

San Francisco Commission on the Status of Women Resolution Authorizing the Department on the Status of Women to accept a \$750,000 grant from the Department of Justice Office of Violence Against Women

BE IT KNOWN That the Commission on the Status of Women of the City & County of San Francisco hereby issues, and authorizes the execution, by the subscribing Commissioners, of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The Department on the Status of Women partnered with the District Attorney's Office, San Francisco Police Department, and three community-based organizations – YMCA Bayview, La Casa de las Madres, and, Glide – to better serve victims who are at high risk of lethality in relationships and to improve prosecutors' ability to bring perpetrators to justice; and,

WHEREAS, The project, titled "Multidisciplinary Domestic Violence High Lethality Risk Team Pilot Project" was built upon the San Francisco Community Informed Domestic Violence Risk Assessment project that was previously funded by the Office of Violence Against Women and, the work of the Limited English Proficiency sub-unit in the District Attorney's Domestic Violence Unit to enhance the training and policy partnerships on cases involving victims in high risk of lethality in relationships; and,

WHEREAS, The goals of the project are to (1) maintain centralized prosecution and victim support services for domestic violence survivors; (2) develop policies and data collection systems to improve the tracking of cases and classification of complaints involving domestic violence; (3) enhance direct services for domestic violence victims with high risk of lethality in relationships, and (4) develop and implement a domestic violence high lethality risk team pilot project in San Francisco's Bayview District; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED That the San Francisco Commission on the Status of Women authorizes the Department on the Status of Women to accept the \$750,000 3-year Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders Program grant from the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Violence Against Women to carry out the "Multidisciplinary Domestic Violence High Lethality Risk Team Pilot Project" for grant period October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2018.

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