



Law Enforcement Role in the FJC / Co-Location Model



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Critical Role of Police in the FJC


In any co-location model, Public Safety should be the #1 priority

If the victims' safety is in question, none of the other services are meaningful, nor can they be effective

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Critical Role of Police in the FJC Model

Any comprehensive approach to combating family violence should include law enforcement and prosecution



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- Demonstrates to the victim, and the suspect, that these crimes will bring swift response and significant consequences

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Enhances the Overall Mission

- Arrest / Prosecution are not the complete solution, but usually play pivotal role in ultimately breaking the cycle of violence
- Having police in the same building provides other partners a vital tool in ensuring the victim's immediate safety
- Dialogue / Interaction / Discussion / Solution



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Benefits to Law Enforcement

- Better Statements
- Reduces Recanting
- Higher filing rate
- More felonies



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How does it work in Anaheim?

- Access to detective assigned to their cases
- Safe / Secure location
- Access to prosecutors
- Ex Parte protective orders / TRO's
- Full array of services
- Long-term healing & support (Survivor's Academy)

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APD in the AFJC: Working hand-in-hand with our on-site partners to Stop the Cycle

Child Abuse

Sexual Assault

Elder Abuse


Domestic Violence

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Team Approach

- All the Specialists in one building
- Focusing on the client
- Realizing and Understanding each client's needs are unique

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Challenges

- Off – Site: Can prove challenging for officers, detectives, supervision
- Cost: connectivity / technology, physical layout, maintenance, utilities
- Turf Issues



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Partner Agencies at the AFJC

- Anaheim Police Department
- Anaheim City Attorney
- OC District Attorney
- Probation
- Child/Family Services
- Adult Protective Services
- CSP Victim/Witness
- Financial Aid Services (Cal Works)
- Victim Advocates
- Women's Transitional Living Center
- Additional Shelters
- Human Options
- Chapman University Law School – Legal Aid
- Temporary Restraining Order Services
- Faith Community; Chaplains




Site Security

- The FJC doesn't look or feel like a police station
- However, it must be a place where clients feel safe and secure
- Having Law Enforcement on-site enhances that through their presence, their procedures and the physical structure(s) they put in place










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AFJC Foundation


- Established in 2006
- 2009-Hired Kerith Dilley as Executive Director
- Provide direct victim assistance to “fill the gaps.”
- Survivor’s Academy
- Public Awareness / Community Support



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Class #1 - First Graduating Class
Survivors Academy



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