

MINNEAPOLIS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COORDINATING TEAM

Goals and Measures Relating to the Adoption of the Minneapolis Pledge to Reduce Domestic Violence

Minneapolis Police Department

Goal I – Implement policies and procedures to improve the charging rate and investigation of domestic violence related offenses.

Strategy/Goal	2008 Progress Report	2009 Update	2010 Update	2011 Update
Distribute to all patrol officers and investigators information regarding report writing and danger assessments in domestic violence cases.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report writing protocol & checklist distributed for 5th Pct. Pilot Project • Risk assessment developed as a part of the 5th Pct. Pilot Project • As part of 5th Pct. Pilot Project, all officers in 5th Pct. trained on report writing and use of risk assessment • Pocket cards developed and distributed for 5th Pct. Pilot Project • Planning currently underway to expand 5th Pct. Pilot Project to other precincts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pilot Project expanded into 3rd Pct in 2/09 & 4th Pct 9/09 • Protocol Training added to MPD Recruit Academy Curriculum • Pilot will be rolled out in 1st & 2nd Pct in 1/10 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pilot Project roll-out completed to 1st & 2nd Precincts in 2010 • SOD officers, University of Minnesota, & West Metro State Patrol officers trained in protocol • Training planned for Park Police & Metro Transit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pilot Project Data Collection Completed to all Precincts • All police officers (MPD, U of M, State Patrol, Park Police and Metro Transit) trained in DV Protocol • MCAO continues follow-up with officers regarding all DV related case outcomes • MPD includes Misdemeanor DV Protocol in new MPD Policy & Procedure Manual in regards to domestic calls (due to be approved 11/2011)
Develop a protocol directing officers to take photographs at the scene of domestic violence cases where relevant.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taking of photographs included in 5th Pct. Pilot Project protocol • 5th Pct. officers trained as part of Pilot Project training • Currently investigating options regarding purchasing of technology to photograph injuries 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5th Pct Officers took photographs 91% of time when visible injuries were present • 3rd Pct Officers 65% of time, MPD & MCAO working on improving compliance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MCAO continues to monitor officers taking of photos in DV cases, 4th Pct officers take them 68% of the time, 1st Pct officers 67%, and 2nd Pct 74% of the time • 1st Pct begins to use digital cameras vs. disposable cameras 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MPD rolls out digital cameras to all patrol officers • Taking photographs is included in new protocol • MCAO reports that photos are more “routine” in DV cases than in past
Increase training for	• Current protocols reviewed and	• MCAO & MPD	• MCAO attended roll calls	• MCAO continues to provide

officers regarding response to domestic violence incidents.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> updated when necessary • Training for implementation of 5th Pct. Pilot Project included updated information regarding protocols and case law developments • As pilot project is implemented in other precincts, training will continue to be included as part of implementation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> reviewed & revised pilot protocol as needed • MCAO participated in DV training for new recruit class 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to reinforce DV protocol for officers • MCAO sends weekly updates to precincts where protocol is being rolled out so that supervisors can work with officers on compliance with the protocol 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> feedback to officers regarding DV calls • MCAO continued to provide roll call training to officers and 2 make-up classes for officers who missed initial protocol training
Develop Protocols regarding on-scene questioning regarding firearm search & seizure in domestic violence cases	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation in Hennepin County Gun Surrender Pilot Program continues • Protocols regarding inquiring about & seizing firearms, when appropriate, developed as part of Pilot Project • MCAO asks victims about firearms as part of information gathered by victim liaisons prior to case resolution • Advocates include firearm safety as part of safety plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pilot Protocol continues to stress seizure of guns in DV situations • Hennepin County Gun Surrender Pilot did not result in many seized guns 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Officer compliance increases with asking victim about defendant's access to firearms • MCAO ensures that firearms orders are used in Court when applicable • MCAO continues to propose legislative amendments to expand the prohibition on the possession of firearms in DV cases 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Officers continue to ask about firearms as part of risk assessment questions • MPD and MCAO participate in informal work group coordinated by WATCH about firearms in Hennepin County • MCAO continues to propose legislative amendments to expand the prohibition on the possession of firearms in DV cases

Goal II – Educate patrol officers and investigators regarding the safety options and resources available to all the domestic violence victims with whom they come into contact.

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Increase awareness for police officers and investigators of domestic violence shelter and advocacy resources.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information about shelters included as part of 5th Pct Pilot Project Training • Advocates assigned to FVU participate in New Recruit training • Advocates staff Midtown 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Progress continues on each of these goals with activities begun in 2008 continuing into 2009. No significant changes noted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advocates continue to staff safety centers to increase accessibility to police & victims • MPD partners with animal control to develop program for the sheltering 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advocates continue to staff safety centers and probation officers to increase accessibility to police & victims • MPD partners with animal control to develop

	Safety Center each week • Roll calls are planned in Precincts		of animals of domestic violence victims	program for the sheltering of animals of domestic violence victims
Evaluate and review the use of professional interpreters when responding to domestic violence related offenses when either or all parties do not speak English.	• Advocates assigned to FVU continue to track issues regarding interpreter use as part of review of police reports • MPD/FVU aware of no current issues arising as to use of interpreters	• See above	• No significant issues noted regarding use of interpreters	• No significant issues noted regarding use of interpreters
Review & update information provided to crime victims on the “Blue Cards”	• Blue Card reviewed and updated with current victim service information • New Blue Cards anticipated to be printed in November 2008	• See above	• No changes noted	• MCAO and MPD update blue card after annual review

Goal III – Improve the Police Department’s response to Gone-on-Arrival (GOA) Reports in domestic violence-related offenses.

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Include domestic-related GOAs in the Department’s “virtual roll calls”.	• Currently exploring ways in which information about GOA cases can be shared efficiently and systematically • 5 th Precinct Pilot Project training included information about 12 Hour Rule	• MCAO proposal to expand “12 Hour Rule” to 24 hours signed into law by Govt. Pawlenty	• MCAO & MPD continue to collaborate at DASC to increase charging of GOA cases • MCAO prosecutors note an increase in the number of offenders arrested in the 24 hours following the incident	• MCAO & MPD continue to collaborate at DASC to increase charging of GOA cases • MCAO prosecutors continue to note increased arrests in the 24 hour arrest window

Goal IV – To Enhance Tracking of Domestic Violence-Related Cases.

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<p>Add domestic violence-related crime statistics to Department's weekly Code 4 tracking strategy.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MPD exploring addition of domestic related calls to Code 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DA calls to be tracked at Precinct level not Code 4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MCAO, MPD, Probation & Advocates develop Domestic Violence Repeat Offender team and list to increase resources devoted to the investigation, prosecution and advocacy support provided to repeat DV offenders • Little Earth Repeat Offender List developed to track repeat DV offenders at Little Earth; list becomes part of Little Earth Court Watch 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DROL team continues to monitor repeat domestic offenders and meets bi-weekly to monitor cases • Little Earth Repeat Offender List continues to be used as part of Little Earth Court Watch • MCAO, MPD & DAP begin DANCO checks & follow up on high risk GOA cases as part of State Special Projects Grant

Minneapolis City Attorney's Office

Goal I – To facilitate coordination among Minneapolis criminal justice agencies and nongovernmental organizations working on domestic violence related issues.

Strategy/Goal	2008 Progress Report	2009 Update	2010 Update	2011 Update
<p>Convene an annual summit meeting of persons working on domestic violence related issues in the City of Minneapolis to increase the coordinated community response.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attempted to convene working group, however, most agencies felt that existing committees and work groups were sufficient to address the issues, so no annual meeting convened • Meetings attended include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hennepin Co. Family Violence Coordinating Council - Criminal Sub-committee of the Hennepin Co. Family Violence Coordinating Council - Advocate Sub-committee of the Hennepin Co. Family Violence Coordinating Council - Hennepin Co. Domestic Violence Court Steering Committee - Hennepin Co. Domestic Fatality Review Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MCAO staff continues to attend meetings. Family Violence Coordinating Council to review annually recommendations of reports and attempt to implement promising new practices in Hennepin County 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MCAO staff continues to attend meeting focusing on improving systemic response to DV in Hennepin County • MCAO, MPD, Probation & Advocacy Partners begin drafting the “Minneapolis Model” detailing the protocols, procedures and partnerships designed to address DV in Minneapolis • MCAO participates in the planning & implementation of new Veteran’s Court & chairs a committee tasked with setting up protocols for the handling of DV cases in Veteran’s Court 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MCAO staff continues to attend meeting focusing on improving systemic response to DV in Hennepin County • MCAO, MPD, Probation & Advocacy Partners begin drafting the “Minneapolis Model” detailing the protocols, procedures and partnerships designed to address DV in Minneapolis • MCAO participates in the planning for a new family based response to DV with the Council on Crime & Justice
<p>Convene quarterly interagency meetings with those working on domestic violence issues.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As noted above, insufficient interest to form new work group • MPD, MCAO, and Advocacy Partners continue to meet monthly as part of VAWA grant steering committee • MPD, MCAO & Advocacy Partners continue to serve on County Wide Committees focusing on domestic violence and systems change 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See above 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See above 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See above

Goal II – Continue to improve the response to domestic violence related cases by the City Attorney’s Office.

Strategy/Goal	2008 Progress Report	2009 Update	2010 Update	2011 Update
<p>Improve the response to domestic violence cases by the MCAO.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100% of cases reviewed for gross misdemeanor and felony charging • Conviction rate is 64% as of 2nd Quarter 2008 for domestic violence cases • In 5th Precinct Pilot Project, conviction rate after 2nd Quarter is 79%, an increase of 25% from conviction rate for the comparison year in the 5th Pct. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MCAO continues to review 100% of cases for gross misdemeanor and felony charging • As of end of 3rd Quarter 2009, 96 cases where the original offense code was for a misdemeanor charge were charged as felonies. • MCAO overall conviction rate rises to 64.74%, with a 71% conviction rate for the 3rd quarter alone. • Conviction rate for 5th Pct Pilot Project is at 77% with only 5 cases still open with active warrants. This compares to a 54.4% conviction rate for the 5th Pct prior to the implementation of the protocol. • Conviction rate for 3rd Pct Rollout is at 74.2% as of the end of the September 13, 2009. This compares to a 65.8% conviction rate for the 3rd Pct prior to the implementation of the protocol. • MCAO continues to provide feedback to MPD officers regarding reports and outcomes of cases as protocol is rolled out. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MCAO continues to review 100% of cases for gross misdemeanor and felony charging • As of end of 3rd Quarter 2010, 93 cases where the original offense code was for a misdemeanor charge were charged as felonies. • MCAO overall conviction rate rises to 72% • Conviction rate increases in each precinct as Protocol is rolled out <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4th Pct 58.1% to 71.4% • 2nd Pct 71.5% to 85.5% • 1st Pct 70.8% to 77.6% • MCAO sends 2 prosecutors to a week long training sponsored by the National Institute for the Prosecution of Domestic Violence 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MCAO continues to review 100% of cases for gross misdemeanor and felony charging • Use of PC felony enhancement list continues to rise, MPD officers PC 144 defendants for potential enhanced felony charges as of end of 3rd Quarter 2011 • As of end of 3rd Quarter 2011, 80 cases where the original offense code was for a misdemeanor charge were charged as felonies. • MCAO overall conviction rate stays at 70%

Community Based Advocacy

Goal I – Provide services to victims to assist with immediate safety needs.

Strategy/Goal	2008 Progress Report	2009 Update	2010 Update	2011 Update
<p>Provide Services to victims in misdemeanor domestic violence police reports to assist with immediate safety needs.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See attached Advocacy Summary for more details • 3361 victims contacted in 2008 with 29,160 different services provided by advocates. 3219 victims contacted in 2009. Victims contacted in 9 months of 2010. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities reported in 2008 continue. See attached Advocacy Summary for more details. • DAP reports a 16% increase in victims seeking advocacy services in 2009 and a 28% increase in persons contacting DAP for therapy services. DAP has to institute a waiting list for entry into their men’s program. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities reported in 2008 continue. See attached Advocacy Summary for more details. • DAP reports a 3% increase in victims seeking advocacy services in 2010 and an increase in persons contacting DAP for therapy services. DAP has to institute a waiting list for entry into their men’s program. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities reported in 2008 continue. See attached Advocacy Summary for more details • - DAP reports 2548 victims provided advocacy services in 9 mos. of 2011.
<p>Provide services to victims identified in felony level police reports investigated by MPD’s Family Violence Unit.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 570 victims contacted by Advocates on felony level cases at FVU in 2008. In 2009, 727 victims contacted. In 9months of 2010 – victims contacted. ** (Only 418 victims were contacted by advocates in all of 2007.) • See attached Advocacy Summary for more details 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See above 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See above 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 342 victims contacted by advocates in 9 mos. of 2011.

Goal II – Assist the city in ensuring access to services and interventions into domestic violence for immigrant communities.

Strategy/Goal	2008 Progress Report	2009 Update	2010 Update	2011 Update
<p>Increase cultural awareness and community awareness about domestic violence within immigrant communities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See attached sheet for details about Community Presentations regarding domestic violence conducted by members of the Collaborative 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities reported in 2008 continue. See attached sheet for more information about Community Presentations regarding domestic violence conducted by members of the Collaborative. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities reported in 2008 continue. New this year is a partnership with Hennepin County Adult Probation Supervision, working with the two units who supervise misdemeanor domestic assault cases and felony cases to increase safety for victims and monitoring repeat offenders. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Activities developed previously continued. Partnerships with Hennepin Co. Probation in the two domestic assault supervision units continue. Advocates are at the Mid Town Safety Center and do numerous presentations in the community. Spanish speaking and Somali advocate at North Point weekly.
<p>Place language-specific advocates in MPD community safety centers with large immigrant populations.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advocates staff Midtown Safety Center, Broadway School and North Point weekly • Advocates work with safety center staff to do community outreach regarding domestic violence • Advocates have permanent displays of information at Safety Centers regarding the services that they can provide & are included on promotion literature for Midtown Safety Center 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See above 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See above 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See above

Goal III – Engage in Community Collaboration Efforts.

Strategy/Goal	2008 Progress Report	2009 Update	2010 Update
Engage in community outreach efforts with already established boards and commissions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advocates have and are currently providing outreach to students at Broadway School, Anishinabe Academy & at Little Earth Engage in outreach with the Minneapolis Youth Coordinating Board. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advocates continue to provide outreach as described above. MCAO and DAP staff are currently serving on an advisory board as the Council on Crime & Justice explores the feasibility of creating a pilot program geared towards working with families with children who have been exposed to domestic violence. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advocates at NorthPoint Gateway Project, in Co-parent Court, Hennepin Co. Veterans Court, Little Earth Omnicitye and Court Watch.

Community Outreach by VAWA Grant Collaboration in Relation to:

Goal II for Community Based Advocacy – Assist the City in ensuing access to services and interventions into domestic violence for immigrant community & Goal I for Minneapolis City Attorney’s Office – To Facilitate coordination among Minneapolis criminal justice agencies and nongovernmental organizations working on domestic violence related issues.

1/24/11	Crisis Connection phone counselors – DV 101 and emergency resources
1/27/11	MCAO travels to Le Center, MN to provide a two-hour training for 3 advocates & 7 prosecutors from the City/County Attorney’s Offices in Le Sueur County.
3/2/11	Indian Health Board Staff (medical and counseling)
3/9/11	MPD and MCAO speak to advocates at the Project on Pride and Living to talk about the criminal process of domestic assaults
3/18/11	Spoke to Judges Patrick Robben, Mary Vasaly and Jamie Anderson, newly appointed Division IV District Court judges, about domestic violence and coordinated community response, role of advocates and batterer intervention programs
3/21/11	MCAO participates in class at Hamline University and discusses difficulties in prosecuting DV cases
3/31/11	Genesis II for Families – 20 teen moms and their mentors
4/1/11	Employing People in Community (EPIC) – DV 101 and community resources
4/7/11	Way to Grow – 20 early childhood parenting in-home staff
4/16/11	Macedonia Baptist Church – 50 people – DV 101 and community resources
5/12/11	Brooklyn Park/Brooklyn Center police and community – DV and community response

5/19/11	MCAO provides training for 41 new state troopers regarding domestic violence
5/20/11	MCAO provides training at Suburban Prosecutors CLE regarding domestic fatality review team
5/26/11	MCAO & MPD present at State Office of Justice Program's Crime Victim's Conference on May 26, about the rollout of the misdemeanor domestic violence investigation protocol
6/2/11	MCAO participates in a panel presentation sponsored by the Council on Crime and Justice for the deaf and hearing impaired community about how they can effectively interact with the criminal justice system in DV cases
6/23/11	Public Defender's Office staff (12) – DV, immigration, VISA's
7/11/11 & 7/25/11	MCAO presents at trainings about domestic violence and gun laws at the Brookdale Library with the Hennepin County Attorney's Office and the U.S. Attorney's Office. 30 police officers attended the trainings.
7/11/11	MCAO also served as a model interviewee at the Battered Women's Justice Project's System's Advocacy training, "Strategies and Skills to Create Systems Change" in St. Paul.
8/25/11	Advocates provided information to the Minnesota Coalition for Battered Women's policy roundtable on immigrants/Asian-Americans/Latinos to create a potential legislative agenda to enhance safety and identify concerns.
Monthly	Senior Group – Park Elder
Bi-monthly	Eastside Neighborhood Services – Senior Group
Monthly	Outreach to the Latino community - women's groups at CLUES and men's groups at La Oportunidad, women's groups at La Conexion.
9/27/11	Presentation by the Family Violence Unit Team of our coordinated community response to Becky Rogerson, Middlesbrough, England
July – September	Advocates provided information to Senator Franken's staff regarding stalking by abusers using technology (GPS phones) and difficulties with transferring housing vouchers/programs for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault when they need to move for safety reasons.

Committees, Work Groups and Collaborative Planning Teams attended by members of the Grant Collaborative include:

Hennepin County Family Violence Coordinating Council
Criminal Sub-committee of the Hennepin County Family Violence Coordinating Council
Advocate Sub-committee of the Hennepin County Family Violence Coordinating Council
Hennepin County Domestic Violence Court Steering Committee
Hennepin County Domestic Fatality Review Team
Little Earth Domestic Violence Repeat Offender Report – part of Little Earth Court Watch
Domestic Violence Repeat Offender Bi-Weekly Status Conference
4th Precinct PAC
3rd Precinct American Indian Safety Council

ADVOCACY STATISTICS

Victims served by Advocates assigned to the Domestic Assault Unit from DAP, CASA, and AWUM

	1/1/11 – 09/30/11*	1/1/10 – 12/31/10	1/1/09 – 12/31/09	1/1/08 – 12/31/08	1/1/07 – 12/31/07
Victims Served	342 (*9 mos.)	442	577	570	418

Services Provided by Advocates assigned to the Domestic Assault Unit from DAP, CASA, and AWUM

Community Advocacy	1/1/11-09/30/11*	1/1/10 – 12/31/10	1/1/09 – 12/31/09	1/1/08 – 12/31/08	1/1/07 – 12/31/07
Alternate Employment Plan	2 (*9 mos.)	4	5	2	2
Child Safety	34	66	51	35	44
Client Outreach	478	567	169	945	469
DV Education	484	557	670	986	299
Emergency Funds	13	19	2	7	3
Food/Housing/Transportation	5	11	7	11	10
Immigration Issues	13	11	43	10	0
Referral to Comm. Agency	8	15	62	89	233
Referral to DAP Therapy	11	19	27	11	160
Safety Planning	498	643	630	222	227
Support	509	625	741	1064	424
Translation	11	33	95	57	32

Legal Advocacy	1/1/11-09/30/11*	1/1/10 – 12/31/10	1/1/09 – 12/31/09	1/1/08 – 12/31/08	1/1/07 – 12/31/07
Arrestment	325 (*9 mos.)	591	115	36	1
CJS Information	46	41	612	853	425
Jury Trial	320	486	109	21	0
OFP Hearing	13	64	6	5	5
OFP Writing	26	93	22	96	57
Other OFP Asst.	129	73	495	55	69
Other Court Activity	30	61	445	81	7
Post-Disposition	36	3	0	152	41
Potential Felony Review	1	7	19	426	91
Pre-Trial	331	578	119	30	1
Sexual Assault	9	15	8	17	5

ADVOCACY STATISTICS

Victims served by other DAP Advocates – CJJ, Little Earth, and North Point

	1/1/11 - 9/30/11*	1/1/10 – 12/31/10	1/1/09 – 12/31/09	1/1/08 – 12/31/08	1/1/07 – 12/31/07
Victims Served	2548 (*9 mos.)	3185	3219	2791	3253

Services Provided by Victims served by other DAP Advocates – CJJ, Little Earth, and North Point

Community Advocacy	1/1/11-09/30/10*	1/1/10 – 12/31/10	1/1/09 – 12/31/09	1/1/08 – 12/31/08	1/1/07 – 12/31/07
Alternate Employment Plan	258 (*9 mos.)	236	239	217	450
Child Safety	725	913	697	538	710
Client Outreach	4443	4807	3988	3233	4174
DV Education	3616	4431	4157	3454	4228
Emergency Funds	69	28	228	169	426
Food/Housing/Transportation	295	484	533	482	647
Immigration Issues	293	313	314	203	403
Referral to Comm. Agency	1054	1751	2352	1959	2429
Referral to DAP Therapy	969	1949	2322	1802	1984
Safety Planning	4471	5069	3621	3156	3279
Support	4495	4910	4393	3821	4531
Translation	260	352	342	236	438

Legal Advocacy	1/1/11 – 09/30/11*	1/1/10 – 12/31/10	1/1/09 – 12/31/09	1/1/08 – 12/31/08	1/1/07 – 12/31/07
Arraignment	568 (*9 mos.)	759	565	390	672
CJS Information	836	927	1031	1089	836
Jury Trial	58	34	138	76	138
OFP Hearing	55	111	187	174	188
OFP Writing	133	205	246	278	258
Other Assistance	1167	1501	1663	1291	1533
Other Court Activity	215	807	1004	815	406
Post-Disposition	872	1018	795	200	240
Potential Felony Review	10	6	19	39	33
Pre-Trial	188	227	444	279	223
Sexual Assault	33	63	33	28	31

CRIMINAL JUSTICE STATISTICS

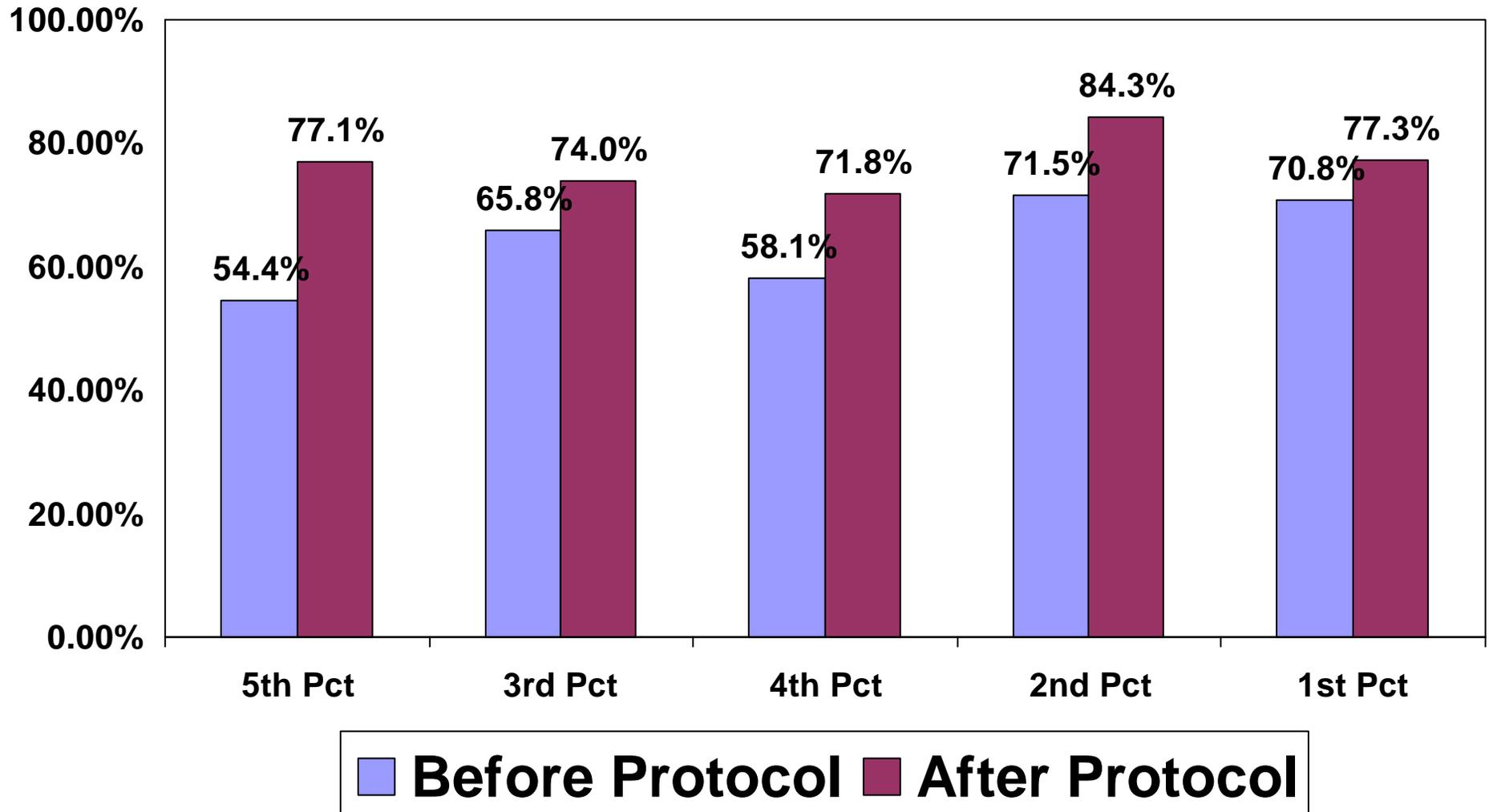
911 Calls Classified as Domestic Assault Related

	Total 911 Calls Coded as Domestic Assault Related	Total 911 Calls Closed with Bookings
2007	18460	1873
2008	18215	1782
2009	17725	1626
2010	17446	1288
2011 (Through 3 rd Qtr. 2011)	12813	834

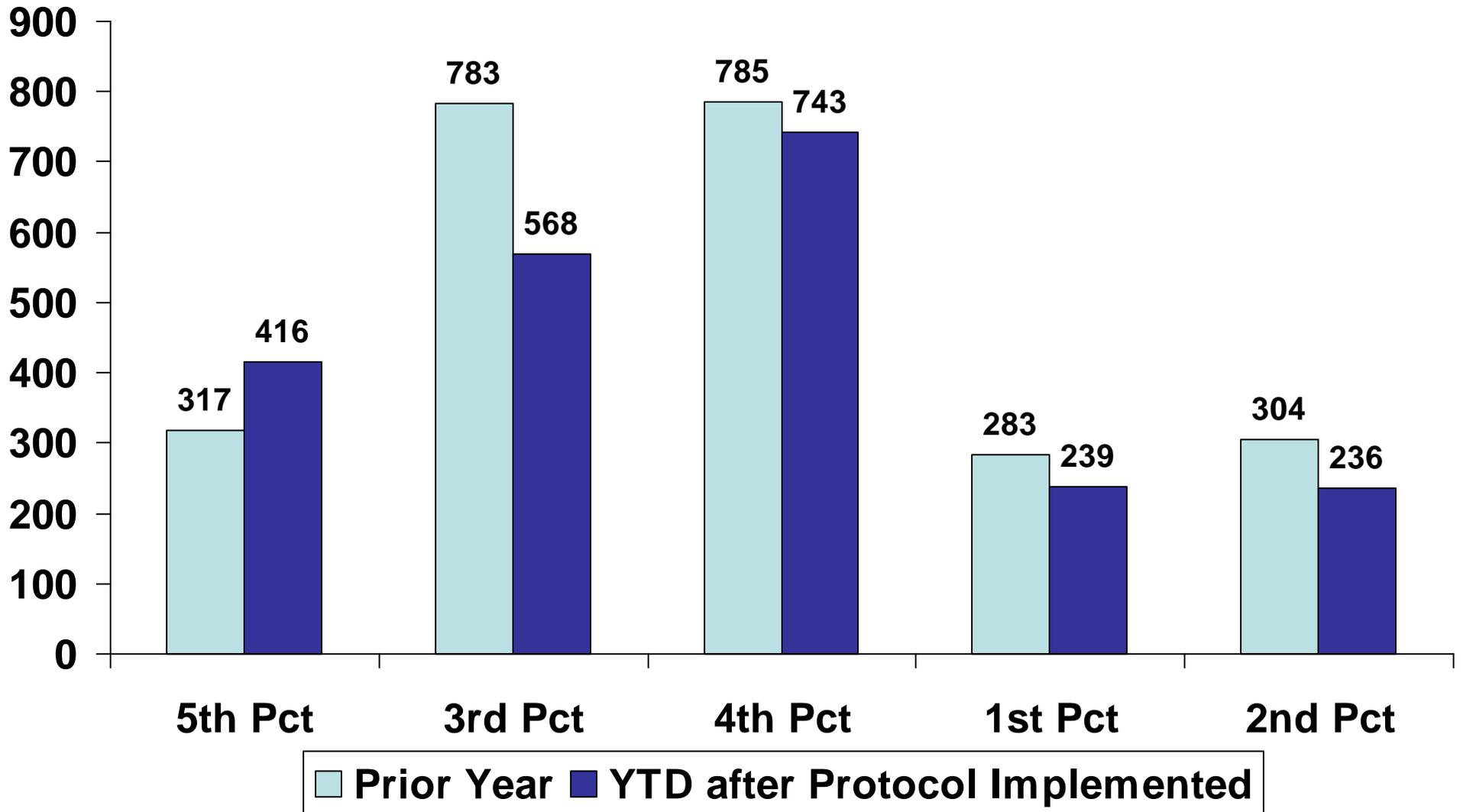
Misdemeanor & Gross Misdemeanor Domestic Assault Prosecution Statistics by City Attorney's Office

	Cases Prosecuted	Conviction Rate	Gone on Arrival Cases Reviewed
2007	1610	54%	2004
2008	1334	60%	2339
2009	1145	66%	1438
2010	1019	72%	1678
2011 (Through 3 rd Quarter 2011)	687	70%	1306

Change in Conviction Rate following Implementation of Misdemeanor Domestic Violence Investigation Protocol



Misdemeanor Domestic Violence Investigation Protocol Roll-out - Effect on Total Cases

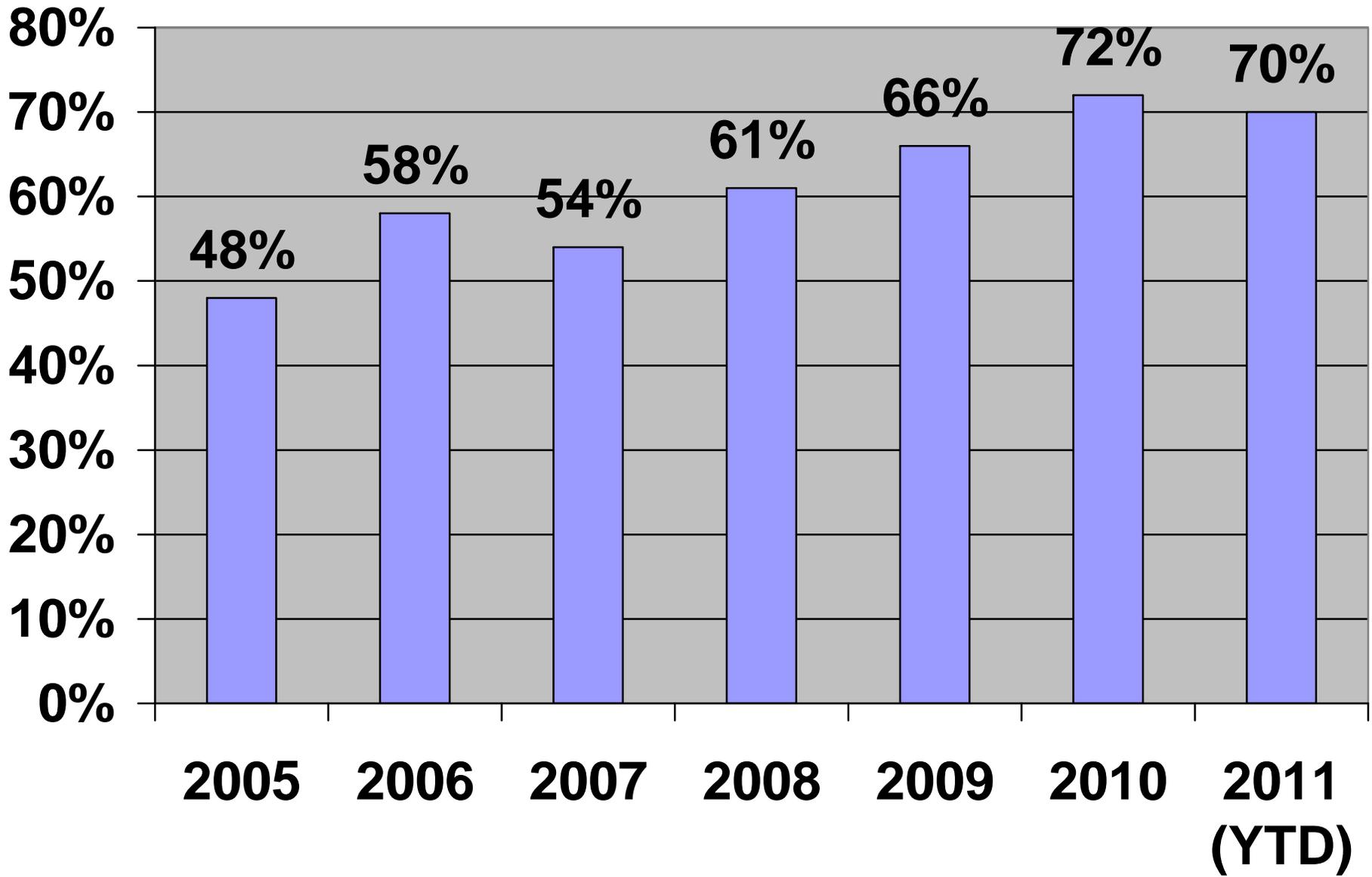


Misdemeanor Domestic Violence Investigation Protocol Statistics – Officer Compliance with Protocol

	5 th Pct % Compliant	3 rd Pct % Compliant	4 th Pct % Compliant	2 nd Pct % Compliant	1 st Pct % Compliant
1. Officers Indicated Checking for Presence of OFP/NCO	37%	48%	52%	70%	62%
2. Officers asked if Firearms are Present in the Home	20%	20%	31%	46%	40%
3. Officers requested Scales Statements from Defendant¹	78%	71%	63%	64%	78%
4. Officers asked if Victim needed Medical Treatment ¹	96%	79%	82%	85%	83%
5. Officers obtained a signed Medical Release¹	76%	56%	62%	76%	69%
6. Officers Property Inventoried a completed Victim Supplement ¹	57%	71%	68%	75%	64%
7. Officers noted asking/checking to see if victim had injuries ¹	97%	87%	82%	86%	89%
8. Officers took Photographs of Victim's Injuries¹	85%	66%	68%	71%	67%
9. Officer took Photographs of Damage to Property¹	70%	61%	49%	63%	61%
10. Officers took Photographs of Defendant ¹	14%	9%	12%	12%	10%
11. Officers noted asking Victim Risk Assessment Questions	5%	13%	20%	39%	28%
12. Officers included Dispatch Information in Report	60%	70%	66%	73%	77%
13. Officers described Victim's Demeanor in Report	75%	43%	38%	39%	40%
14. Officers used Quotation Marks to denote exact quotes	53%	42%	46%	53%	51%
15. Officers included Alternate Contact Information for Victim	29%	19%	19%	25%	18%
16. Officers property inventoried Relevant Evidence¹	75%	29%	38%	55%	43%
17. Officers noted asking if there were Witnesses	39%	34%	40%	39%	39%
18. Officers noted Witness Name & Contact Info in Report ¹	94%	85%	87%	80%	85%
19. Officers interviewed listed Witnesses regarding Incident ¹	81%	61%	59%	46%	57%

¹ The percentages in these calculations only include cases where it was possible for officers to comply with the protocol.

Conviction Rate on Domestic Violence Cases



2011-2012 State Office of Justice Programs Special Projects Grant
Enhanced Enforcement of Domestic Abuse no Contact Orders (DANCOs) & Following up on High Risk GOA cases

The MCAO acting as fiscal agent for the MPD and Domestic Abuse Project (DAP) received funding from the State as part of the VAWA Special Projects Grant to follow up on DANCOs issued as part of criminal cases prosecuted by the MCAO.

With grant funding, an investigator from MPD and an advocate from DAP conduct a “knock & talk” at the victim’s address to see if the defendant is there in violation of the DANCO and to offer services to the victim.

As of July 22, 2011:

- 322 “knock & talks” were conducted over 76 shifts with 176 different addresses checked
- 317 of the “knock & talks” were for DANCO checks and 5 were GOA checks
- The advocate/investigator team contacted the victim in 28.6% of the “knock & talks”
- The advocate/investigator team contacted the defendant in 8.4% of the “knock & talks”
- 16 defendants were arrested after “knock & talk” visits
- The overall conviction rate for cases that have resolving following DANCO checks is 78% as compared to 71% for all domestic cases.

Positive Stories from Advocates about the DANCO grant

Lieutenant Reinhardt and I were assigned a GOA case, in which a suspect had violated an order for protection several times the prior night. Both the suspect and victim were vulnerable adults and there had been prior police involvement. We went to the victim’s residence to speak with her and she told us that the suspect was living at his mother’s house in Richfield. The victim had several safety concerns because the defendant had threatened to come to her house and harm her. She had been given my phone number by Jennifer Inz at DASC and was very thankful when she saw that I had showed up to talk with her. Lieutenant Reinhardt and I went to Richfield where the defendant was residing and arrested him for violation of an order for protection. I called the victim afterwards and she was so relieved that he was in custody and she could rest easy for the night. I contacted the victim again after court the following day to inform her of the outcome and we talked about a safety plan for when he was released from custody. The victim was also struggling with obtaining assistance from the county so I connected her with a community resource and she ended up filing for and receiving assistance. The criminal case has since resolved and she is no longer fearful but she still keeps in contact with me.

I was working with Sergeant Martinson and we went to the Fourth Precinct so that he could take a statement from a victim. The address that we were going to sounded familiar to me and when we got there, I realized that I had worked with this victim in court and had assisted her in getting her locks changed. When the victim saw that I was there with Sergeant Martinson, she was very happy to see me and gave me a big hug. The victim stated that she was expecting to see the police there, but was so excited that her advocate had come to her house to see her.

Domestic Repeat Offender List (DROL) & Team

The MCAO using funds from a federal Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) grant began a domestic repeat offender list and team in January 2010. The team consists of a prosecutor from the MCAO, an investigator from MPD, a probation officer from Hennepin County Community Corrections & Rehabilitation, a county attorney from the Hennepin County Attorney's Office, and advocates from 3 community based domestic violence agencies.

The team meets bi-weekly and reviews police contacts for offenders identified as "top offenders" for domestic violence offenders. To qualify as a DROL offender, a defendant must have at least 3 domestic related police reports in the last year. When an identified DROL offender has a police contact in Minneapolis, the DROL team is notified and that police contact receives enhanced investigation from MPD and additional victim contact from the advocates. One prosecutor from the MCAO handles all DROL cases to ensure that their criminal history is considered in sentencing.

In 2010, 180 offenders were identified as DROL offenders and they generated 179 alerts, 60 of which were domestic related. Of those 60 domestic related cases, 30 cases were charged resulting in 21 convictions for a 70% conviction rate.

Through May 30, 2011, 146 offenders were identified as DROL offenders and they have generated 125 alerts with 26 being domestic related. Of those 26 domestic related cases, 11 have been charged resulting in 6 convictions so far.

The team has also found it useful to receive alerts for non-domestic related offenses committed by DROL offenders. In one case, a defendant had been arrested for a driving offense. When he was arrested, he was with the victim whom there was a domestic abuse no contact order prohibiting him from having contact with. The arresting officers did not discover that order, but when the case was reviewed by the DROL team, they discovered the order and the defendant was charged with a felony level violation of the domestic abuse no contact order.

Little Earth Repeat Offender List

In 2010, the MCAO in collaboration with the steering committee for the federal VAWA grant, received a request from the Little Earth Neighborhood Association. They had observed that there was a group of repeat offenders who seemed to be “targeting” women who lived at Little Earth, an urban housing complex for Native Americans, and turned to the MCAO and steering committee for assistance in finding creative solutions to address this problem. A working group began to meet and developed a Repeat Offender List at Little Earth to identify repeat domestic violence offenders there, so that the community and courts system could be more aware of these offenders and their history.

The list was developed and currently has 42 domestic violence offenders who are tracked as Little Earth repeat domestic violence offenders. The list is used as part of the neighborhood’s “Court Watch” in order to track these offenders’ criminal activity and the criminal justice system’s response to these offenders.

All partners have found this new “targeted” approach and scrutiny for these offenders to improve the response of the criminal justice system and the advocacy agencies to domestic violence in that area. The success at Little Earth in this “targeted” intervention approach has encouraged the grant steering committee to investigate ways that this model could be replicated in other areas of the City.