

# 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 1st biannual of 2019: # of cases prosecuted (men and women): 250 # of cases under advisement: 81 # of cases dismissed: 127 # of cases guilty: 42 #ofdeclined prosecutions: 38	Statistics from 2nd biannual of 2019: # of cases prosecuted (men and women): 67 # of cases under advisement: 23 # of cases dismissed: 14 # of cases guilty: 24 # of declined prosecutions: 92	Due to a miscommunication, our office was not correctly counting or categorizing cases. Our numbers are more accurate for this 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 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	Statistics from 2nd biannual of 2019: # of cases prosecuted (men and women): 2 # of cases under advisement: 0 # of cases dismissed: 0 # of cases guilty: 0 # of decline prosecutions: 4	Because of new personnel being on the VSTOP grant and the length of time a sexual assault case takes to go through court, no cases have been seen through to disposition.
Provide an Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney to zealously prosecute defendants charged with crimes of	Statistics from 1st biannual of 2019: # of cases prosecuted (men and women): 0 # of cases under	Statistics from 2nd 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.
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 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	Statistics from 2nd biannual of 2019: # of cases prosecuted (men and women): 4 # of cases under advisement: 1 # of cases dismissed: 1 # of cases guilty: 2 # of declined prosecutions: 1	The numbers have significantly decreased due to our correction in the data collected and reported.
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 1st biannual of 2019: 0	Number of programs participated in during the 2nd biannual of 2019: 0	The previous VSTOP prosecutor, Jennifer Guiliano, is the Chair of the DVTF and has continued that work through November 2019.
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 1st biannual report for 2019: The VSTOP prosecutor attended 1 CJI meeting.	Attendance during the 2nd biannual report for 2019: The VSTOP prosecutor has attended 1 DVTF meeting and 2 Fatality Review meetings.	The previous VSTOP prosecutor continued attending the DVTF meetings through November 2019. The current prosecutor began attending in December 2019 and is a participant on the training committee.
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 June 10 <sup>th</sup> the VSTOP prosecutor taught at the Chesterfield Police Academy – approximately 18 recruits in attendance.	The former VSTOP prosecutor taught at the Chesterfield Police Academy during this reporting period due to illness of the current VSTOP prosecutor on the day of training.	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 is currently handling a sexual assault perpetrated by the victim's boyfriend. During this period, the prosecutor has advised on the investigation and arrest as well as seen the case through a preliminary hearing, at which the victim testified. The prosecutor spent significant time preparing the victim for the testimony and court appearance as well as preparing for the presentation of the case. The offender has a significant violent history which indicates he poses a dire threat to our community. Recently, a prior girlfriend of the offender has come forward to report similar assaults perpetrated by him against her. The prosecutor has spent time meeting and explaining the process to this second victim. As the perpetrator is a violent offender and serial offender, the handling on this case will have a significant impact on the safety of our community.

**\*\*\* 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. WCVE television interview with V-STOP Prosecutor regarding Sexual Assault Awareness Month activities.

The V-STOP Prosecutor is currently prosecuting a sexual assault case which has garnered media attention as the perpetrator was the victim's Lyft driver.

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

The current VSTOP prosecutor attended a training on the Batterers Intervention Program October 21, 2019 at the Chesterfield County Central Library that was put on by the DVTF.

On October 29, 2019, the current VSTOP prosecutor attended a training in the Chesterfield JDR Courthouse on working with the LGBTQ community.