



**Monroe County Domestic Violence Coalition
Meeting Minutes
August 18, 2017**

Mission: The Monroe County Domestic Violence Coalition is committed to improving our community's response to domestic violence issues through communication and coordination of services.

Attending: Julie Robertson (Probation), Ron Smith (Indianapolis Counseling Center), Corttany Brooks (POP), Becky Rose (MCCSC)

Guest: Kirat Sandhu, Training Coordinator, Indiana Coalition to End Sexual Assault (ICESA)

City Staff: Michael Shermis

I. Introductions

Brief introductions were provided.

II. Conference Planning Michael provided a brief update that the RFP was sent out.

III. Staff Update None

IV. Guest Presentation: Indiana Coalition to End Sexual Assault (ICESA)

- Kirat presented on Sexual Assaults & Domestic Violence: Beyond Intersections, Understanding the Crucial Differences in Order to Provide the Highest Level of Service
- Discussed
- What ICESA does
- Forms of sexual violence
- Definitions for sexual assault, coercion, harassment, and violence
- Difference between sexual violence and domestic violence
- The kind of services available for sexual assault and domestic violence survivors
- Statistics for Indiana and nationally
- Underreporting and false reporting
- How to respond to children
- Reporting options
- Resources
- And more...

Kirat will provide her Powerpoint for anyone who requests it.

V. Information Sharing

POP updated us on new members for this upcoming year.

Next Meeting: 12 p.m., September 15, 2017, McCloskey Room, City Hall

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