



COMBATING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TRAINING CONFERENCE

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SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

The Domestic Violence Crime Scene – The Silent Witness Screaming to be Heard

Presented by Kimberly Korrin

Despite significant advancements in law enforcement in recent years, many aspects of domestic violence investigations remain antiquated and overlooked. While crime scene attention is prioritized in homicides and other "major" crimes, domestic violence calls often receive less scrutiny. When these scenes are taken for granted, critical evidence is lost, leaving investigations reliant on verbal accounts alone. This lack of thorough documentation can weaken arrest and prosecution opportunities and leave victims at risk of continued and escalated harm. This session emphasizes how applying the same methodical practices used in major crimes can elevate non-fatal domestic violence cases. Investigators never know which detail may prove pivotal-sometimes it is the smallest piece of evidence that shifts a case from probable cause to proof beyond a reasonable doubt. Participants will learn practical strategies for identifying and documenting evidence that speaks when victims cannot or will not. Focused areas include recognizing patterns of coercive control in the environment, capturing photographic and digital evidence, preserving trace and physical details often overlooked, and documenting injuries and property damage with an eye toward corroboration. Through real case examples and investigative strategies, attendees will gain tools to "listen to the crime scene," strengthen reports, inform decision-making, enhance victim safety, and support stronger prosecutorial outcomes.

From Chaos to Clarity: Domestic Violence Reports and Affidavits

Presented by Kimberly Korrin

Crimes involving intimate partners are some of the most complex to investigate and the most difficult to translate into words. The presenter will offer strategies to bring calm to chaos while producing reports and affidavits that accurately depict the events in a clear, detailed and easily consumable manner. Using real-life examples this session will focus on the importance of capturing evidence beyond the elements of a crime by also documenting dynamics of control and fear, corroboration of truthful and untruthful statements, high risk factors, and the detection of patterns through the review of historical patterns. The

presenter will offer insights on how to be thorough but concise, using effective language, and avoiding damaging and inflammatory language. Attendees will leave with the understanding what is or is not documented can aid or harm current and future investigations, can impact judges' decisions on probable cause, bond conditions, and/or whether to release a defendant from custody, and can influence case reviews as prosecutors make charging decisions, prepare for hearings, and develop trial strategies.

Human Centric Interviewing®

Presented by Kimberly Korrin

Building on the foundation of trauma-informed practices, the Human Centric Interviewing® approach reflects the continued evolution of our understanding of human behavior, memory, and the wide-ranging impacts of trauma equipping participants with the knowledge and practical skills needed to conduct effective interviews to explore an interviewee's experience across victims, witnesses, and suspects. This model integrates concepts of trauma-responsive care, the body's response to trauma, and the role of authentic human connection. Participants will learn strategies to foster trust, support accurate recall, and create space for individuals to share their experiences in a way that feels safe and respected. Designed for multidisciplinary professionals across the criminal justice system, this session challenges practitioners to move beyond procedure and connect with the person in front of them as a fellow human navigating a complex and often overwhelming-system. At its core, Human-Centric Interviewing® calls on professionals to remain grounded in empathy, curiosity, and authenticity, because above all, the work requires us to be human first.

The Impact of 911 – Beyond the Dispatch

Presented by Kimberly Korrin

Most violent crime investigations begin with a 911 call, yet one of the earliest and most valuable pieces of evidence is often overlooked. Long before officers arrive on scene, 911 recordings may capture fear, urgency, evolving events, spontaneous statements, admissions, background sounds, witness observations, and other critical evidence that can shape the course of an investigation.

This session explores how investigators can leverage 911 calls to build stronger, evidence-based cases that do not rely solely on survivor participation. Participants will learn practical strategies for obtaining and thoroughly reviewing recordings, identifying investigative leads, recognizing evidentiary value, and understanding how early decisions surrounding the 911 call can influence charging decisions and case outcomes.

Using real case studies and interactive discussion, attendees will examine calls made by survivors, offenders, witnesses, family members, and bystanders to better recognize the unique evidentiary value each can provide. Participants will leave with a greater appreciation for the 911 call as more than the beginning of a police response, but as the foundation of a stronger investigation, a stronger prosecution, and ultimately safer outcomes for survivors.

Leadership, Liability, and Lives – Confronting Officer-Perpetrated Domestic Violence

Presented by Kimberly Korrin

Officer-Perpetrated Domestic Violence (OPDV) presents a critical challenge for public safety leaders, one that carries profound implications for victim safety, agency integrity, and organizational liability. When the offender is a member of the profession sworn to protect, the dynamics of power, access, and institutional trust complicate both the response and the accountability process. Drawing from real-world cases and investigative experience, this presentation examines the unique risk factors associated with OPDV,

including misuse of authority, access to weapons, and the impact of organizational silence or minimization.

Participants will learn to move beyond incident-based thinking and focus on offender behavior to include coercive control, domination, intimidation, isolation, and manipulation. This session makes clear, these patterns, escalation indicators, and lethality risk factors are not optional knowledge, they must drive every administrative decision. Effective leadership in OPDV requires more than policy. It requires recognizing risk and acting decisively to protect victims and uphold accountability.

Let's Talk: Tinder Tales and Bumble Fails - Supporting Survivors who have experienced Dating-App Facilitated Sexual Violence

Presented by Crystal Garcia

Workshop Description: Dating Apps account for a significant portion of sexual assaults in both Texas and the US, however many professionals who assist survivors of sexual violence are not equipped to deal with these types of cases. This workshop will explore the unique challenges survivors face when seeking support in advocacy and during the investigative process.

Understanding Complex Trauma and Repeated Sexual Victimization

Presented by Crystal Garcia

Workshop Description: According to researchers, two out of three survivors will be revictimized during their lifetime. During this webinar participants will learn more about working with survivors who have experienced repeated incidents of sexual violence. Participants will learn about the impact of Complex Post Traumatic Stress (C-PTSD) symptoms.

When A Peace Officer Has No Peace – A Survivor's Story

Presented by Christina Dail & Kimberly Korrin

Officer-Perpetrated Domestic Violence is often easiest to recognize when it involves overt acts such as weapons use or visible physical injuries. However, domestic violence more commonly thrives in silence, hidden within the private dynamics of the intimate relationship itself. While the core patterns of abuse are consistent across populations, they are often intensified when one or both parties are members of law enforcement. This session will chronicle the real-life story of a peace officer's abusive relationship with a fellow officer and will highlight coercive control, behavioral red flags, barriers to reporting, safety considerations, investigative challenges, offender accountability, and agency responsibilities.

Witnesses – The Missing Pieces in Domestic Violence Investigations

Presented by Kimberly Korrin

Intimate partner violence is often hidden, leaving law enforcement to rely too heavily on victim and suspect statements. This reliance overlooks a vital source of corroborating and independent evidence: witnesses. While officers may focus on eyewitnesses to the event, effective investigations require broadening that lens. Witnesses can include family, friends, co-workers, neighbors, or even strangers who observe patterns of abuse, behavioral changes, or moments of escalation. Others, such as 911 callers, first responders, and those who encounter the parties before or after an incident, offer critical insight into context and aftermath.

This session will equip participants with strategies to identify, interview, and extract relevant information from diverse witnesses to strengthen and support evidence-based prosecutions. Emphasis will be placed on overcoming reluctance, using trauma-centered approaches, and weaving diverse accounts

into a cohesive case. By expanding how witnesses are defined and utilized, law enforcement can strengthen evidence-based prosecutions, improve victim safety, and enhance offender accountability.

SPEAKER BIOS

Christina Dail

Captain Christina Dail has served with the Travis County Sheriff's Office since 1999 and earned her Texas Peace Officer License in 2002. Throughout her career, she has held a variety of correctional assignments and leadership roles, developing extensive expertise in jail operations, inmate management, facility security, mental health housing, and Central Booking processes.

Captain Dail is certified as a Jail Manager through the American Jail Association and holds multiple advanced certifications from the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement, including Master Peace Officer, Master Jailer, Mental Health Officer, and Instructor. She currently oversees operations for approximately half of the housing units within the Travis County Correctional Complex, one of the largest county jail systems in Texas.

Captain Dail brings more than two decades of corrections experience and leadership to her work. Her commitment to professional excellence, staff development, and operational integrity has made her a respected leader within the agency and the corrections profession.

Crystal Garcia

Crystal M. Garcia is the Content Coordinator at TAASA. She is a dynamic speaker, solo mom, survivor leader, and NSVRC Visionary Voice recipient with 20 years of experience in the movement. During the Obama administration, she served on the White House Task Force to Protect Students from Sexual Assault, which provided guidance to help campuses strengthen their efforts to respond to and prevent campus sexual violence. Crystal is currently a part of the Safe Mothers in Texas initiative at Texas A&M Health Center of Excellence in Forensic Nursing at Texas A&M University, which is working to address gaps in maternal health outcomes. She is a proud Texas Tech Alumni, where she earned a Bachelor of Science in Health with a double minor in Exercise and Sports Science and Addiction Studies. She holds a Master's Degree in Population Health Management from The Johns Hopkins School of Public Health.

Kimberly Korrin

Kimberly Korrin is a veteran investigator, respected trainer, and relentless advocate for stronger responses to violence and victimization. A retired detective with 31 years of service at the Travis County Sheriff's Office, Kimberly built a uniquely broad foundation across the agency's Corrections, Law Enforcement, and Administrative Bureaus, giving her an uncommon systems-level understanding of the criminal justice process. In addition to her primary role as a detective, Kimberly held additional duties as a team leader of the Crisis Negotiation Team and as an Adjunct Instructor.

For nearly 8 years, Kimberly specialized in investigating non-fatal, non-sexual intimate partner violence crimes, earning the trust of survivors and the respect of colleagues through her thorough investigations, collaborative approaches, and unwavering commitment to victim safety and offender accountability. She proudly served on the Domestic Violence High Risk Team, helping navigate some of the community's most dangerous and complex cases.

Today, Kimberly is the founder of The Blue Opal Collective, LLC, where she translates decades of frontline experience into impactful training and consulting for law enforcement and criminal justice professionals. Kimberly's mission is simple: help professionals do hard work better—through practical wisdom, evidence-based strategies, and lessons learned in the field.