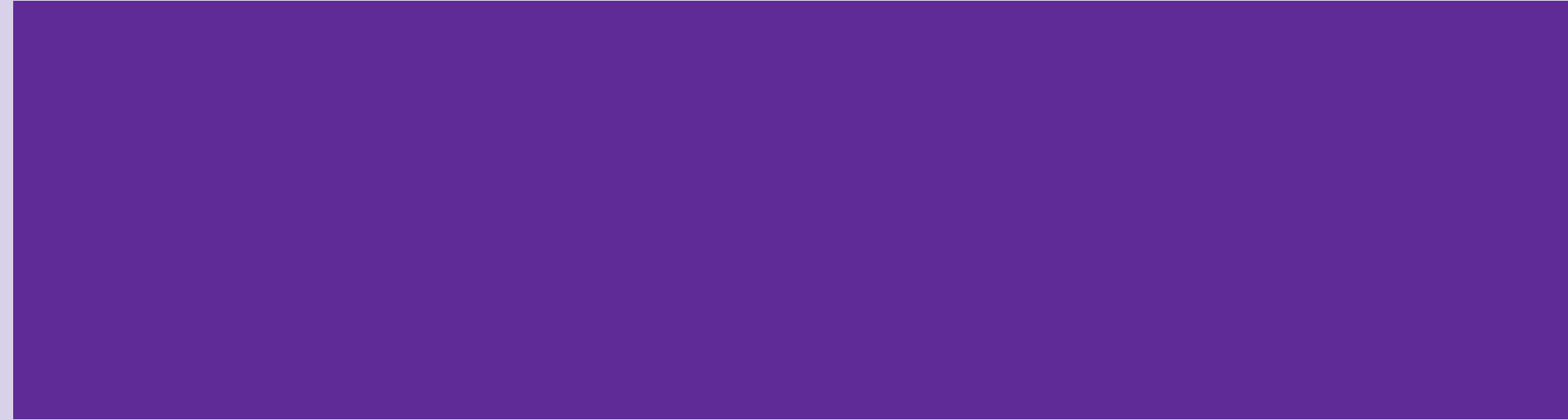


DES/Division of Community Assistance and Development (DCAD)

Breakout session on:

Abuse in Later Life Grant Project Overview &
Application Assistance



Introductions

To better understand the participants, please enter your name, title, email, and organization in the chat.

DCAD Presenters:

Jodi Hekter, DES/DCAD Program Coordinator Abuse in Later Life Grant

Michelle Fulcher, Project Specialist Abuse in Later Life Grant, Organized Affair, LLC

KellyAnne Beck, DES/DCAD Bureau Chief

WHAT IS THE ABUSE IN LATER LIFE GRANT

- Background: The Arizona Abuse in Later Life project is funded by a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Violence Against Women. This project will be coordinated with the assistance of the Community Partners to create a task force made up of agencies that provide services in the areas of abuse investigation, law enforcement, and public administration.
- Grant funds are to be used to increase the effectiveness of the state's response to provide a safe environment for Arizona's senior residents by facilitating coordination and collaboration of the various public and private agencies that serve the needs of seniors.
- Term: October 1, 2020 and terminate on September 30, 2023.

DIRECT SERVICES/EMERGENCY HOUSING

- Needs Assessment
- Strategic Plan
- Housing Specialist/Area Agency on Aging Region One DOVES Program
- Emergency services (25% of budget) can include up to 10 days of hotel stay (food, clothing, and incidental expenses) for victims of late life abuse (50+) that need a safe place to go in a domestic violence situation. Victims need to stay in Maricopa County, but can reside outside of Maricopa County, and need to contact the Housing Specialist for more information.

HOW TO REFER A VICTIM OF LATE LIFE ABUSE (50+)

To request services for emergency funds through the Abuse in Later Life Grant /Area Agency on Aging DOVES program:

Call JaNee Valerio, Housing Specialist

(480)251-7289, M-F 8:00-5:00 pm or

Email: janee.valerio@aaaphx.org

If you need assistance after hours, please call the 24 Hour Senior HELPLINE 602-264-4357 (HELP) or Toll Free 1-888-783-7500. For hard of hearing and deaf, TEXT 520-775-1899 SMS.

When the grant ends in 2023, we will apply for a continuation grant and potentially serve other counties in Arizona, including tribal communities.

*Victims/survivors may move to a shelter once a bed becomes available, if appropriate.

For any other questions, please call Jodi Hekter (Program Specialist Abuse in Later Life Grant) at jhekte@azdes.gov.

Other resources in Arizona

Call 2-1-1 <https://211arizona.org/>

Arizona Coalition to End Sexual & Domestic Violence

<https://www.acesdv.org/>



<https://www.turnanewleaf.org/services/domestic-violence-services/dvstop/>

Safe DV Stop

National Hotline for Domestic Violence

<https://www.thehotline.org/> 800.799.SAFE (7233)

Area Agency on Aging- statewide

<https://www.aaaphx.org/> 24-Hour Senior HELP LINE 602-264-HELP

Community Action Agencies link <https://des.az.gov/services/basic-needs/community-action-agencies>

Other services for DV and SV victims

Maricopa County– safe housing for DV

If you are in a domestic violence situation, immediately call A New Leaf's 24-hour hotline at **(480) 890-3039** or **1-844-SAFEDVS**.

You may also use email dvstop@turnanewleaf.org. Deaf and hard-of-hearing clients can call the video phone at **(480) 351-4027**.

Other Locations– safe housing

If you are outside of Maricopa County, please call the National Domestic Violence 24-hour hotline at **1-800-799-7233**.

Deaf and hard-of-hearing clients can also call **TTY 1-800-787-3224**.

If you are in an emergency situation, please call the National Sexual Assault 24-hour hotline at **1-800-656-4673** or visit hotline.rainn.org.

For non-emergency sexual violence services, call **(480) 733-3028** or email SV_SASS@turnanewleaf.org. To sign up for the RISE support group, [click here](#).

Partners and CCRT

The purpose of a CCRT is to enhance Coordinated Community Response: State and regional leaders will support strategies to increase communication and coordination of community response teams.

CCRT partners—MAG, APS, Area Agency on Aging Region One DOVES program, ACESDV, DV STOP, Phoenix Police Department, Maricopa County Sheriff's Office, Maricopa County Attorney's Office, and about 50 more partners that meet monthly in the CCRT.

Would you be interested in joining the monthly CCR? If so, please put your contact information in the chat box or email jhekteer@azdes.gov

Training provided by NCALL

The U.S. Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women (OVW), is committed to raising awareness and supporting training and services to address incidents of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Through the Enhanced Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program (Abuse in Later Life Program), OVW provides grantees with an opportunity to work collaboratively with project partners to improve the response to older victims and hold offenders accountable through professional training, victim services and a coordinated community response. For more information about the OVW Abuse in Later Life Program, go to www.usdoj.gov/ovw.

National Clearinghouse on Abuse in Later Life (NCALL) will support all of the Grant recipients to follow the guidelines as written in the grant. <https://www.ncall.us/abuse-in-later-life/>

- **Law Enforcement Training**– To provide law enforcement officers with information and strategies to more effectively recognize and investigate elder abuse cases.
- **Prosecutors Training**– To enable participants to manage elder abuse cases from beginning to end.
- **Judicial Education** –To help new and experienced state court judges and judicial officers to improve their skills and ability to respond to cases involving violence against the elderly.

Accessing the Law Enforcement Training Modules

The modules can be accessed at www.elderabuseforlawenforcement.com.

MAKE SURE YOU REGISTER USING YOUR WORK EMAIL FOR REPORTING PURPOSES.

RESOURCE GUIDE ON ELDER ABUSE

Maricopa County Legal Remedies and Victim Resource Guide for Elder Abuse

The English version is now posted in the Document Center on des.az.gov under "AAA-1394A - Maricopa County Legal Remedies and Victim Resource Guide for Elder Abuse."

The direct link to it is here:

<https://des.az.gov/sites/default/files/dl/AAA-1394A.pdf?time=1657554057148>

Pocket card for law enforcement:

<https://des.az.gov/sites/default/files/dl/AAA-1396A.pdf?time=1658268251275>

TRIBAL CONNECTIONS MARICOPA COUNTY

- Salt River
- Fort McDowell
- Ak-Chin
- Pasqui-Yaqui (Tempe)
- Gila River

*We are looking for representatives from tribal communities in the domestic violence division or divisions working with victims of late life abuse (50+)

QUESTIONS for YOU

Is emergency housing (hotel stay for up to 10 days) appropriate and helpful for your tribal community for victims of late life abuse (50+)?

Is there anything your tribal community needs? (Resources, collaboration, information)

QUESTIONS

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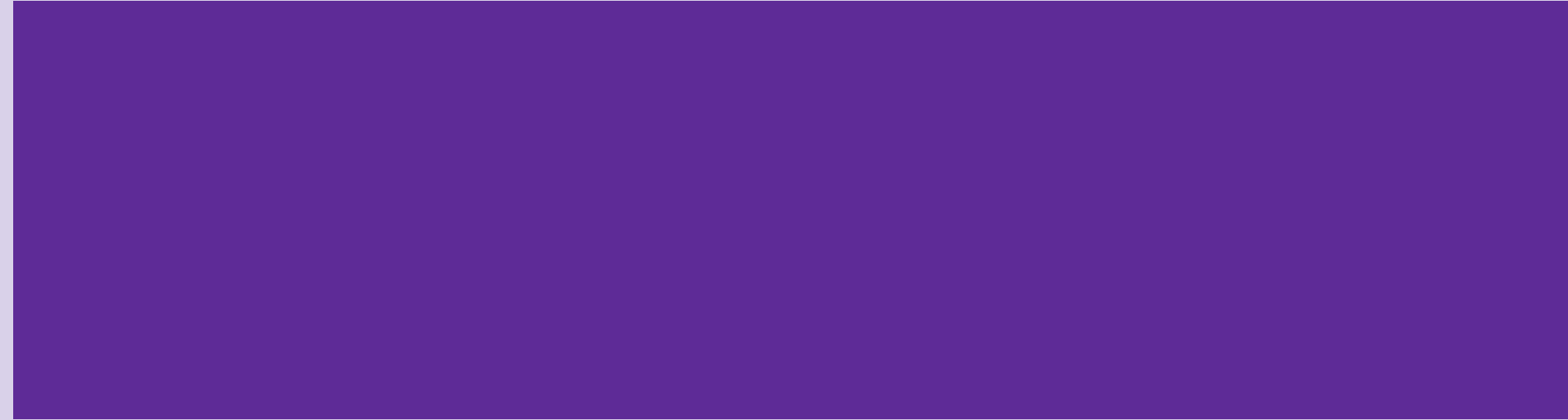
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Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP)

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Emergency Rental Assistance Program Utility-Only

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Homeowner's Assistance Fund (HAF)

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Low Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP)

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Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

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How to Apply

PHONE:

1-833-912-0878 (Rental Asst.)

1-833-453-2142 (Water Asst)

1-866-494-1981 (Utility Asst.)

Paper
Application

Phone or
Fax

APPLY ONLINE:

<https://era.azdes.gov/>

Online

Community
Action
Agency

COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY:

[https://des.az.gov/services/basic-needs/
community-action-agencies](https://des.az.gov/services/basic-needs/community-action-agencies)

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