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## **Quarterly Report to Public Safety Committee**

### **First Quarter**

**January 1 – March 31, 2002**

#### **I. Community Education and Training**

- Statewide workshop for RNs, psychologists & social workers: "Domestic Violence and Child Maltreatment: Assessing Families"
- Presentation to UW-Milwaukee Women's Studies Class
- Presentation at vigil for domestic violence murder victim in Waukesha
- Annual airing of Commission-sponsored public service announcement on domestic violence

#### **II. Special Projects and Programs**

- COORDINATED COMMUNITY RESPONSE (CCR) PROGRAM COORDINATOR HIRED
- Continued collaboration with the Wisconsin Humane Society on October Conference re: Correlation Between Violence Against Animals and Domestic Violence
- Staff collection of data/collaboration with MHD IT Department on development of a comprehensive Commission website
- Began work on committee to develop advocacy model for advocate position in MPS Family Violence Unit
- Conducted two mini-retreats on collaboration with Judicial Oversight Initiative and how to enable its survival after OJA budget cuts
- Began planning for May 10 strategic planning retreat for full CCR membership
- Continued technical assistance
- Continued work with victims/systems on complex domestic violence and sexual assault cases

- Began work with Task Force on Domestic Violence in the LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender) Population
- LGBT position approved for the Commission
- Judiciary position approved for the commission
- Began working on Dinner/Dialogue Program with members of the American Indian Task Force
- Began work on Sexual Assault Awareness Month (April) conference on statutory rape

### **III. Executive Committee**

- Worked in collaboration with staff and consultant on application for continued funding from the Violence Against Women Act and the Office of Justice Assistance
- Conducted meetings with staff, consultant and CCR Subcommittee Chairs to discuss individual goals for the year
- Continued monitoring and responding to legislation pertinent to domestic violence, sexual assault and related topics

### **IV. Commission Sub-committee Activities** (most subcommittees began meeting in February)

- Chairs and facilitators selected for next 1-2 years
- Meetings held with Staff and Consultant to prioritize goals for the next year
- Began strategic planning for the next year in preparation for the May 10 retreat.

#### **Active sub-committees:**

Criminal and Civil Justice Coordination  
 Education and Training  
 Cultural Competence and Underserved Populations  
 Victim Advisory Committee  
 CCR Committee on Sexual Assault  
 American Indian Task Force  
 Asian American Task Force  
 LBGT Task Force

**V. Outside Community Affiliations**

- **Judicial Oversight Initiative**
- **Chai Jewish Coalition on Domestic Violence**
- **Latina Resource Center**
- **Wings of Faith Ministries**
- **Wisconsin Humane Society**
- **Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence**
- **Wisconsin Coalition Against Sexual Assault**