

V-STOP QUARTERLY NARRATIVE REPORT

All grantees must answer ALL narrative questions.

List objectives, performance measures, and progress this quarter. This can be done in chart form. Evaluate (analyze and discuss) the impact of your project. Two pages maximum.

GOAL: To enhance the apprehension, prosecution and adjudication of persons committing violence against women crimes in Chesterfield County through:

1. Informed and dependable prosecution of persons committing those crimes,
2. The use and advantage of collective agency knowledge and resources to provide better survivor safety and services and better victim information; and
3. Better trained personnel and a more informed public.

OBJECTIVES	PERFORMANCE MEASURES	PROGRESS THIS QUARTER	EVALUATION
Provide an Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney to zealously prosecute defendants charged with crimes of violence against women and intimate partners including assault and battery, vandalism, trespass, etc.	Statistics from 2nd biannual of 2018: # of cases prosecuted (men and women): 214 # of cases under advisement: 115 # of cases dismissed: 18 # of cases guilty: 81 # of declined prosecutions: 144	Statistics from 1st biannual of 2019: # of cases prosecuted (men and women): 250 # of cases under advisement: 81 # of cases dismissed: 127 # of cases guilty: 42 # of declined prosecutions: 38	Due to a miscommunication the VSTOP prosecutor was both overcounting dismissals and undercounting cases declined. Furthermore there was a miscommunication about the total number of cases to be included in the record keeping. The numbers will likely be more balanced next reporting period.
Provide an Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney to zealously prosecute defendants charged with crimes of violence against women and youth 11 years or older including stranger and non-stranger sexual assault	Statistics from 2nd biannual of 2018: # of cases prosecuted (men and women): 1 # of cases under advisement: 0 # of cases dismissed: 1 # of cases guilty: 1	Statistics from 1st biannual of 2019: # of cases prosecuted (men and women): 0 # of cases under advisement: 0 # of cases dismissed: 0 # of cases guilty: 0 # of decline prosecutions: 2	Being a new VSTOP prosecutor means that the sexual assault cases accepted for prosecution so far have not been resolved in any disposition given their often lengthy time needed to finalize.
Provide an Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney to zealously prosecute defendants charged with crimes of	Statistics from 2nd biannual of 2018: # of cases prosecuted (men and women): 0 # of cases under	Statistics from 1st biannual of 2019: # of cases prosecuted (men and women): 0 # of cases under	These numbers remained consistent. We find that stalking type offenses are often charged under

violence against women and youth 11 years or older including stalking	advisement: 0 # of cases dismissed: 0 # of cases guilty: 0 # of declined prosecutions: 0	advisement: 0 # of cases dismissed: 0 # of cases guilty: 0 # of declined prosecutions: 0	other code sections, as the stalking offense itself is a newer code in Virginia and hard to prove.
Provide an Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney to zealously prosecute defendants charged with crimes of violence against women and youth 11 years or older including violation of a protective order	Statistics from 2nd biannual of 2018: # of cases prosecuted (men and women): 24 # of cases under advisement: 5 # of cases dismissed: 4 # of cases guilty: 15 # of declined prosecutions: 11	Statistics from 1st biannual of 2019: # of cases prosecuted (men and women): 8 # of cases under advisement: 0 # of cases dismissed: 3 # of cases guilty: 5 # of declined prosecutions: 2	There has been a significant reduction in the number of protective order violations this quarter. However, this is in large part due to the change in our understanding of the reporting and so needs to be viewed in context.
Provide an Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney to assist the Chesterfield County Domestic Violence Task Force with its outreach efforts to provide resources to members of the community seeking assistance	Number of programs participated in during the 2nd biannual of 2018: 3 – El Patron fundraiser, Go Purple domestic violence awareness campaign, and strangulation training	Number of programs participated in during the 1st biannual of 2019:	The previous VSTOP prosecutor still works with the DVTF to do outreach and fundraising for services.
Provide an Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney to attend meetings of the Chesterfield County Domestic Violence Task Force and meetings of the Chesterfield County Intimate Partner and Family Violence Fatality Review Team	Attendance during the 2nd biannual report for 2018: The VSTOP prosecutor attended 4 out of the 4 DVTF meetings this period. The VSTOP prosecutor is on the Executive Committee. The VSTOP prosecutor attended the Fatality Review and CJI meetings.	Attendance during the 1st biannual report for 2019: The VSTOP prosecutor attended 1 CJI meeting.	The previous VSTOP prosecutor still attends the DVTF meetings for our office.
Provide an Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney to help provide training to Chesterfield County Police recruits on how to properly handle domestic violence incidents from investigation to trial	On November 15 and December 13 th , the VSTOP prosecutor taught at the Chesterfield Police Academy—approximately 20 recruits in attendance.	On June 10 th the VSTOP prosecutor taught at the Chesterfield Police Academy – approximately 18 recruits in attendance.	This is typical for our teaching schedule.

Case Study. Describe a significant case from the quarter, e.g. one that required a significant amount of staff time or had a significant impact on your community. One-two paragraphs maximum.

The VSTOP prosecutor continues to litigate a domestic violence case that first came to the office's attention in 2017. The defendant in that case was convicted of domestic assault and battery on the same victim in 2017, 2018 and is set to plead to a 3rd (felony) offense in the coming weeks. Since his 2017 and 2018 convictions, and as a result, the VSTOP prosecutor has filed new charges and show causes on the suspended time from the underlying domestic assault convictions. This case is significant because it demonstrates the importance of jail time in giving the victim an opportunity to secure their life but also because it demonstrates the importance of building good relationships with victims so that they feel empowered to report future abuse to our office.

*** Please **be particularly careful that you are not including any identifying victim information in the case studies that you provide.** In some localities, age or ethnicity + zip code are enough to identify a survivor. Please carefully scrutinize and limit victim-identifying information.

Media Coverage. Specify the type and date of coverage, e.g. WCVB television interview with V-STOP Prosecutor regarding Sexual Assault Awareness Month activities.

The VSTOP prosecutor currently has no domestic violence or other related cases being covered by the media.

Training Received. List the training events, dates, location, and V-STOP funded staff attending the event.

The VSTOP prosecutor has been able to attend one hour training sessions from members of the different agencies and organizations represented in the MDT. This has occurred the afternoon of the 2nd Wednesday in odd-numbered months so three times this reporting period for this prosecutor.