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**Family & Domestic Violence Coordinating Council 8th Annual Conference
"Moving on to Intervention"
Modesto Centre Plaza
October 19, 2007
8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.**

Conference Objectives

Upon completion of this program participants will learn how to help victims manage their fears, and learn effective prevention and intervention strategies for victims of family violence. Participants will also be involved in the development plans for the new Stanislaus County Family Justice Center.

Morning Speaker

Robert J. Martin – How to Manage Fear

This presentation will address a number of issues regarding interpersonal aggression and its relationship to domestic violence. It will include:

- The four key factors in managing a victim's fear.
- Fear vs. Worry, why it is important to know the difference.
- Evolutionary contributions to violence and the role of intuition.
- How to answer the question: "is he dangerous?"
- The Rule of Reciprocation and why we can't "just say no."
- The downside of anti-stalking laws.
- The "Snail Darter Syndrome:" who are the stakeholders?

Noon Speaker

Carol Shipley, Stanislaus County Assistant District Attorney – The Stanislaus County Family Justice Center

This presentation is about a Center which would provide "one-stop services" for victims of Domestic Violence, Elder Abuse, Sexual Assault and Child Abuse. The Center would be a place where a multi-disciplinary team of professionals are housed under one roof and would reduce the amount of times and places victims would have to go to tell their story and get the help they need from one location. The Center is in the early planning stages at this point.

Afternoon Speakers

David Love, MFT – Effective Prevention Strategies

This presentation will discuss the impact of domestic violence on children and families and how to identify and assist these families. Specific intervention strategies will be outlined and discussed.

- Participants will be able to identify at least three ways domestic violence alters family functioning.
- Participants will be able to list the impact of domestic violence on brain development in children.
- Participants will be able to discuss two intervention strategies to help promote safe and stable families.

Registration for the conference is \$40. Continuing Education Credits offered at an additional charge of \$25. For registration information, visit – www.co.stanislaus.ca.us/dvcc/content/ - or call 209-525-4311.