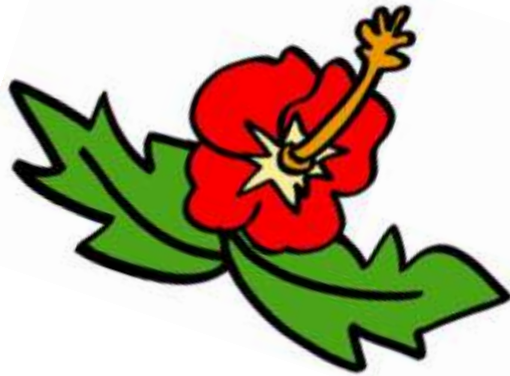




# PPDVP

Greetings, Kia ora, Kia orana, Malo e lelei, Talofa lava, Kam na mauri



**PPDVP Conference**  
**9 - 13 September 2012**  
**Nadi, Fiji**



**Graphic Recording : Country Presentations**



New Zealand Government



New Zealand  
**POLICE**  
Nga Pirihimana O Aotearoa

# GUAM

## Police

Family Justice Centre approach used - one stop shop



Have process & protocols

Police know DV policy  
Attitudes are changing

## Policy:

- mandatory reporting
- perpetrator kept in goal overnight



Catholic Social Services opened women's shelter in March 2012

Along with shelter provide services/necessities & referrals, sometimes advocate  
Applied for grant to provide transitional housing

Where is tragedy & children left behind they can be in shelter

Victims need to be empowered to make change

As child is exposed to violence we can bring in child protection services

Use this as a frame to encourage women

# NAURU

## Difficulties:

- No DV Legislation
- Island small - everyone knows everyone
- No anger management services
- Victims not reporting / following up
- 24/7 protection / security at safe house

Is awareness of services - police refer clients to social services

Judges in Guam are big on child protection



Look at reunification - addressing issues

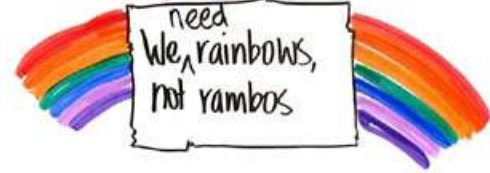
Most police are aware & attitudes are changing

Stop the Violence Against Women & Children



established by Womens Affairs

Provide counselling & programs eg: "Building Families for Life"



# MARSHALL ISLANDS

Women United Together Marshall Islands (WUTMI)

- not a service provide - partner with other agencies

## iBRAVE

2nd year of 3 year project funded by UN Trust to end violence Against Women

- ✓ public awareness "Family First"
- ✓ legislation / policy

## Difficulties:

- Cultural Issues around reporting
- No official safe house
- Limited counselling services - none specialise in DV
- No proper response / procedures - need for training
- Need budget & implementation of DV & Prevention Act

particular focus on men / boys

our responsibility



Attitudes to DV are changing - there is a discourse about it - in the media



# KIRIBATI

Police have procedures &  
work well with crisis centre  
& others

## Difficulties:

- cases unreported by community
  - case back log with prosecutor
  - lack knowledge of reoffending?
- violence against women is common & is seen as family matter

Coordination with SafeNet  
& is media campaign



Police need refresher course



- shelter
- counselling
- Alcohol Awareness/ Recovery

Domestic Violence is a real problem

opened in 1993  
extended 2011 with Counselling room

- encourage women to report DV to Police

- difficult to provide top security
- women return to partners, so cycle of violence continues

Domestic Violence is not a family matter, but a serious crime

# TUVALU



2011 = 6  
Jan-Sept 2012 = 9  
provide:

- legal advice
- counselling
- legal representation

- Is directive for no drop policy & is police disciplinary policy re. DV
- process cases like other criminal cases

## Difficulties to Overcome, include:

- Specific law in process
- No safe house
- Victims withdrawing cases
- need for prompt action in court process
- Internal challenges include:
  - limited resources & capacity
  - lack of commitment
  - organisation culture (DV seen as family matter)
  - poor case management
  - no specialist DV unit
  - need training in outer islands
  - need to estab MOUs

Fight Against Domestic Violence

No Domestic Violence Victims in future

Police  
Govt  
NGOs

# POHNPEI

We're at the CONCEPTUAL PHASE

No specific Legislation

- is in process

Police

Don't have specific unit to handle DV cases but have Coordinator

Policy has recently been finalized

approach: to change attitudes of offenders

2011 started awareness campaign through Pohnpei Womens advisory council 16 days of activism against gender violence, included White Ribbon Day



Violence against WOMEN not my culture

DV is there; it is behind closed doors

# PALAU

systems & processes are developing

## DIFFICULTIES:

- Lack of reporting & lack of commitment to follow through
- No law - 2 pending
- No temporary shelter
- Lack of funding to help victim
- Shortage of manpower to follow up with victims
- Police don't have proper training but have sensibility

SERVICES are available

has been lack of coordination & awareness

Now government & NGOs signed MOU

DV is an issue we need to address



paving the way to set up protocols

Violence is not a culture - we don't condone it



services are also available for abusers / perpetrators

Since 2009 have initiated white Ribbon Day & other outreach activities



# SAMOA



Samoa Victim Support Group  
the active NGO

attend cases in court

- shelter
- Home schooling
- Counselling
- Clothing / food / transportation
- awareness raising

and Police working together



and work with other Agencies eg. Ministry for Women



Police have positive attitudes to DV

Would like to expand unit to deal with every serious domestic related cases

each does own out-reach

DV manual, no drop policy drafted, not approved

Issues around resourcing, on going training

Got funding to install camera so victim doesn't have to give evidence in court before perpetrator

most cases to SIVS6 comes through village reps.

provide follow up visitation to to victims/families

services for men provided through church ministries & male counsellors



Link with suicide / attempted suicide

# COOK ISLANDS

Since 2007 been going to outer islands  
can't change overnight



Our people are getting the picture --- people are taking the issue seriously

Provide on-going follow up to families

Database has alerts of repeat offenders

DV manual to be approved

- has no drop policy

Family Law Bill in process

Crimes Act reviewed

Big jump in reporting of DV cases

Advertisements playing during Rugby World Cup

NGO - Womens Counselling Centre

Assess Needs

- identify priorities

- safety issues

monitor family unit

Support hold their hand Referrals

thanks for taking first step

## DIFFICULTIES!

- Funding
- Legal Services eg get non-molestation order
- Reluctance to Report
- Trust in certain officers - pick & choose
- Need for permanent safe home --- a priority



Have mens group



## Needs!

- Funding
- Training
- On going relationship activities
- Safe house





# TOKELAU

Is 2 levels of Government  
National & Village (3)  
Police function nationally &  
under each village council  
Each village has "CEO"

The community  
is starting to  
report cases

## Police

deal with DV in  
similar way to  
criminal cases

The Police  
must take  
the lead -  
their role is  
to keep the  
community  
safe

NGOs: internal  
groups in each  
village

- Womens Group
- Youth & Sports
- Able Mens Group
- and - Church

Healthy  
Communities  
& Opportunities  
for all



## Difficulties to work on:

- Police capacity to deal appropriately with DV
- Counselling Services - for victims & perpetrators (trained)
- Women Police officers needed
- Legislation to be amended & penalties strengthened
- DV policy
- Cultural barriers
- Follow up
- Focal points, nationally & locally
- Ongoing police capacity training
- Data system

# SOLOMON ISLANDS

- 1/3 in world for domestic violence
- 9 provinces
- 1 province has model:



present message widely

create streamlined response

combine skills/resources

involves local organizations dealing with DV including Police

train community members, including men

DV will not be tolerated!



## Difficulties/Challenges:

- police fail to attend reports of DV
- no legislation (refer to criminal law)
- Financial
- Training
- Need for proper documentation & coordination

## Plans:

- Follow up workshops
- Build safe house
- Provide counselling training courses
- secure funding to go to other provinces
- provide training on male advocacy

Things are changing but it doesn't happen overnight.

# TONGA

The more we are together, the happier we'll be!



- Police DV unit established in 2007 & been developed since then
- DV comes under Criminal Offences Act

- Have DV response policy
- Have established procedures & forms
- Is Victim Service

all members of all communities to live in homes free of violence

- take statement
- counselling
- referral

Together Everyone Can Achieve More



## Women & children Crisis Centre

Everything we do is Guided by Her story



victim

- support
- advocacy
- education
- lobbying
- land/property ownership



creating a new life

most difficult barrier is changing attitudes & behaviour

Let's start changing attitudes

# VANUATU

## POLICE

- Sexual offences Unit, estab. 1999
- Family Protection Unit, estab 2010

### Difficulties/Challenges:

- lack of policy to protect victims
- Lack of FP Act knowledge
- insufficient resources
- need to spread to outer islands
- Police attitudes
- maj of police don't know proper DV procedures

and

we're making steps in changing attitudes



no mou but established relationship  
referral  
support  
outreach

## VANUATU WOMEN'S CENTRE

- counselling
- Support
- referral
- safe House
- Research!

Women's Lives & Family Relationships

### Difficulties/Challenges:

- victim's reluctance
- delays in process
- remoteness
- lack of police presence
- victims prefer custom care

Has been a high level of integrity in the FP team

Building Integrity

Building trust in Police

Increase in reporting of incidents to Police