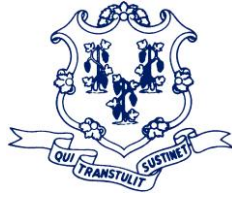


The Connecticut General Assembly



Domestic Violence Criminal Justice Response and Enhancement Advisory Council

Police Response to Crimes of Family Violence Model Policy Subcommittee

Meeting Minutes

April 7, 2026

2:00PM Room 2A of the LOB and via Zoom

ATTENDANCE: Chief Alaric Fox, Co-Chair Karen Foley O'Connor, Andrea O'Connor, Chief Rob Rosado, Atty. Johanna Canning, Merit Lajoie, Capt. Heather Pardi, Nancy Tyler, Joe DiTunno

CCADV Members Present: Liza Andrews, Gary Wallace

- I. CALL TO ORDER
 - Meeting called order by Chief Alaric Fox, at 2:03 pm.
- II. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS
 - Welcoming remarks and members introduced themselves
- III. MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL
 - Prior minutes: November 5, 2025
 - There was amendment to the minutes to correct the spelling of Ms. Lajoie's name
 - a. Motion to approve: Merit Lajoie
 - b. Second: Chief Rosado

Approved unanimously
- IV. GPS MODEL POLICY UPDATE
 - Discussion

Chief Fox, Co-Chair Foley O'Connor, and Joe DiTunno began this period by explaining the drafted updates to the GPS Model Policy. Members explained the goal of this draft was to provide clarity of where to find information, update language, and improve information regarding the program.

Atty. Canning proposed amending the third line in the final paragraph for clarity purposes. Members discussed the language and agreed to insert “allegations of potential order of protection violation(s)” and remove “family violence incident”

Ms. Tyler proposed removing an “if” in the section above, regarding when officers verify safety. Members agreed to removed the “if”.

- Motions and Vote

Chief Fox called for a motion to recommend the GPS Model Policy Update language to the full DV Council, Motion made by Capt. Pardi, Seconded by Ms. Lajoie.

Motion passed unanimously.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

A. JURISDICTIONAL CONDSIDERATIONS

- Discussion

Chief Fox and Co-Chair Foley O’Connor provided an explanation of jurisdictional considerations and how some victims find themselves being referred to multiple police departments when reporting an offense. The co-chairs explained that the recommended language changes before the subcommittee would provide clarity in this process.

Members discussed the issue and how the language would address it. Members did express concern over the length of the policy but agreed that could be addressed another time.

- Motions and Vote

Chief Fox asked for a motion to recommend the proposed language to the full council. Motion made by Chief Rosado, Seconded by Merit Lajoie.

Motion passed unanimously.

B. FUTURE ITEMS OF ACTION

- Chief Fox discussed that the subcommittee could look to add clarifying language to additional offenses and statutes that lack clarification on jurisdiction. He specifically cited offenses like stalking first, electronic stalking, unlawful dissemination of an intimate image. Members discussed that the goal is to have a clear cut policy that reduces the instances of victims being turned away from a department when they report an offense.

VI. DISCUSSION OF FUTURE MEETING DATES AND SCHEDULING

The co-chairs stated that they would have a clearer picture on subcommittee tasks after the next full council meeting on April 22nd.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Chief Fox called for a motion to adjourn the meeting, motion made by Ms. Lajoie, Seconded by Capt. Pardi

Motion passed unanimously

Meeting was adjourned at 3:22 PM