

**APPLICATION FOR IDAHO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COURT**

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COURTS. The district court in each county may establish a domestic violence court in accordance with the policies and procedures adopted by the Supreme Court based upon recommendations by the Children and Families in the Courts Committee (CFCC) as authorized pursuant to section 32-1409 (1), Idaho Code.

**Date of application:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Judicial District:** \_\_\_\_\_

**County/ies:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Each Domestic Violence Court (DVC) request shall include a detailed plan, which incorporates the following elements deemed essential for the operation of all domestic violence courts:**

**1. Eligibility of participants**

Describe your domestic violence court model and how participants will be identified for entry. Be sure to describe whether your model will include cases that have been amended from initial domestic violence charge and whether your court will require these cases to participate in your domestic violence court. If needed, attach any diagrams, flow charts etc. that outline the court model.

**2. Expedited hearings**

Describe the process including proposed timeline(s) for expedited hearings. Include target time period between the date of incident and arraignment, pre-trial conferences, hearings, trial setting, probation violation and disposition.

**3. Case Management and Case Coordination**

a. Identify the type of cases that will be heard by the domestic violence court.  
(please check all that apply)

- Misdemeanor domestic assault or battery                       Felony domestic assault or battery
- Other criminal cases (please describe) \_\_\_\_\_

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- Divorce     Filiation     Child custody     Child Custody modifications  
 Civil protection orders     Child protection  
 Other civil cases (please describe) \_\_\_\_\_
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- b. Provide a detailed description of the domestic violence court coordinator's role and primary responsibilities.
- c. Provide a detailed plan for case coordination and case management and how it will be accomplished.
- d. Provide a description of resources and services that will be available to victims and family members.

#### **4. Supervision of Progress**

- a. Describe the responsibility of key stakeholders for the monitoring of offenders, (i.e. judicial and other court staff, treatment providers, etc.).
- b. Describe probation's role and responsibilities in your domestic violence court. Will probation officer(s) have specialized training and knowledge of domestic violence? Will probation be present for judicial review hearings? How will probation officer(s) ensure the reporting of offender progress to the court?

#### **5. Evaluation and Assessment of Offenders**

- a. Describe how, and at what point domestic violence court participants will undergo initial evaluation/assessment of risk and how the court will re-assess the participant's level of risk throughout the probationary period.
- b. Identify, if applicable for your court model, risk assessment tools to be used in the assessment of participants.

#### **6. Treatment and Treatment Providers**

Describe the primary role and responsibilities of community treatment providers in your domestic violence court.

**7. Collaboration with Key Stakeholders**

- a. List stakeholders that will participate on the Domestic Violence Court Implementation and Oversight Team.

<u>Stakeholder</u>	<u>Primary Responsibilities</u>
_____	_____ _____ _____
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- b. List stakeholders who will participate on your Domestic Violence Court Treatment Team.

<u>Stakeholder</u>	<u>Primary Responsibilities</u>
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**8. Courthouse Safety**

Briefly describe the proposed domestic violence court security plan.

**9. Evaluation and Monitoring of Domestic Violence Courts**

Evaluation and assessment of domestic violence courts is critical for effective operation and the realization of program goals. The CFCC domestic violence court subcommittee has identified statistical information that shall be reported to the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) including but not limited to the data listed below. Describe who will be responsible for collecting and reporting to the AOC the following information: (i.e. DV court clerk, DV court coordinator, probation)

1. Number of victims served \_\_\_\_\_;
2. Total number of offender review hearings held and average per offender \_\_\_\_\_;
3. Total number of judicial contacts with offenders and average per offender \_\_\_\_\_;
4. Probation violations, reasons for violation and sanctions received \_\_\_\_\_;
5. Demographics of victims/offenders, including but not limited to, age, relationship, gender \_\_\_\_\_;
6. Number of new cases filed on current and past domestic violence court participants \_\_\_\_\_;
7. Number of domestic violence cases filed, dismissed, acquitted, disposed \_\_\_\_\_;
8. Number of civil cases heard by the court \_\_\_\_\_;
9. Time from date of alleged offense to disposition \_\_\_\_\_;
10. Time from date of offense to implementation of offender's treatment plan and court ordered treatment \_\_\_\_\_;
11. Time between minor violation and imposition of discretionary time or intermediate sanctions \_\_\_\_\_;
12. Date of probation violations and time until appearance in domestic violence court \_\_\_\_\_;
13. When applicable, any statistical data required by a grant.

**10. Budget**

Provide a detailed budget for domestic violence court which includes the domestic violence court coordinator position and expenses to operate the domestic violence court, listing resources available from the county and other sources.

**11. Training**

Describe training that court personnel and key stakeholders such as prosecutor, public defender and probation have had and identify future training needs.

_____	_____
Administrative District Judge	Date
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Trial Court Administrator	Date
_____	_____
Domestic Violence Court Judge	Date

**Please mail completed application to:**  
**Statewide Domestic Violence Court Coordinator**  
**c/o IDAHO SUPREME COURT**  
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**P.O. BOX 83720**  
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