

Coordinating Community Responses



Family Justice Center
Chattanooga • Hamilton County

Pathways to Hope and Safety

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Family Justice Center Strategic Target Areas

Victim Safety

Offender Accountability



Our Process

Eat that
Elephant
One Bite
at a Time



Figure created by Author based on Brown & Hannis, 2012, p.84



Organizations that lead with vision see themselves as advocates and neighbors first and service providers second.

Recommendations Summary

- Training Law Enforcement, Correctional Staff, DA's, Judges, healthcare professionals, faith communities,
- Case Reviews on high risk cases cases - HRIT
- OOP at FJC -simplify process
- Support with case management to help navigate with police department and health agencies
- More Training on DV/Danger assessment for healthcare providers, MH and Substance abuse organizations
- Free Clinic - for services and urgent care (VIM?)
- More Mental Health Training
- Resource list

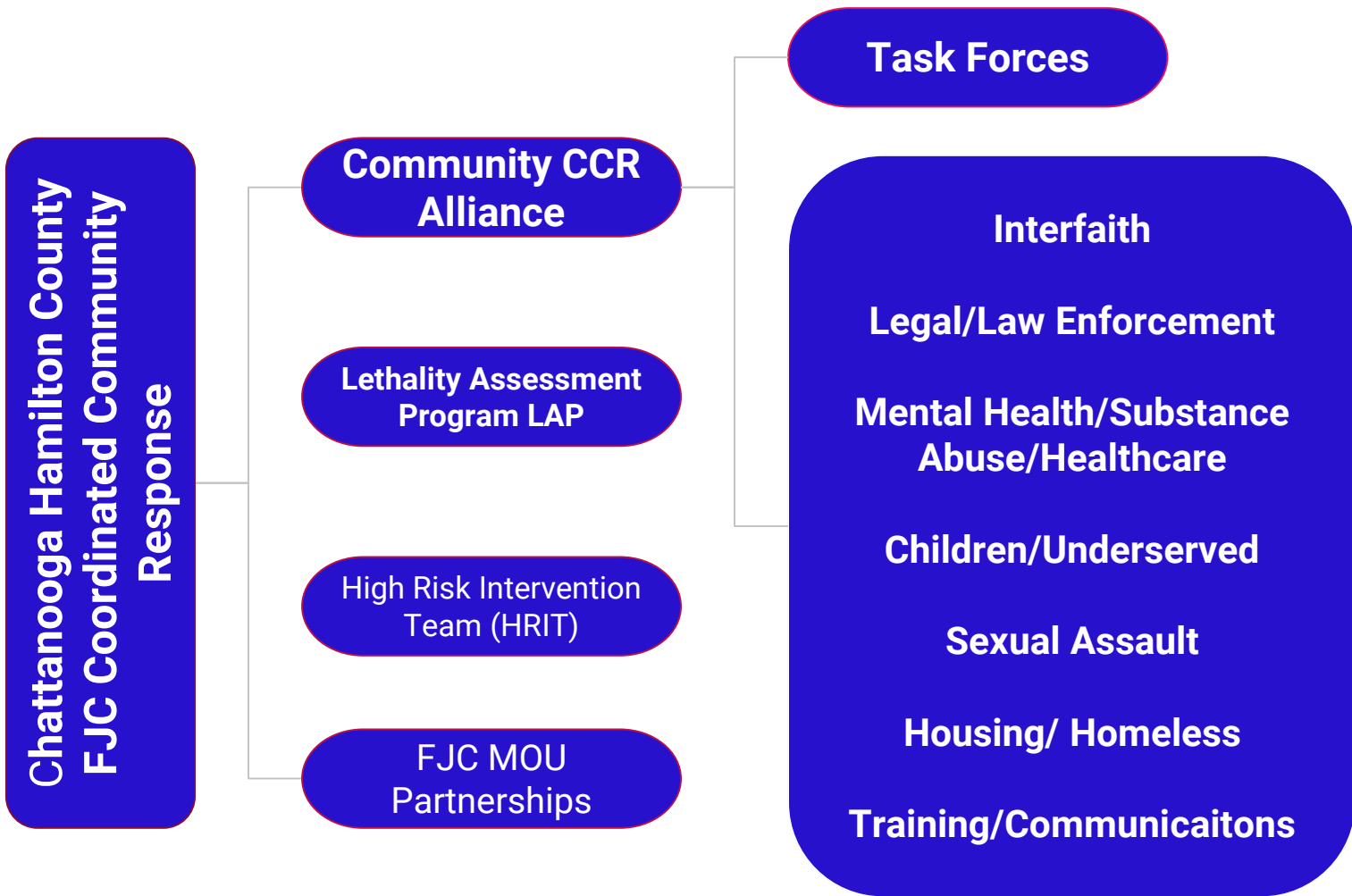


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- More involvement of from Faith communities
- Continuous outreach for homeless individuals experiencing IPV/DV
- Need low barrier shelters (handicapped accessible) for survivors
- Additional safe space/shelter/ easier simplified access






Coordinated Community Response (CCR)

“Promoting a community response to domestic violence and sexual assault that supports healing and hope”

Mission: To bring together individuals, organizations and institutions to promote safety and mutual respect in relationships and reduce the number of domestic violence and sexual assault crimes in the Hamilton County region by improving and strengthening our community’s response.





Developing Task Forces





Role of FJC





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Legal (Law Enforcement and Court)Response TaskForce

Primary Goal: Issues with LE and legal updates related to DV-DA, PD, and LE trainings. Have DA, PD, in meetings for trainings.



Healthcare /Mental Health /Substance Abuse Task Force

Primary Goal: Ensure resource list is updated and comprehensive, accurate, etc.

Start working on presentations-how to refer and how to provide what care (for medical professionals)



InterFaith Response TaskForce

Primary Goal: Clergy Education-email blast- DV awareness month united response from Faith Community and training in August.

Flyer
Conference



Underserved Population/ Services for Children and Youth TaskForce

Primary Goal: Getting into schools and Bystander Intervention



Housing/Homeless/ Shelter Task Force

Primary Goal: To increase awareness Host a series of meetings with landlords- have them sign a pledge to be part of the solution

Sexual Assault Response Taskforce - NEW



SAFE Bar Network

NOTICE. INTERRUPT. SUPPORT.



Partnership
for Families, Children and Adults

Compassion



Support



Justice



*Professionals collaborating to provide the best
care and services to victims of sexual assault*



Community Collaborations/ Response /Training Task Force

Primary Goal: Working on Resources- Unite TN to streamline collaboration between agencies Training May 5th

‘Speed Dating’ networking for agencies (FOOD TRUCKS!) -
Connecting to the Consortium “No Wrong Door”

Lethality Assessment Program



Up to 83% of both parties had contact with criminal justice, victim assistance, and/or health care agencies in the year prior to the homicide.

Partnership with FJC, Partnership, CPD and HSCO

HRIT DV High Risk Team

MITIGATING A THREAT TO THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY

High Risk Intervention Teams
Community Partners



Took us over a year to begin case review - work in progress/
Great support from OFS 3 cases to review next week.



THANK YOU

WHO ARE FJC'S PARTNERS?

