



**Governor's Council on Domestic Abuse
Open Meeting Notice**

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Madison, WI 53703**

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door 11. If an elevator is needed, use door 77 to the second floor)**

Wednesday, July 12, 2023
9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Zoom Meeting ID: 897 1513 5352
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AGENDA

- 9:00 a.m. Call to Order, Welcome, and Introductions**
- 9:15 a.m. Review and Approval of Past Minutes**
- 9:20 a.m. Presentation: Teresa Nienow, Director of Grant Programs & Training
State of Wisconsin Department of Justice, Office of Crime Victim
Services (OCVS)**
OCVS is in the process of planning for the 2024 VOCA competitive grant solicitation. Federal VOCA award allocations have reduced significantly since 2018, which will have a serious, wide-spread impact on victim services in Wisconsin in 2024. She will share an overview of Wisconsin's VOCA funding levels over the past several years and predictions for the future.
- 9:45 a.m. Legislative Update – End Abuse to provide legislative update**
- 10:00 a.m. Committee Reports – Verbal summary of activities that occurred
between February and April Council Meetings.**

Access Committee: Co-Chair, Melissa Baldauf
Budget Committee: Co-Chair, Sue Sippel
Legislative & Policy Committee: Co-Chair, Alena Taylor

- 10:45 a.m. Break**
- 11:00 a.m. Presentation: Monique Minkens, Executive Director
End Domestic Abuse Wisconsin**
End Abuse contracted with three individuals to conduct focus groups with programs serving rural communities around the state. The goal of the



focus groups was to gather information to assist End Abuse in delivering optimal service and advocacy to the rural communities and to share the information with partners and funders. Observations, themes and plans for next steps will be shared.

- 11:30 a.m. Discussion of the Governor’s Council 2023 Awards for Outstanding Achievement in Domestic Abuse Issues**
- 11:40 a.m. DCF Domestic Abuse Grant Program Update – Stacey Cicero**
- 11:45 a.m. Open Forum for Council Members**
- 12:00 p.m. Public Comments**
- 12:15 p.m. Concluding Remarks**

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