



NEXT DOOR
SOLUTIONS TO
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

MEDIA ADVISORY

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Santa Clara County community leaders come together to support domestic violence victims after the Governor's budget cuts

MEDIA BRIEFING

Wednesday, Aug. 5, 2009

9:30am

401 Halsey Avenue, San Jose, CA 95128

Speakers include California State Senator Leland Yee, California State Assemblymember Paul Fong, Santa Clara County District Attorney Dolores Carr, San Jose Chief of Police Rob Davis, Next Door Solutions Executive Director Kathleen Krenek.

Local agencies impacted by budget cuts: Asian Americans for Community Involvement (AACI), Community Solutions, Next Door Solutions to Domestic Violence, Support Network for Battered Women. Together, these organizations provided almost 20,000 emergency shelter bed nights to women and children in 2008. A funding cut of more than \$800,000 will jeopardize their ability to continue this level of service to the community.

More than 5,000 cases of domestic violence were referred by local law enforcement agencies to the Santa Clara County District Attorney's Office last year. Sadly, three of these cases were homicides.

Without access to a 24/7 emergency hotline, safe shelter, and support services to help victims and their children break free of domestic violence, more women and children will remain in these dangerous, life-threatening situations.

For more information regarding the press conference, please contact Anne Im at (408) 975-2730 x131.

About Next Door Solutions to Domestic Violence

Next Door seeks "to end domestic violence in the moment and for all time," by providing innovative prevention and intervention services to diverse linguistic, ethnic and low-income families in Santa Clara County, California. Next Door sees the issue of DV as an intergenerational cycle of transmission--children of victims and batterers tend to exhibit high-risk behaviors that enable the transmission of self-destruction and violence to continue. By addressing DV from this perspective, Next Door both rebuilds the lives affected by the traumas of DV, and prevents further violence for future generations.