

ALLIANCE TO END ABUSE:

CALL TO ACTION TO
PREVENT VIOLENCE

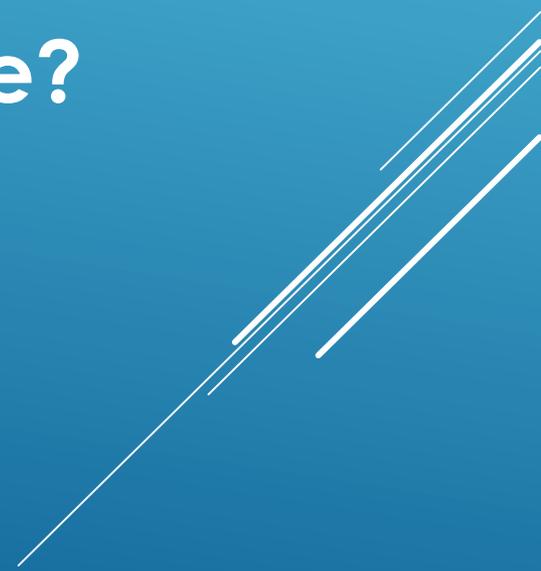
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CONTRA COSTA
ALLIANCE
to End Abuse



MEASURE X – THE CASE FOR VIOLENCE PREVENTION

- ▶ Who are our partners?
 - ▶ How big is the problem?
 - ▶ What is the Call to Action?
 - ▶ How will it prevent violence?
 - ▶ What have been the results?
 - ▶ What do we need?
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ALLIANCE TO END ABUSE:

CORE PARTNERS

- ▶ Contra Costa District Attorney
 - Bay Area Legal Aid
 - Contra Costa Health Services (CCHS)
 - Employment & Human Services Department (EHSD) & Ombudsman's Office
 - Family Justice Center
 - Contra Costa Probation Department
 - Contra Costa Public Defenders Office
 - Contra Costa Office of Education
 - STAND!
 - Community Violence Solutions
 - John Muir Health
 - Richmond Police Department
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VIOLENCE IS INTERCONNECTED



INTERPERSONAL VIOLENCE IN CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

Domestic Violence

In 2019, there were 3,066 domestic violence reports completed by 26 law enforcement agencies.

Elder Abuse

In 2019, there were 5,423 elder abuse calls made to APS.

Child Abuse

In 2020, there were 13,846 child abuse calls made to CFS.

Violence

Sexual Assault

In 2019, there were 320 sexual assault reports completed by 26 law enforcement agencies.

Human Trafficking

In 2020, there were 50 human trafficking victims identified by Contra Costa's Human Trafficking Task Force

VIOLENCE PREVENTION – REFRAMING THE APPROACH & ADDRESSING THE GAPS

- The partners to the Alliance to End Abuse have a long and collaborative history of an “interventional” approach to addressing violence.
- And these professionals and many community partners recognized that something was missing. That there was a gap in our strategy.
- In February of 2020 the Alliance adopted a **CALL TO ACTION** – Preventing Interpersonal Violence.
- This was a profound shift and one that far better recognizes the opportunity to address the root causes of these acts of violence.

CALL TO ACTION

1. **Build Sustainable Infrastructure**
 2. **Foster Early Childhood Development**
 3. **Encourage Community Trust & Connectedness**
 4. **Improve Economic Stability**
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CALL TO ACTION

- ▶ **Since its' 2020 launch, the Call to Action has come to life:**
 - ▶ **Generations Connect**
 - ▶ A multi-generational, online group of teens and older adults that met to build skills and learn from each other about interpersonal violence
 - ▶ **Family Violence Prevention Task Force**
 - ▶ A multi-sectoral collaborative of several Alliance partners that met from the beginning of COVID in order to address the rise in family and domestic violence, as well as child abuse and elder abuse.

A TRANSFORMATIONAL INVESTMENT - MODEST FOR ITS BENEFIT

- Bringing forward a **root causes, social determinant approach** to violence prevention
- Aligning partners to achieve an **integrated systems approach**
- Striving to use an **equity lens**

A TRANSFORMATIONAL INVESTMENT - MODEST FOR ITS BENEFIT

- → www.contracostaalliance.org
- → Learning Center
 - → Call to Action Learning Modules



WORK TO DO

- **Expand** the focus of interpersonal violence and evolution of **the CALL TO ACTION** to **include hate and racial based violence**.
- Achieve **sustained downward trajectory in annual frequency** and 5 year trends of **violence**, by type, are trending downward in 2022 (measured in 2023 and beyond).
- Many **fewer families, individuals and communities are traumatized** by the devastating impacts of **acts of inter-personal violence, hate, and aggression**.

MEASURE X REQUEST

\$4 MILLION/YEAR

Unmet Needs

- Building Sustainable Infrastructure
 - Civil Legal Assistance: \$1 million/year
 - Community Victim Advocates: \$500,000/year
 - Community Connectedness \$500,000/year
 - Flexible Financial Assistance: \$1 million/year
 - Public Health: \$1 million/year
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