To: San Mateo County Commission on the Status of Women

From: Becky Abens, Commissioner

Date: September 2019

Subject: Commissioner Update

San Mateo County Human Trafficking Initiative September Meeting

- September 10, 2019
- Presentations by John Vanek and Pamela Estes:
  - National Human Trafficking Hotline Tip Report/Other HT Referrals - John
    - Local agencies must establish and propose a protocol to Polaris to receive local notification
    - SMC Protocol in place for 16 months - eight tips
      - None resulted in positive identification of Human Trafficking incident
      - One was a hoax
      - One investigation is ongoing
    - Polaris received 41k contacts in 201 - breakdown of types and numbers of cases on Polaris website
    - Data is very challenging to understand and decipher
      - Limited to information the caller provides
      - Terms and classifications are not clear or consistent
      - Actional information is a fraction of the calls received
      - Local data is the best and most difficult to get
  - HT Poster Compliance Efforts – Pam
    - Jan 2019 added new establishments to the poster requirement: hotels, motels, b&bs
    - SMC HT Program worked with Visitor & Conventions Bureau on poster campaign
    - New legislation allows for enforcement activities
    - Enforcement is labor intensive – compliance checks
  - Update on Comprehensive Services Plan for Adult HT Victims – John
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From: Tanya Beat, Director

Date: September 24, 3019

Subject: Status of recent events/projects

Update:

- **Art of the Ask, Women’s Equality Day, August 26th**
  - 22 attendees; 10 evals: most wanted more time, more examples and would attend again. The video tech glitch stood out for people.
  - Thank you Maya Tussing – the evals all shared that you were a great facilitator!

- **New Commissioner Orientation, August 27th**
  - 7 new commissioners received Brown Act training and binder of CSW information such as mtg minutes, resolutions, and current workplan.

- **Women’s Hall of Fame digital Exhibit**
  - Completed at Redwood City Public Library. Unresolved technical difficulties. Working with the County Library system to put it online.

Announcements:

- **Youth Commission Meeting, Thursday, September 26, 6:15-8:15pm, BOS Chambers**
  - Various commissions will present to Youth. The CSW recruits/invites two youth commissioners to join us. Manufou Liaiga-Anoa’i will be presenting the CSW.

- **Census 2020 Presentation** – update by Manufou Liaiga-Anoa’i

- **Alliance for Girls Presentation:** [https://www.alliance4girls.org/](https://www.alliance4girls.org/)
  - They would like to share on: Town Halls; Research; help with young women’s part of the RISE 2020 program.
  - Note: there is no organization in San Mateo County that works to exclusively support girls and/or women who support girls.
  - **A Movement for Equity:** October 3, Oakland: keynotes include Dolores Huerta, Dr. Nadine Burke Harris, Dr. Monique W Morris; 10% discount with SANMATEO

Announcements from Commissioners: None submitted
COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

Process of Prioritizing Issues
TOP 4 ISSUES (ALL COUNTY)

1. Access to Housing
2. Public Transportation
3. Safety
4. Supporting Marginalized Communities
REFLECTION

With all four issues, reflect on the following:

- What do you already know about this issue?
- What don’t you know about this issue?
- How does this issue impact you?

Access to Housing
Public Transportation
Safety
HOW DO THESE ISSUES FIT INTO OUR 3 GOALS?

Goal I: Increase Community Engagement, Networking & Education Related to _____ (Issue).

Goal II: Advise the BOS on _________ (Issue) 2-3 times during the year.

Goal III: Continue to Develop Processes & Activities to Strengthen the CSW and Enhance its Positive Impact on Women in SMC.
NEXT STEPS

Be ready to VOTE on your top issue to prioritize at the CSW meeting.

As a group we will focus our efforts on one issue for 2019-2020.

We will address the other three issues in subsequent years.