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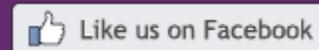
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A Word From Outgoing Board President *Julie Capritto*

"Every new beginning starts from some other beginning's end." -"Closing Time" by Semisonic

Dear Friends and Supporters of DVS,

It is with a joy filled heart I end my time as DVS Board President. The past three years have been rich in experience and personal growth.



During this time I have marveled at the immense commitment and unwavering persistence of our DVS staff, Board and volunteers. Together, they achieved important strategic outcomes, successfully handled unforeseen challenges, evolved in measurable ways and most importantly, increased program support for domestic violence victims and their families throughout the county.

I have been blessed to witness firsthand the resilience of the human spirit and the difference a community in partnership can make. It has been an honor to work beside amazing people. I have learned so much and will be forever thankful. There were so many of you who were patient and provided me with guidance, counsel and wisdom. Your support and confidence were deeply appreciated.

Our work is focused on helping every person who experiences the tragedy of domestic violence move from victim to survivor and lead an abuse free, empowered independent life. I leave the Board in the exceptionally capable hands of incoming President Maura Mitchell who, along with our fantastic Board, will continue our work moving forward. I remain confident, that together, we will create a world where domestic violence is not tolerated or accepted.

With warmest regards and gratitude always,

Julie Capritto

Welcome New Board Officers & Members

We are so pleased to announce our 2017-18 board officers: Maura Mitchell, president; Virginia Wigle, vice president; Jackie Hall, secretary; Ruben Lopez, treasurer. Additionally, we are welcoming three new board members: Mark Juretic, Sarah Moray and Michelle Piotrowski.



Dr. Mark Juretic works Sansum Clinic in the Internal Medicine department at Pesetas Urgent Care & Multi-Specialty Clinic. He received his medical degree from Baylor College of Medicine where he graduated with honors and is board-certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine. He completed his internal medicine residency at the UC San Diego, and received his bachelor's and master's degree at Stanford

University. Previously, Dr. Juretic was the medical director at Pacific Central Coast Health Centers and served as chief of staff at Marion Regional Medical Center from 2011-12.

Sarah Moray is co-founder of DaisyBill. Founded in 2011, DaisyBill is web based software designed to ease the complexity of California workers' compensation billing. Additionally, she often offers her expertise in the form of webinars and



speeches to educate stakeholders on how best to manage billing and convert to electronic claims processing. Prior to founding DaisyBill, Sarah was a consultant in the medical billing industry and worked in medical offices. She has a B.A. in Communication from U.C. Santa Barbara.

In addition to volunteering her time for DVS, she volunteers at Habitat for Humanity of Southern Santa Barbara County, local schools and is passionate about cooking, travel, and river rafting.

Michelle Piotrowski is an active member in the communities of Santa Barbara and Ventura County,



and a professional leader in the Information Technology and Insurance industries. Ms. Piotrowski has over 20 years of experience in project leadership, operations, technology, and business process improvements across multiple industries. Ms. Piotrowski's community leadership roles include President of the Junior League of Santa Barbara 2014-15, JLSB

Sustainer Council member 2016-18, and various hands-on JLSB leadership roles over the past 11 years giving back to the Santa Barbara community. Ms. Piotrowski received her BS in Math from The College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia and is a Paw Pals certified therapy dog handler for VITAS Hospice. Michelle resides in Ventura with her husband Bill.

We Still Need Help!

The Trilogy Club was able to raise enough money to furnish not one, but two rooms at our newly expanded Santa Maria emergency shelter! One will be named in the memory of Elyse Erwin, and the other will be in honor of her daughter Leila.

Unfortunately, we still have **many units** that are **not furnished**.

A little goes a long way. Consider **donating even \$10**. \$10 can buy a blanket to keep a victim warm in their time of need, or simple hygiene items that we need on a daily basis. Encourage your friends and family to donate also!

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." - Helen Keller

[DONATE NOW!](#)

Employee of the Quarter

Maritza Barron-Vaca is a client advocate who has astute calm under pressure. She continues to prove what an asset she is to the DVS team.



Maritza has continuously shown that she genuinely wants to help not only clients but also her co-workers. She is a true professional with the warmth needed to connect with clients.

She is extremely dedicated, organized and hard working. She is an amazing employee and we appreciate all that she does for DVS and the community at large.

THANK YOU MARITZA!!

Other Upcoming Events

Macy's Shop for a Cause Charity Challenge:

Going on now!

- **July 11th - August 9th**

Macy's has teamed up with CrowdRise to host the Macy's Shop for a Cause Charity Challenge - a friendly fundraising campaign for US-based 501(c)3 charities and accredited schools across the country. DVS is participating [visit the campaign website](#) for more details!

Old Town Brew Benefit Night:

- Thursday, July 27th
- 6:00 PM
- 338 W. Tefft St, Nipomo, CA 93444

Old Town Brew in Nipomo is hosting a benefit for Domestic Violence Solutions! Join them for an evening filled with tacos, beer and some fun surprises. A percentage of the proceeds will go directly towards ending the cycle of domestic violence.

40 Hour Training Dates:

Santa Maria

*Community Cornerstone Room
705 South McClelland Ave., Santa Maria*

August - 16, 17, 18, 23, & 24

Santa Barbara

*Community Partner Center, Union Bank
15 E Carrillo St., Santa Barbara, CA 93101*

December - 7, 8, 12, 14, & 15

Trainings are \$225 per person, and run from 8:15 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. For more info or to register please contact Eloisa Patterson at EloisaP@dvsolutions.org or visit our [website](#).

Annual Luncheon:

Save the date for **February 25, 2018!**

Community Partner Appreciation!

[Yoga Vie](#) - Heartfelt thanks to Yoga Vie for hosting a yoga class to benefit DVS! They raised over \$200 for our organization in one evening, we appreciate you all!



[KaiaFIT SB](#) - Organized a beachside workout to benefit DVS! Thank you to Cheyenne Hawks and Kaia FIT Santa Barbara for putting on this butt kicking workout - you all rock!



**Please consider helping local victims
of Domestic Violence:**

Donate Now!

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