

SB

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SENATOR KIM ELTON

**SB 75 – Sunset Extension for
The Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault**

Sponsor Statement

SB 75 extends the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (CDVSA), which is due to expire June 2007. Housed within The Department of Public Safety, CDVSA plays a vital role in communities across the state, providing “planning and coordination of services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, and crisis intervention and prevention programs”.

CDVSA is focused upon addressing the high rate of domestic violence and sexual assault in the state. Alaska has the highest rate of domestic violence and sexual abuse in the nation, with over 32,000 separate incidents of domestic violence and sexual assault reported in communities across Alaska between 2000 and 2004. During FY 2005, Alaska shelters provided services to 8,793 clients, with 381,729 individual services provided in categories such as childcare, clothing and food, crisis intervention, counseling and personal support, legal advocacy, safety checks, shelter/safe house, and transportation.

SB 75 is a necessary step toward addressing the continued threat of domestic violence and sexual assault, and an important part of increasing the safety and well being of children and families across Alaska. Extending the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault will provide continued program planning and coordination of services for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault who could otherwise lose access to the services they desperately need.

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November 23, 2005

Members of the Legislative Budget
and Audit Committee:

In accordance with the provisions of Title 24 and Title 44 of the Alaska Statutes (sunset legislation), the attached report is submitted for your review.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
COUNCIL ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
AND SEXUAL ASSAULT

November 23, 2005
Audit Control Number
12-20039-06

This audit was conducted as required by AS 44.66.050 and under the authority of AS 24.20.271(1). Alaska Statute 44.66.050(c) lists criteria to be used to assess the demonstrated public need for a given board, commission, agency, or program subject to the sunset review process. Currently under AS 44.66.010(a)(5), the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault is scheduled to terminate on June 30, 2006. The Council would have one year from that date to conclude operations.

In our opinion, the termination date for the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault should be extended. The Council serves a public need and is operating in the public's interest. We recommend that the legislature extend the Council's termination date to June 30, 2014.

The audit was conducted in accordance with generally accepted government audit standards. Fieldwork procedures utilized in the course of developing the findings and discussion presented in this report are discussed in the Objectives, Scope, and Methodology.

Pat Davidson, CPA
Legislative Auditor

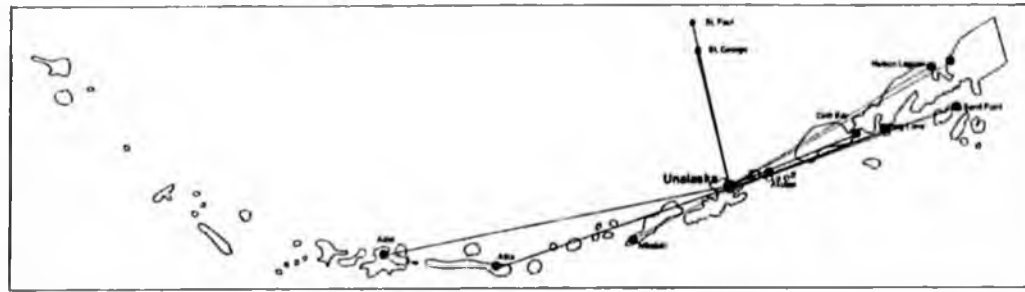
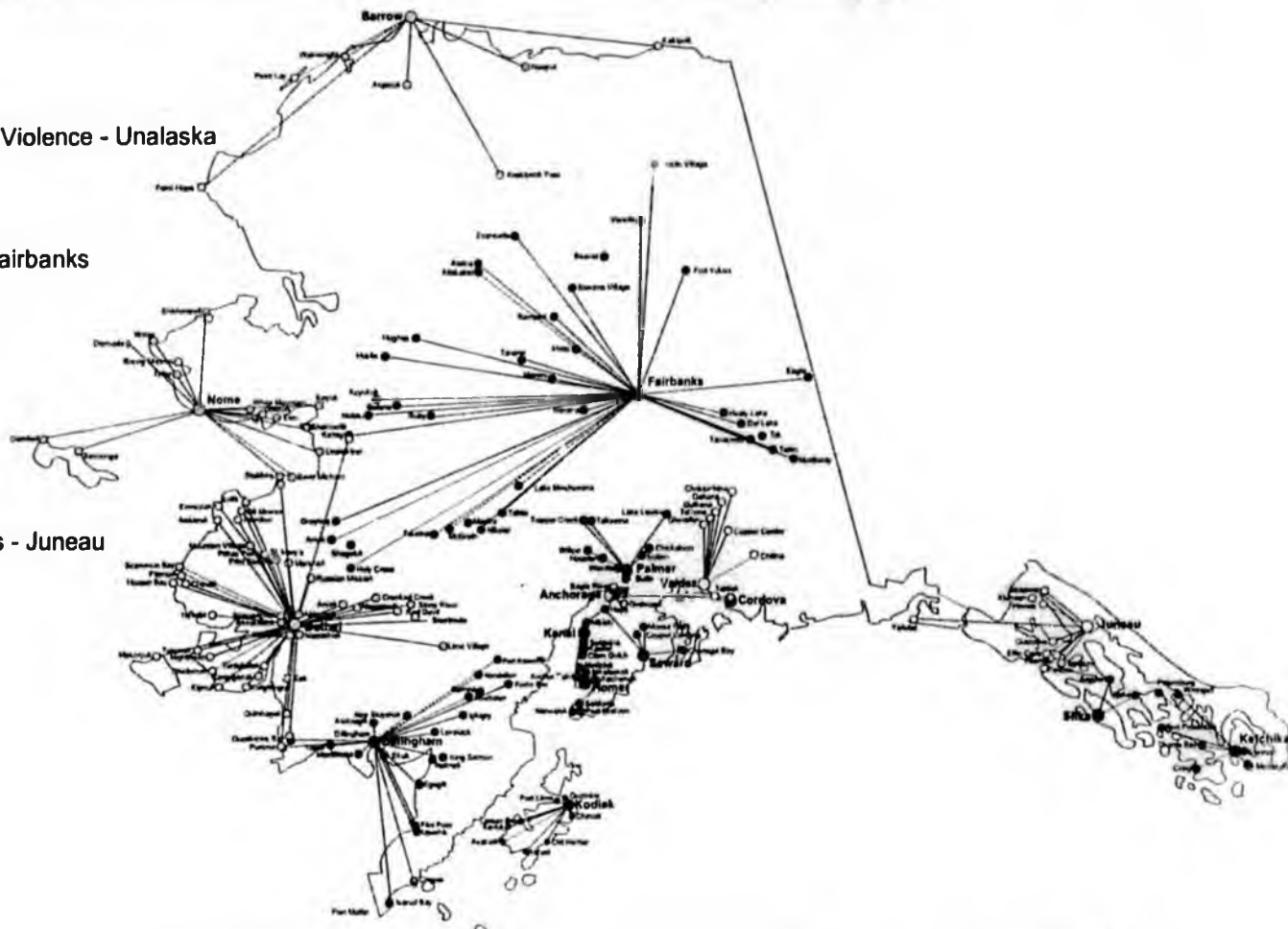
CDVSA Funded Service Provider Catchment Areas Fiscal Year 2006

Shelter Service Providers

- Arctic Women In Crisis - Barrow
- Bering Sea Women's Group - Nome
- Unalaskans Against Sexual Assault and Family Violence - Unalaska
- Tundra Women's Coalition - Bethel
- Seaview Community Services - Seward
- Interior Alaska Center for Non-Violent Living - Fairbanks
- Alaska Family Services - Palmer
- Advocates for Victims of Violence - Valdez
- Safe and Fear-Free Environment - Dillingham
- The LeeShore Center - Kenai
- Women In Safe Homes - Ketchikan
- Abused Women's Aid In Crisis - Anchorage
- Aiding Women in Abuse and Rape Emergencies - Juneau
- Sitkans Against Family Violence - Sitka
- South Peninsula Women's Services - Homer

Other Victim Services Providers

- ★ Standing Together Against Rape - Anchorage
- Cordova Family Resource Center - Cordova
- Victims For Justice - Anchorage



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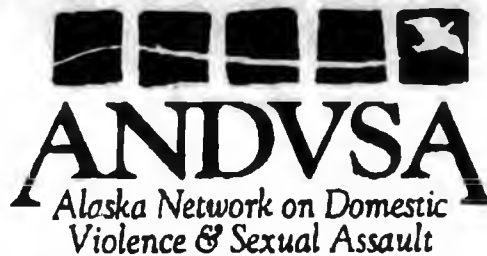
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February 7, 2007

The Honorable Senator Kim Elton
State Capitol Bldg. Room 506
Juneau AK 99801

Dear Senator Elton,

The Alaska Network on Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault (ANDVSA) is a statewide coalition of 19 member shelter and community based programs that provide direct services and advocacy for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. We would like to thank you for introducing Senate Bill 75, "An Act extending the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (CDVSA)". ANDVSA strongly supports the extension of CDVSA in the Department of Public Safety. The "Council" and the "Network" have a long history of working together. Over the last twenty-seven years, we have seen tremendous change in the knowledge, attitudes, beliefs and behaviors of Alaskans around the issue of domestic and sexual violence. We have worked together to coordinate services to victims of domestic and sexual violence; to provide trainings, conference workshops and tribal forums to law enforcement, judicial and medical professionals, tribal organizations, public health professionals and community members. We've collaborated on grants, projects, policies, legislation and systems change. We have a tremendous amount of work ahead of us, and CDVSA is an invaluable partner.

Sincerely,

Peggy Brown
Executive Director

Cc: Chris Ashenbrenner
Executive Director, CDVSA
Janna Stewart
Chair, CDVSA

Member Programs

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Fairbanks IAC Homer SPHH Juneau AWARE Kenai LeeShore Center Ketchikan WISH Kodiak KWRCC
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Senator Kim Elton
State Capital
Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

Dear Senator Elton,

I am sure that you know that Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault continue to be two of the most difficult and prevalent problems Alaska's law enforcement officers deal with on a daily basis.

In Juneau, and towns across Alaska, we unfortunately have a much higher rate of reported sexual assault than do most communities in the rest of the United States. Meanwhile, domestic violence continues to take a tremendous toll on Alaska's families.

The Alaska Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual assault was created to combat these sometimes interrelated issues. It was a good idea. Here in Juneau, the AWARE shelter, partially funded by the council, has performed a critical service for our community's victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. The need for such programs and the council has not diminished. I urge you to support legislation to extend the existence of the CDVSA.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Greg Browning
Chief of Police



The Honorable Senator Kim Elton
State Capitol Bldg., Room 506
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Senator Elton,

Standing Together Against Rape (STAR) is a community based agency which has provided sexual assault advocacy services to victims of sexual assault and their families in the greater Anchorage area for thirty years (30). STAR also provides individual legal advocacy services as well as community education and rural outreach programming. STAR is a member of the statewide coalition, Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (ANDVSA). STAR relies on the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (CDVSA) to maintain necessary funding levels to meet the growing needs in our community.

The CDVSA is an important and vital link to the voices of Alaskans regarding the impact that sexual assault and domestic violence has in our communities. Through our relationship with CDVSA, STAR has been able to strengthen services to victims of sexual assault, increase community awareness, and build stronger relationships with area providers.

On behalf of STAR and the community of Anchorage we thank you for introducing Senate Bill 75, an Act that would extend the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, thus allowing the good work of the Council to continue to serve communities in Alaska.

Respectfully,

Nancy Haag
Executive Director

SITKANS AGAINST FAMILY VIOLENCE

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February 7, 2007

Senator Elton
 Alaska Senate
 State Capitol
 Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Senator Elton:

Please support the bill which extends the sunset of the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. Sitkans Against Family Violence (SAFV) has been working with the Council for more than 20 years. The Council not only provides over half of our funding, they are also at the forefront of State issues around domestic violence and sexual assault. We have teamed up with them on training, federal grant applications, and strategic planning. SAFV also utilizes Council staff for technical assistance. I urge you to support their extension. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Chris Bauman
 Executive Director





To Whom It May Concern,

Please accept this letter of support on behalf of the Abused Women's Aid in Crisis, Inc. (AWAIC) for Senate Bill No. 75.

AWAIC has provided domestic violence services in Anchorage for the past thirty years and 65% of operations are currently financed via federal, state and local grants. AWAIC's main grant is awarded by the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (CDVSA). We are therefore in full support of Senate Bill No. 75 as written.

If I can be of further assistance regarding consideration of this bill please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "J Cordell".

Judy Cordell, M.S., L.P.A.
Executive Director, AWAIC, Inc.

Cc: Senator Elton
ANDVSA



The LeeShore Center

*Services for Victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
Support for the Central Peninsula's Families*

Senator Kim Elton
State Capitol, Room 506
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Senator Elton,

Please support the bill which extends the sunset of the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. The LeeShore Center has been providing emergency shelter, crisis intervention and supportive services for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault for over 20 years. The Council is our agency's main funding source; it's vital they continue to exist.

Sincerely,

Chen Smith
Executive Director
The LeeShore Center

TUNDRA WOMEN'S COALITION

WORKING TOGETHER TOWARD A BRIGHTER FUTURE



Michelle DeWitt
Executive Director
Tundra Women's Coalition
February 7, 2007

Senator Elton
State Capitol, Rm. 506
Juneau, AK 99801

Senator Elton:

Tundra Women's Coalition supports the bill which extends the sunset of the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. TWC has received funding from the CDVSA for more than 20 years. Council funds are critical in providing victim safety for the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta. TWC has also coordinated with CDVSA staff and contractors on a number of educational projects; most recently, a tribal-state forum to discuss violence held last year in our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michelle DeWitt".

Michelle DeWitt

FAX

TO: Senator Kim Eiton, State Capital, Juneau, Alaska
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FROM: Rosie Glorso, Board Member, Unalaskans Against Sexual Assault
and Family Violence
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RE: Please support the bill which extends the sunset of the CDVSA

Dear Senator:

Please support the bill extending the sunset of the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. I am a board member for USAFV, Unalaskans Against Sexual Assault and Family Violence. CDVSA has made a huge and positive difference here in Unalaska. CDVSA is very much needed throughout all of Alaska, and I ask that you please support its continued existence.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration on this important matter.

Sincerely,



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FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2007 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: SB75-DPS-BIP-2-14-07
 Bill Version: SB 75
 () Publish Date: _____

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: Public Safety
 Title "An act extending the Council on Domestic Violence.. RDU Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
 Component Batterers Intervention Program
 Sponsor Senator Elton
 Requester Senate State Affairs Component No. 2241

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims	200.0	200.0	200.0	200.0	200.0	200.0
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	200.0	200.0	200.0	200.0	200.0	200.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()						
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	200.0	200.0	200.0	200.0	200.0	200.0
1007 I/A Receipts						
1171 PFD Crim						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	200.0	200.0	200.0	200.0	200.0	200.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2007) cost: 0.0

Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2008 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This bill extends the termination date of the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault to June 30, 2011.

Prepared by: Chris Ashenbrenner, Interim Program Administrator Phone 465-5504
 Division: Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Date/Time 2/14/2007 4:00PM
 Approved by: Commissioner Walt Monegan Date 2/14/2007
 Agency: Department of Public Safety

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2007 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

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 Title *An act extending the Council on Domestic Violence.. RDU Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
 Component CDVSA
 Sponsor Senator Elton
 Requester Senate State Affairs Component No. 521

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
Personal Services	698.2	698.2	698.2	698.2	698.2	698.2
Travel	83.5	83.5	83.5	83.5	83.5	83.5
Contractual	939.2	939.2	939.2	939.2	939.2	939.2
Supplies	12.3	12.3	12.3	12.3	12.3	12.3
Equipment	16.2	16.2	16.2	16.2	16.2	16.2
Land & Structures	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Grants & Claims	8,877.6	8,877.6	8,877.6	8,877.6	8,877.6	8,877.6
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	10,627.0	10,627.0	10,627.0	10,627.0	10,627.0	10,627.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()						
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts	3,467.9	3,467.9	3,467.9	3,467.9	3,467.9	3,467.9
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	2,544.8	2,544.8	2,544.8	2,544.8	2,544.8	2,544.8
1007 I/A Receipts	824.7	824.7	824.7	824.7	824.7	824.7
1171 PFD Crim	3,789.6	3,789.6	3,789.6	3,789.6	3,789.6	3,789.6
Other (Specify Type—Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	10,627.0	10,627.0	10,627.0	10,627.0	10,627.0	10,627.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2007) cost: 0.0
 Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2008 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time	8	8	8	8	8	8
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

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