



**COUNTY OF SAN MATEO**  
**Inter-Departmental Correspondence**  
**Employee and Public Services Department**

**DATE:** April 13, 2004

**BOARD MEETING DATE:** May 11, 2004

**TO:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Supervisor Rose Jacobs Gibson *RJG*  
Domestic Violence Council of San Mateo County

**SUBJECT:** The 2004, 2005 & 2006 Action Plan for the Domestic Violence Council

**Recommendation**

Approve the 2004, 2005 & 2006 Action Plan for the Domestic Violence Council

**Background**

On October 6, 1998, the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors approved the establishment of a Domestic Violence Council. The establishment of the Council was recommended by the Task Force on Violence Against Women. This Task Force, chaired by Supervisor Rich Gordon and Marcy Cisneros, published their final report in October 1998. This report made numerous recommendations, including the formation of the Domestic Violence Council.

The Council is comprised of representatives from the following: Board of Supervisors; Superior Court; Sheriff's Office; District Attorney's Office; County Office of Education; Probation Department; Health Services; Human Services; Council of Cities; Police Chiefs' Association; Commission on the Status of Women; a non-profit agency serving battered women; an agency providing treatment to batterers; a non-profit agency providing legal services to battered women and four individuals representing the community at large. Full membership occurred in 1999.

In July of 2003 the Council began a process to identify activities it would undertake in the next three years to reduce the occurrence and impact of domestic violence.

### **Discussion**

The proposed 2004, 2005 & 2006 Action Plan describes the Council's:

- Vision Statement
- Mission Statement
- Areas of Focus
- Accomplishments for 2001- 2003
- Future Actions for 2004, 2005 and 2006

The Action Plan also identifies current chairs, purpose statements, accomplishments and action plans for the Children-Multicultural-Education, Legal Process, Legislative, and Death Review committees.

### **Vision Alignment**

The report keeps the goal of ensuring basic health and safety for all and commitments #6: Children grow up healthy in safe and supportive homes and neighborhoods and #7: Maintain and enhance the public safety of all residents and visitors.

### **Fiscal Impact**

There is no direct fiscal impact associated with this plan. If any action would require additional funding the Council would request those funds under a separate action from the Board of Supervisors.