Law Enforcement-Based Victim Services Program

Building Effective Partnerships
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Objectives

• Demonstrate knowledge of key components for developing and strengthening strategic partnerships, both internal and external.

• Prepare for application of key components of partnering to jurisdiction and development of formal agreements (both internal and external).

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Partnerships & Collaboration
Effective partnerships are essential for...

- Victims
- Communities
- Community Partner Agencies
- Law Enforcement
Elements of Strong Partnerships

• Understanding each other’s work

• Setting and meeting expectations

• Communicating clearly and regularly
Elements of Strong Partnerships

- Sharing information
- Engaging in joint training and networking opportunities
Elements of Strong Partnerships

• Reciprocating efforts

• Formalizing partnership agreements
Getting Started

- Victims’ rights
- Victim intersection points
- Non-traditional partners
Partnering Opportunities
Internal Partners

• Cross-training
  • Mutual awareness of roles
  • Policy development

• Across ranks and disciplines
Moderated Guest Discussion

• What do internal partnerships look like at PCSO?

• How have these partnerships benefited victims and the agency?
External Partners

- Collaboration & Cross-training

- Across levels of staffing
Moderated Guest Discussion

• What do external partnerships look like at JCSO?

• How have these partnerships benefited victims and the agency?

Wanda Miller
Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office
Formal Agreements

- Informal to Formal
- Shared Language
- Training
- Consistency
- Clearly Defined Roles & Responsibilities
Putting it into Practice
Scenario

Carlos Baldwin is the Executive Director of Immigration Legal Services Center (ILSC) which partners with local churches and the broader community to provide affordable, high-quality legal services to immigrants in three adjacent counties. These services are aimed at helping foreign-born members of the community navigate the complexities of immigration processes.

During a recent staff meeting at ILSC, Khamisi Lewis, who is the Legal Services Program Manager, was asked to provide an overview of all services for two newly hired staff members. She reviewed citizenship requirements, Temporary Protected Status, Lawful Permanent Residence, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, and victim-based immigration services. During the discussion on victim-based immigration services, Carlos inquired about the certification process for U-Visa applications and asked for additional details.
Scenario

Khamisi provided her typical process for obtaining required law enforcement certification forms after completing initial consultations with clients. Contact with multiple law enforcement agencies, contact with multiple personnel in each agency, and time frames related to requests were reviewed. Khamisi expressed a desire to improve the consultation process to produce more accurate information. Khamisi also advised she had contacted two other local non-profit agencies who provide comparable services for U-Visa applications and they both reported similar information related to law enforcement certifications.

Khamisi contacted you (VS supervisor) and expressed an interest in formalizing a partnership with your agency, as it is the originating agency for a significant number of U-Visa applications in the ILSC service area.
Breakout Activity

As you enter breakout sessions, consider the following:

• *What internal and external partnerships will need to be developed?*

• *How will victims, community partner agencies, law enforcement agencies, law enforcement-based victim services, and the broader community benefit from the partnerships?*
Reminders

Quarterly Meeting
Topic: *Building Partnerships* Application
- TA Track 1: Thur, Aug 6
- TA Track 3: Wed, Aug 5

Sworn Personnel Virtual Training
Topic: *Agency Incorporation of Victim Services*
Date: Wed, Sept 23
Questions?