



"LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PROSECUTION BEST PRACTICES: IMMIGRANT CRIME VICTIMS, LANGUAGE ACCESS AND THE U AND T VISA" 1

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY'S COUNCIL OF GEORGIA
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AGENDA

GOALS OF THE TRAINING

The goals of this training for state and local law enforcement and prosecution agency staff will be to improve attendees understanding of how:

- Investigations can be improved by using language access tools
- Agencies can more effectively hold offenders more accountable by using the U Visa and T Visa certification as a crime fighting tool
- The safety of law enforcement officers, victims, and the community can be strengthened building collaboration to increase the likelihood of battered immigrants to report and provide helpfulness in the criminal investigation and prosecution of the crime.

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Training Day: 8:00am - 4:30pm

8:00 – 8:30 A.M. **REGISTRATION**

8:30 – 9:30 A.M. **WELCOME, OVERVIEW, AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Review agenda and training materials. Review learning objectives for the course

Faculty:

Leslye E. Orloff, NIWAP

Investigator Michael LaRiviere, Salem Police Department, MA

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE DYNAMICS AND DEMOGRAPHICS

This segment will train law enforcement and prosecutors of the dynamics of domestic violence experienced by immigrant survivors and the immigrant demographics of the state (countries and languages spoken). Introduce participants to the US Department of Homeland Security (U.S. DHS) training videos and tools.

Faculty:

Detective Stacey Ivie, Alexandria Police Department, VA

Leslye E. Orloff, NIWAP

9:30 – 10:15 A.M. BEST PRACTICES FOR LANGUAGE ACCESS AT CRIME SCENES

The segment will train law enforcement and prosecutors on how to work with qualified interpreters and provide an overview of Federal language access laws. It also cover best practices for working with Limit English Proficient (LEP) crime victims and witnesses when conducting criminal investigation at domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking and dating violence crime scenes and the prosecution of domestic violence cases.

Faculty:

Detective Shelli Sonnenberg, Boise Police Department, ID Sargent Inspector Antonio Flores, San Francisco Police

Department, CA

10:15 – 10:30 A.M. **Break**

10:30 – 11:30 A.M. U VISA AS A CRIME FIGHTING TOOL

This segment provides an overview of U Visa requirements under federal laws, regulations and policies. Show the U.S. DHS Roll Call video.

Faculty:

Investigator Michael LaRiviere, Salem Police Department, MA

Sargent Inspector Antonio Flores, San Francisco Police Department, CA

11:30 - 12:00 P.M.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND THE T-VISA

This segment discusses the crime of human trafficking as described in the Trafficking Victims Protection Act and the purpose of the T Visa as a crime-fighting tool for law enforcement officers and prosecutors.

Faculty

Detective Stacey Ivie, Alexandria Police Department, VA Sargent Inspector Antonio Flores, San Francisco Police Department, CA

12:00 - 1:15 P.M.

LUNCH (PARTICIPANTS OBTAIN LUNCH ON THEIR OWN)

1:15 - 2:00 P.M.

BEST PRACTICES FOR COMPLETING THE U-VISA CERTIFICATION FORM

This segment will explain the certification form and include information of the U.S. DHS publications and regulations and best practices from U.S. DHS for how the certification form should be completed. Through the role-play faculty demonstrates how law enforcement officers as part of their day-to-day work conducting crime scene investigations obtain all the information that they need to complete the U-Visa certification form.

Faculty:

Rocio Molina, NIWAP

Investigator Michael LaRiviere, Salem Police Department, MA

2:00 - 2:45 P.M.

U VISA REGULATIONS AND WHAT IS HELPFULNESS

This segment will use series of scenarios where participants will work in small groups learning to identify helpfulness in determining certification This segment will use U.S. DHS training videos to assist them in understanding how U.S. DHS expects certifying agencies to assess immigrant crime victim's helpfulness in the criminal investigation and prosecution. Faculty:

Detective Shelli Sonnenberg, Boise Police Department, ID Detective Stacey Ivie, Alexandria Police Department, VA Rocio Molina, NIWAP

2:45 - 3:00 P.M.

BREAK

3:00 - 3:45 P.M.

SPECIAL ISSUES FOR PROSECUTIONS: CERTIFICATIONS AND DISCOVERY

This segment discusses best practices for prosecutors in anticipating and responding to allegations raised by defense counsel to undermine criminal prosecutions. Topics include criminal discovery, developing and presenting times lines, gaining the ability to introduce in the criminal case the victim's prior consistent statements, and identifying the benefits for prosecutors of certifying U and T visas early in prosecutions for the criminal case.

Faculty:

Jane Anderson, AEquitas

3:45 - 4:15 P.M.

POLICIES AND IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

This segment will cover benefits of collaboration between police, prosecutors, and victim advocates/attorneys in cases involving immigrant crime victims. Participants will work on an action plan on building community partnerships with key stakeholders and share the information they learned in this training that they are going to take back and work to implement in their daily work.

Faculty:

Detective Stacey Ivie, Alexandria Police Department, VA Jane Anderson, AEquitas

4:15 - 4:30 P.M.

RESOURCES AND EVALUATIONS

This segment discusses the U.S. DHS and NIWAP resources and NIWAP technical assistance. Participants are provided time to complete course evaluations.

Faculty:

Rocio Molina, NIWAP Leslye E. Orloff, NIWAP