



Village of Los Lunas, Valencia County DWI PROGRAM

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DWI PLANNING COUNCIL MEETING

March 12, 2025, 12:05 pm

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS' PRESENT:

Catalina Nunez, Valencia Shelter Services	Carol Claus, Community Wellness Council (CWC)
Pamela Skinner, Community Wellness Council (CWC)	Victoria Flores, YDI, Teen Court
Esther Padilla, NMSP	Karyn Sullivan, Department of Health
Ryan Gray, Los Lunas Police Department	Mike Milam, Valencia County Clerk

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Katrina Fuller, Ideal Option	Stephanie Wood, Valencia Shelter Service
Chelsey Meyer, MADD	Marisha Maez, Valencia County Mag. DWI Drug Court

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP:

Ginny Adame- VLL VC DWI	Pamela Tonkinson-Saiz, District Attorney's Office
Michelle Gonzales- VLL VC DWI	Fred Duran-Sgt, Bosque Farms PD
Tanya Trombley, NM State Police Advocate	Angela Ramirez- VLL VC DWI
Lori Kurtz- VLL VC DWI	Christopher Green-District Attorney's Office
Natalie Duran, District Attorney's Office	JoAnn Griego- Presbyterian Health Service
Cheryl Luna-VLL VC DWI	Kayla Galvan-Valencia Shelter Service
Isaac Maes-Isleta PD	Rachael Baca-Valencia Shelter Service
Majid Gayles, NM State Police	

Chair Catalina Nunez opened the meeting at 12:03pm, with a full quorum. Self-introductions.

Review of agenda. Motion to approve the agenda was moved by Carol Claus, 2nd by Karyn Sullivan. No discussion. All in Favor. Approved.

Review and approval of December 11, 2024, minutes. Motion to approve the minutes was moved by Ryan Gray, 2nd by Esther Padilla. No discussion. All in Favor. Approved.

New Business:

A. VSS SANE Dept Overview: Kayla Galvan, SANE Coordinator and Rachel Baca, SANE/Prevention Advocate

- SANE conducts exams after sexual and domestic violence occur.
- They are open Monday through Friday, 7:00 AM- 7:00 PM.
- The Forensic exams include photos, physical exams and DNA collections. Evidence is kept for 2 years.
- Calls can come in on their 24/7 hotline, their main office or walk-ins.
- Evidence collection has a time frame depending on the age of the victim. Anyone under 13 years of age has a 3-day time frame for collection and anyone older than 13 years or older, there is a 5-day time frame.
- VSS SANE does conduct strangulation exams, but they are sent to the ER for internal injuries and then released.
- VSS provides resources and referrals to programs after their exams.





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- VSS has a new Prevention program: How do we prevent individuals from becoming survivors?
 - Early Intervention
 - Intimate Partner
 - Attending training courses
 - Raise awareness
 - Working w/DOH
 - Education
- PREA was entered into law 2001 to end sexual harassment in jails or prisons. Reports come in from the hotline, emails and phone calls.
- Since October 2024, VSS has conducted 13 exams, 6 of them in 2025, 1 PREA, 3 pediatric exams, 1 DV exam and 4 exams w/strangulation.
- Walk-ins welcome/no referrals needed .
- Anyone under 13 years of age is referred to Para Los Ninos after their exam at SANE for a follow-up.

B. 2025 Legislative Update-Ms. Ginny Adame

- HOUSE BILL 417: Key Points: (1) ninety-four percent to the local alcohol harms alleviation fund; and (2) six percent to the drug court fund. B. A distribution pursuant to Section 7-1-6.1 NMSA 1978 shall be made to the tribal alcohol harms alleviation fund in an amount equal to the net receipts attributable to the liquor excise surtax." A distribution pursuant to Section 7-1-6.1 NMSA 1978 shall be made to the tribal alcohol harms alleviation fund in an amount equal to the net receipts attributable to the liquor excise surtax.
- SENATE BILL 431: INTRODUCED BY Antoinette Sedillo Lopez and Shannon D. Pinto and Joanne J. Ferry. (duplicate bill to HB417).
- HOUSE BILL 460 INTRODUCED BY John Block 'AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION; REPEALING THE LIQUOR EXCISE TAX ACT, THE DISTRIBUTIONS OF THE LIQUOR EXCISE TAX AND THE LOCAL DWI GRANT PROGRAM ACT; MAKING CONFORMING AND TECHNICAL CHANGES.' It Would have done away with alcohol excise taxes and therefore, the funding for the LDWI programs. Luckily it was tabled and didn't gain any support
- SB199: INTRODUCED BY Leo Jaramillo AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOL; INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF THE LOCAL DWI GRANT FUND THAT MAY BE USED FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE LOCAL DWI GRANT PROGRAM. Drafted by DFA to increase the amount of administrative funds that will better staff the bureau and allow for additional resources for evaluation and technical support. If it passes and becomes law, it will also impact the distribution estimate. Each county's FY26 distribution estimate would be reduced by approximately 2% up to 5%.
 - DWI Programs could request the funding needed through the DWI Competitive Grant—notice for this came a bit late to include in this year's application.
 - Due to unspent funding in prior years, there is fund balance available that can be awarded by the DWI Grant Council for Grant applications that justify the need and receive a high ranking based upon the review criteria.

Ms. Ginny updated us on the FY26 Grant application distribution amount prior to SB199:

- In FY25 our Distribution estimate is: \$473,352.00 and for FY26 the Distribution estimate came in at: \$444,815.00 which was a difference of: \$28,537.00 and then decreased even further to: \$439,423.00 which is: \$33,929.00 between FY25 and FY26.





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- Additionally, if SB199 passes, which it is anticipated to, then each program will see an additional 2-5% reduction in the Distribution expense to pay for the increased funds to support SB 199. This would mean a \$8,788.00 cut at the 2% range up to \$21,971.00 at the 5% range which would require substantial program cuts. In FY25 our DWI Program was successful in our Competitive Grant application request of \$209,859.00 to sheer up our FY25 budget and we even put in an additional \$40,000.00 to support Valencia Shelter Services and \$9,100.00 to support Teen Court. For FY26 our program applied for \$270,197.00 which is \$60,338.00 more than FY25's Competitive Grant Request and this was prior to considering the potential passage of SB199 that could require sheering up to \$21,971.00 at the 5% rate.
- The Competitive Grant is the sole source of funds for the entire Treatment Program and since FY25, the funds for Law Enforcement operations. Until the past 3 fiscal years, our budget had at least been flat or increased slightly from year to year. With the trend for the past 3 fiscal years with declining funding available for the LDWI Programs across the state and with an increase competition for the competitive grant funds, our program will do our best to keep our program whole. We did request additional funding for Law Enforcement and VSS and Teen Court; however, we won't know until we get notice from DFA regarding our competitive grant application in April what our program will be able to keep funded.

Ongoing Updates

a. District Attorney's Office- Natalie Duran

- Natalie Duran stated they have a new ADA, Carson Smith and another ADA in training.
- Their office is working on keeping up with open communication and meetings with law enforcement.
- Natalie Duran reported that they want to continue to work with law enforcement on trainings, specifically report writing.

b. Treatment- Angela Ramirez

- Treatment stopped accepting new clients the second week of January. The new referrals we did have we began referring to the Compliance Officers for referrals to other agencies. The Spanish speaking clients were referred to Heart & Soul in Belen for services.
- December 11, 2024-March 12, 2025
 - 12 new referrals and 22 total clients
 - Referred: 12 (LL-7, Belen-4, Farmington-1, San Miguel City-1)
 - Successful Discharge: 20
 - Unsuccessful Discharge 10
 - No treatment required 5
 - Referred to other agencies 10
- Successes
 - The transition period went smoother than expected after Ms. Joann retired on February 13, 2025, and they began accepting new referrals, even though it is a limited number, on February 24, 2015
 - Due to Ms. Angela's licensure, she is required to have supervision and Ms. Foster of Heart and Soul has offered to be her supervisor. The meetings with her are terrific.
- Challenges
 - The hiring of a qualified LADAC has been a challenge.
 - The flu/covid viruses have been a challenge for our small team.





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c. Drug Court- No one present, no report was given.

d. Local/State Law Enforcement: Sgt Fred Duran w/BFPD

- They have a new intoxilyzer and they are waiting for the solution.
- Their Grant was approved, and they are working on DWI stings.
- A big thanks to ADA for keeping someone with a 6th DWI in jail .

Los Lunas Police Department- Ryan Gray

- They have a new intoxilyzer and they are waiting for the solution.
- He reports there is a negative look on the DWI Community.
- Sgt Duran is assisting in teaching at the Academy.
- Sgt. Gray and Charlie Files are teaching at the CNM Academy.
- Their DRE was forced to resign but another DRE application has been submitted.
- Brandon Lujan is now with the Los Lunas Police Department and will be apart their DWI unit.

Isleta Police Department- Isaac Maes

- They have seen an increase in violent crimes.
- He thanked Los Lunas Police Department and Bosque Farms for letting them borrow their equipment.

State Police- Agent Majid Gayles

- Their department had a training last Friday with other law enforcement agencies in Valencia County.
- They hope to continue having training once or twice a year.
- Law Enforcement update on underage enforcement:
 - What laws can they enforce within liquor establishments?
 - 18 establishments were hit
 - Allsup's in Rio Communities sold to an underage individual.
 - 1 physical arrest was made for Criminal Trespass.
 - A criminal complaint was received at the "Hot Spot"
 - An establishment sold tobacco to minors-Citation was given.
 - The Speedway in Peralta was given an Administrative Citation for not having proper paperwork available.

e. Valencia Shelter Services- Catalina Nunez

- FPI class- There are 24 total, 18 males and 6 females.
- There are 2 male groups every week and 1 female group 1 x week.
- There were 7 graduates, 6 males, 1 female
- One of their clients opened a food truck, became a mentor and started a podcast.
- There were 3 clients discharged unsuccessfully, 2 males and 1 female.
- Their program is still growing! They have received funding to purchase a piece of property for a new shelter. Everything they offer will be under one roof!

f. Teen Court/YDI- Victoria Flores

- They lost 1 teen attorney and currently have 14 teen attorneys in their program.
- Training for new teen attorneys on Thursdays.





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- They received 4 new referrals from JPO.
- There is a Teen Court conference June 6th & 7th.
- Funds through MADD, to help with food and various other items needed, were unable to be obtained.
- Teen Court has a trial on March 27th, from 5:30-7:30 at Los Lunas Magistrate Court in Judge Sichler's court room.

g. Prevention and Enforcement- Ms. Ginny Adame

Enforcement

- Working Together on Issues around DWI in Valencia County Bi-Annual meeting will be taking place here at the Wellness Center on: **April 11, 2025, from 11:30pm-1:30pm** follow up steps from the October 31st meeting will be continued.
- Since the last DWI PC meeting in December 2024, the following operations have taken place: 1/16/24 Saturation Patrol with (6) Speeding, (8) No/Expired Registrations, (9) No/Expired Insurance, (3) Driving without a Driver's License, (2) No Seatbelt, and (9) Other citations. This quarter so far there has been a New Mexico Liquor Law Update & Underage Alcohol Enforcement training that took place on Friday March 7th. There was participation from: Belen PD, Bosque Farms PD, Los Lunas PD, and Valencia Sheriff's department for a total of (19) total along with the (4) SIU trainers/agents and (4) Minors which produced: 1 Warrant Arrest, (1) sales to a minor at a Vape Shop and there was only (1) sales of alcohol to a minor during this compliance operation.

Prevention

- On Monday, March 10th our program had (7) youths complete the 10-week Youth Success Core and successfully graduate the program.
- Post Prom safe and sober movie events sponsored by the DWI program and YDI Valencia. We will have (2) events 4/12 for BHS and LLHS and 4/26 for VHS and SODA. The Underage Drinking taskforce will be out for those events from 7:00pm-3:00am and help chaperone the movie events from midnight on as long as they are not out on party calls.
- The Community Wellness Council will be hosting a listening session in partnership with UNM School of Medicine State Injury Prevention Program here at the DWI Program location on April 10th from 11:00am-1:00pm with lunch provided for participants. There will be a 25-participant cap, and we will be focusing on those that work on injury and violence prevention upstream factors to include Early Childhood Education providers, DV/SA advocates, Youth service providers, and our Emergency Responders.

h. Compliance- Ms. Lori Kurtz

- There are 195 active clients (17 pending intakes and 36 are under warrant).
- All of Compliance attended DWI Day at the Roundhouse.
- Compliance had an Ad-Hoc Committee meeting in Silver City (Grant County). There were 29 CCOs representing 14 counties and 6 guests.
- After the Ad-Hoc Committee a Mental Health First Aid Training was held. There were 9 CCOs representing 5 counties.
- Our Program continues to participate with the RNR but only out of Judge Tafoya's Courtroom.





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i. Open Discussion

- The Community Wellness Council (CWC) will host Together for Success 100% Community at the UNM-Valencia Campus on March 27, 2025.

Ms. Carol Claus motioned to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 1:15pm.

MINUTES ARE IN DRAFT FORM AND ARE NOT OFFICIAL UNTIL THEY ARE APPROVED BY THE DWI PLANNING COUNCIL.

Reviewed and approved by DWI Planning Council:

Dated: _____





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