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**A Roadmap to Success: Building a Co-Responder Program for Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking**

**Empowering Communities, Enhancing Safety**

Are you ready to enhance the way that you address domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking? **“A Roadmap to Success: Building a Co-Responder Program for Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault and Stalking”** is your guide to creating a powerful partnership between law enforcement and victim advocates that will strengthen your communities.

**What Is a Co-Responder Program?**

Co-responder programs are comprised of teams that are made up of a law enforcement officer and an advocate working side-by-side. These teams provide support to victims of Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) crimes, improving law enforcement response and enhancing access to services for victims.

**Why Co-Responders?**

The mission is clear—to provide greater access to justice for victims. Co-responders bridge gaps, ensuring that no one is left behind, especially those from marginalized and underserved communities. Navigating the criminal justice system can be overwhelming for victims. Co-responders lighten the load, reducing stress on agencies and promoting a more efficient response. Co-responder programs foster stronger relationships between law enforcement and community-based organizations. Together, they create a safety net that supports individuals and families in crisis.

**Our Multidisciplinary Team**

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Description automatically generated**Behind this roadmap stands a powerhouse of expertise. The team includes law enforcement professionals, community and systems-based advocates, national experts, legal minds, and academics—all dedicated to ensuring the successful implementation of a co-responder program.

**What’s Inside?**

* **Core Components:** Uncover the essential building blocks of co-responder programs.
* **Model Options:** Explore different co-responder models tailored to community needs.
* **Assessments:** Is your jurisdiction ready? Community and organizational preparedness assessments help you to evaluate readiness.
* **Team Composition:** Who’s on the dream team? We’ve got it covered.
* **Training Suggestions:** Sharpen your skills with our training recommendations.
* **Sustainability Keys:** Understand the elements to support program longevity.
* **Success Metrics:** Measure impact, celebrate victories, and learn from challenges.

**Safety First, Always**

Every action during a co-response revolves around the victim’s imminent safety. While officers secure the scene and continue their investigation, advocates assist victims as they cope with trauma and make decisions for their family.

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Whether you are in a bustling city or a rural community, adaptability is key. Co-responder models mold to fit your unique jurisdiction.

### ****Join the Movement****

Ready to make a difference? Use the QR code to dive into the roadmap, ignite conversations, and build a safer world, one co-response at a time.

**Use the QR code to access the Guide!**

**Interested in Developing a Co-Responder Program for Your Jurisdiction?**

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