2.1%
Evaluation	\$690,000	3.6%	\$250,000	1.4%
Administration	\$1,284,808	6.7%	\$1,446,817	7.9%
LAW	\$177,533	0.9%	\$350,000	1.9%
DPS	\$298,000	1.6%	\$350,000	1.9%
Court System	\$70,000	0.4%	\$70,000	0.4%
TOTALS	\$19,152,800	100.0%	\$18,243,000	100.0%

## **Prevention**



#### **Community Projects**

- 4 Rural Pilot Projects
- □ 4 Regional Programs
- **4 Mini-Grants**

- **Media Campaigns** 
  - When I Am An Elder
  - Alaska Men Choose Respect
  - Help is Available

#### **Statewide Projects**

- 78 Coaching Boys into Men coaches (36 communities)
- Girls on the Run
- **○** COMPASS
- □ LeadOn! For Peace and Equality

## Data Gathering/Evaluation



#### **Alaska Victimization Survey**

- 2010 Statewide
- 2011 Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau, Dillingham
- 2013 Kenai, Ketchikan, Mat-Su
- 2015 Statewide-first comparison year

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- 3-year rigorous evaluation
- Representation of the Promising results:
  - Improved awareness of abusive behavior
  - Reduced acceptance of physical aggression
  - Reduced adherence to rape myths
  - Increased positive social support amount youth with high ACEs scores

# Prevention/Evaluation

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FY2015			FY2016		
Projects	Amount	Percent	Projects	Amount	Percent
10 Communities	\$1,230,00	44%	4 - 6 Communities	\$700,000	46.7%
Statewide Initiatives	\$170,000	6.1%	Statewide Initiatives	\$75,000	5.0%
Public Education	\$647,000	23.1%	Public Education	\$400,000	26.7%
Evaluation – Data Gathering Statewide	\$690,000	24.7%	Evaluation – Data Gathering Statewide	\$250,000	16.7%
Pro-Bono Clearinghouse	\$60,000	2.1%	Pro-Bono Clearinghouse	\$75,000	5.0%
TOTAL	\$2,797,000	100.0%	TOTAL	\$1,500,000	100.0%

Green Dot AK-Anchorage, Bethel, Fairbanks, Homer, Kenai and Prince of Wales

## **Prevention Efforts**

Protective Factors-Sitka

2014: 67 events reached 4,332 people

COMPASS-Anchorage, Ketchikan, Bethel, Napaskiak, Dutch Harbor, Dillingham and Sitka talk now talk often
Parent Engagementstatewide

Community launch: 12, 769 red dots were covered by over 27,082 individual acts of intervention, safety and hope

Resource for adult men working with young men ages 12-18 promotes meaningful conversation to encourage healthy identities, build positive relationships and strengthen communities

"It's great to be able to be a sounding board for your teens if they are concerned about where their dating relationship is going, if they aren't sure what a good relationship is, or if boundaries are getting pushed."

Sitkans Against Family
Violence and the
Sitka Native Education
Program, integrated
cultural programming
into preschool and
kindergarten classes

Results: increased parental and family involvement in student's academic experience and increased sense of cultural pride for students

## **Victim Services**



∇ictim Service Programs:

(funded through Undesignated General Funds, federal Victim of Crime Act (VOCA) and federal Family Violence Prevention Services Act (FVPSA) Council funds are 30-80% of full costs of programs

20 regional programs
6 pilot programs

Sexual Assault Services Program:

Supervised Visitation Safe Exchange Program:

Services\*Training\*Officers\*Prosecutors:

4 regional programs

2 statewide partners

1 regional program

2 state departments, court system, ANDVSA

## **Victim Services**

Regular Victim Services	FY 2015 Amount	Regular Victim Services	FY2016 Amount
UGF	\$10,176,435	UGF	\$10,176,435
VOCA	\$890,000	VOCA	\$923,500
FVPSA	\$957,000	FVPSA	\$923,500
Federal Projects	FY2015 Amount	Federal Projects	FY2016 Amount
SASP	\$161,926	SASP	\$161,926
GTEA	\$106,958	GTEA	\$197,000
SVSEP	\$98,760	Justice for Families	\$24,690
STOP	\$179,072	STOP	\$172,000
TOTAL	\$12,570,151	TOTAL	\$12,579,051

## **Victim Service Data**



- €9,214 persons served
- 98,260 shelter nights (\$79.18 per shelter night)
- 79% female, 17, male, 4% unknown
- 71% adults, 26% children, 3% unknown

- √Volunteers: 2,983 donated
  75,233 hours of service
- **∝** Effectiveness:
  - 87% learn more about resources and how to access them
  - 85% know more or different safety strategies

## **Batterer Intervention Programs**



- 4 are prison-based
  - Lemon Creek-Juneau; Fairbanks Correction Center-Fairbanks; Goose Creek, Palmer Correctional Center-Mat-Su
- **Q11** are community-based
  - Ketchikan Indian Community, Juneau, Kenai, Homer, Anchorage (2), Mat-Su, Fairbanks (2), Barrow, Kodiak

## **Batterer Intervention Programs**

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Project	FY2015 Amount	FY2016 Amount
Community Based	\$200,000	\$200,000
Prison Based	\$106,200	\$106,200

#### DATA: July-December 2014

Participants accepted: 68
Participants Completing Program: 19
Non-compliant: 48
Re-arrested: 9

#### Baseline Data Gathering

The University of Alaska Anchorage Justice Center will gather information describing the program client, client incident, types of services provided and outcomes of the intervention. These analyses will establish baseline information to be used as comparisons in a 4-year follow-up study to see if changes are occurring.

As programs change over the next few years, this analysis would also provide information to examine how these changes in programs and participants explain changes in program outcomes.

## Legal Advocacy



- 350 victims of domestic violence and sexual assault applied for services: 52% were provided legal services, 48% were not
- 280 family law, housing, consumer and other civil legal matters handled for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault by volunteers and staff attorneys (increase over 222 cases in FY 2013)
- 77 volunteer attorneys accepted 71 new cases for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault including domestic violence protection order, custody, divorce and housing matters
- 20 volunteer attorneys staffed the information and referral hotline 24 times, providing brief legal advice to 58 victims

# **Legal Advocacy**

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Projects	FY2015 Amount	FY2016 Amount
Pro-Bono Clearinghouse	\$60,000	\$75,000
Legal Advocacy Project	\$230,300	\$230,300
TOTAL	\$290,300	\$305,300

107 cases were handled by volunteer attorneys equaling approximately \$1.2 million in donated legal services

Average hours donated per case: 30-40

Additionally, seven attorneys donated over 100 hours each

# Services\*Training\*Officers\*Prosecutors (STOP)

Federal Population-based Formula Grant to States authorized in the Violence Against Women's Act and granted through the Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women. Funds through STOP grants are federally divided between four purpose areas (Victim Services, Law Enforcement, Prosecution and the Judiciary) and further designated for specific activities within those areas. The Council is the state administrator of these funds. Alaska receives between \$750.0 -\$825.0 per year.

Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) training

Victim
Witness
Coordinator
and Criminal
Justice
Planner

Language Interpreters for civil and criminal domestic violence/sexual assault cases

Training for prosecutors, paralegals, clerks of court, judicial officers, advocates

Legal Advocacy Project

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LAW	\$177,533	\$350,000	
Court System	\$70,000	\$70,000	
SART	\$60,000	\$60,000	
TOTALS	\$605,533	\$830,000	

## **Capital Items**



# Alaska Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Intervention Program: \$850.0 DGF

- A collaborative effort to reduce domestic violence in Alaska by increasing offender accountability and improving victim safety
- Provides offender bail conditions database
- Provides emergency funds to victims for urgent necessities such as rent, security, transportation, medical care, and relocation
- Anchorage Police Department officers conduct compliance checks and warrant service

# Empowering Choice Housing Program: \$2,000.0 DGF

- Established to replace preference system
- Funds direct from AHFC to landlords in private housing market
- Participants required to pay portion of rent female head of household approx. \$391
- 74% of participants are female heads of households, with 59% of residents being children
  - 24% of children are under 5 years of age

# Questions



