

## **VOCA Monthly Meeting Minutes October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 - 10:00 am Agenda**

### ***Welcome***

### ***Housekeeping***

- Please mute and put questions/comments in the chat – Questions will be answered.
- The meeting will be recorded and placed on our website along with meeting minutes <https://dss.mo.gov/dfas/victims-of-crime-act/>.
- ASL Interpreters are available in a virtual window.

### ***VOCA/DVSS Staff***

- Site Visits are going well. We will be traveling to St. Louis and Kansas City next.

### ***Quarterly Reports (4th Quarter and Final Narrative)***

- Q4 Reports and Final Narrative (Jul 1 – Sep 30) are due on October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025.
- VOCA staff will enter the data into the PMT system by November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

### ***State GR Reports Q1, Q2, Q3***

- These were due no later than September 19<sup>th</sup>. Fifty (50) are still pending. Please complete and send to us asap.

### ***6-month Extensions (October 1, 2025 – March 31, 2026)***

- Were due no later than September 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Ninety (90) budgets have not been submitted.
- The required signature pages were sent out to everyone on September 23<sup>rd</sup>. If you have not submitted those, they are due immediately (originally due by September 30) per the VOCA Rule. The Special Conditions will be sent out with the Finalized Contract.

### ***3<sup>rd</sup> Party Application Review***

- Still underway.

### ***VOCA Match***

- Please make sure it's on your Data Report and your Expenditure Form.
  - Expenditure sheet by Category, total at the top.

### ***VOCA-Paid Trainings***

- As a reminder, all trainings you intend to pay for with VOCA Funds need to be pre-approved by the VOCA Unit.

### ***Monitoring***

- Dione Pashia
  - No updates

### ***Invoicing***

- New Manager Hiring in Progress
- As a reminder, please copy the VOCA Unit on all Invoice emails sent to Invoicing. The VOCA Unit needs all 3 documents (Inv, Ex, Data) as well.

### ***Available VOCA Trainings***

- Missouri Network Against Child Abuse (MONACA)
  - Oct 10 – Immigrant and Refugee Roundtable, training and chance to network.
  - **Countering Human Trafficking Webinar**
    - **October 22, 2025 - Virtual - 1 to 2 pm**
    - Please join the Missouri Network Against Child Abuse and the Department of Homeland Security's Center for Countering Human Trafficking (CCHT) for a training on human trafficking for service providers supporting children. This briefing will provide **information on human trafficking, indicators to look for, and resources/information available. This webinar is open to CACs and MDTs.**
    - The mission of CCHT is to advance human trafficking law enforcement operations, protect victims, provide public awareness, and enhance prevention efforts. Our goal with this training to ensure participants have the information needed to detect and counter human trafficking.
    - Register Here: <https://mo-naca.coalitionmanager.org/eventmanager/trainingevent/details/1692>
  - **Missouri Office of Prosecution Services**
  - **Presenting Lethality & Risk to the Court**

- **Date:** October 16, 2025
- **Time:** 10:00 - 11:30 am
- **Location:** Virtual
- **Cost:** Free
  
- Detective Edsall will list lethality & risk factors in family violence cases, in the context of the newly approved Missouri Supreme Court Commission to Combat Domestic Violence and Human Trafficking's Lethality & Risk Assessment Bench Card. She will discuss the Missouri Supreme Court's rules governing the Court's decisions relative to bonds and arrest warrants in criminal cases and make recommendations as to how best to present these to the court.
  
- The Bench Card can be used by all individuals in the multi-disciplinary team in assisting to keep the victim safe from the defendants.
  
- [Click here](#) to learn more or to register.

#### The Missouri Children's Justice Act Taskforce is sponsoring -

##### *Show Me a Helping Hand Conference*

**Date:** November 6, 2025

**Location:** East Central College in Union, MO

Show Me A Helping Hand is a one-day conference featuring speakers with expertise covering a variety of child and family related topics with a focus on safety and child welfare. The conference is in Union, Missouri for those attending in person. There is a virtual option, however, continuing education credits will not be available to those attending virtually. All MDT members are welcome and there is no registration fee. A limited number of hotel rooms are available the night before for those who register by October 1st (Today!).

[Download a flyer](#) for your MDT here and [register here](#).

- John Melzer, Department of Social Services
  - No updates
  
- MOCADSV
  - [Training Opportunities - Missouri Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence](#)  
[Missouri Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence](#)
  
  - **IRSR (Immigrant and Refugee Services Roundtable) – Zoom webinar**

- October 10, 2025 - 10: 30 AM - 12: 00 PM
- This IRSR meeting will bring advocates, attorneys, and immigrant service providers together to connect with one another, share resources, and discuss emerging trends. Esperanza United will provide a presentation about current public policies that impact immigrant communities.

**DVSS Monthly Meeting Minutes**  
**October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025**  
***Immediately Following the VOCA Monthly Meeting***

***FVPSA Contract Updates***

- Released to the agencies and were due no later than September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Still waiting on a few, so please send those to us ASAP.
- ARPA Funds must have been spent by September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025 (Include on the October 15<sup>th</sup> Invoice).

***Match FVSPA***

- Please remember to report your 20% Match for FVPSA when invoicing.

***DVSS Trainings***

- Janelle – MOCADSV
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