

Collaborative Approach to Evidence-Based Prosecution at the Granular Level



Definition: Direction collaboration between Law Enforcement Officers & Prosecutors on individual case by case and issue by issue situations

Goals: Protecting victims & holding offenders accountable

Mindset: Find your people. Change your mindset.
Changing the relationship from adversarial to a team mindset.



- Converse regularly
- Be open to difficult conversations
- Establish expectations and meet them
- Build Trust and reliability
- Be self-aware enough to know your strengths & weaknesses
- Get on the same page
- Be willing to do the work
- Establish a baseline for case staffings



- Staff cases regularly
- Be accessible
- Solve problems together
- Train together to get and give more educations
- Provide accurate and frequent case updates
- Continue to develop the relationship & be a support system
- Stay on the same page
- Stay willing to do the work



- Ask the why
- Explain the why
- Explore strategies together
- Expand the lens of what is collected
- Understand how the information collected can be used for prosecution triage
- Understand how the information can be used at trial – Guilt/Innocence & Punishment
- We may never know how that information can connect so be thorough
- Discuss and explore strategies for handling Motions to Increase Bond
- Discuss and explore strategies for handling complex cases (example: Harassment – Stalking)
- Assess the cases
- Develop charging strategies
- See positive trends in results
- Incorporate strengths as a standard



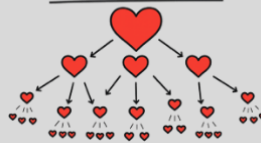
- Further investigations after cases are filed
- Find errors and ways to correct them – in the case itself and systemically
- Be able to further prosecution despite the case issues
- Find new offenses if the original charge is no longer viable



- Share good practices and successes
- Improve reports, investigations and documentation to increase better prosecution opportunities
- Learn new tools
- Discover new problems. Create & share solutions
- Report writing matters
- Teach prosecutors on-scene protocols
- Teach law enforcement rules of evidence

OUR CHALLENGE TO YOU

PAY IT FORWARD!



- ♥ Share your people.
- ♥ Share what you learn.
- ♥ Knowledge is POWER. Use it COMBAT the violence.
- ♥ Network the network.
- ♥ Practice these concepts with those less experienced.
- ♥ Let your LEGACY live after your gone.
- ♥ Find YOUR formula and find YOUR magic.

**** Disclaimer**** *This is what worked for us as we worked cases together. Each relationship will be different. Find what works best for your community.*



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