## **Boulder County Domestic Abuse Prevention Project**

Half Year Statistical Report: January – June 2005



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## About the Boulder County Domestic Abuse Prevention Project

Since 1986, the Domestic Abuse Prevention Project (DAPP) has worked to improve the response to intimate partner violence (or domestic violence) in Boulder County. By treating domestic violence as a crime, we strive to raise awareness of the issues to prevent further abuse. The Project is a coordinated effort among law enforcement, the District Attorney's Office, the Judiciary, Community Justice Services, Probation, Private Probation Services, Social Services, battered women's shelters, perpetrator treatment providers and concerned individuals. DAPP acts as a liaison to all involved agencies, monitors the effectiveness of system-wide efforts, and maintains statistics on all reported cases of domestic violence in Boulder County.

Goals of the Project are to:

- Reduce the number of deaths and injuries from domestic violence;
- Increase interdepartmental communication;
- Improve interagency coordination;
- Raise community awareness of intimate partner violence and alternatives to violence; and
- Work with agencies and others to ensure that victims of domestic violence are provided the best possible services.

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### **DAPP Advisory Board**

DAPP's Advisory Board, appointed by the Board of County Commissioners, consists of members from within the criminal justice system as well as agencies and individuals from the community. The Board makes recommendations to the Project staff regarding the status of the Project and any changes needed to improve our community's response to domestic violence. DAPP staff would like to thank the current and former members of the 2005 Advisory Board for their continued support:

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## **DAPP Update**

Special Note: This document is only a partial mid-year and second quarter report for 2005. Due to temporary staffing changes, the complete and updated report will be released this fall. Please contact DAPP staff with questions about current statistics and reports.

## **Boulder County Domestic Abuse Prevention Project (DAPP)**

## All Case Summary

## Second Quarter April - June and Half Year for 2005

Total Formal Cases\* = 603 and Total Informal Cases\* = 249

Law Enforcement Agency	_	rt/ No arges	Investig Outsta	(Under ation) & anding rants	Book &	Release	Wai	rant	Sum	mons	Ar	rest	To	tal	(Both	Arrests Parties rged)
	Q2	YTD	Q2	YTD	Q2	YTD	Q2	YTD	Q2	YTD	Q2	YTD	Q2	YTD	Q2	YTD
Boulder	6	20	3	8	0	0	8	13	1	1	89	148	107	190	14	22
Boulder Sheriff	5	7	4	13	0	0	5	9	0	0	40	79	54	108	0	2
Erie	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	6	2	6	0	0
Lafayette	0	4	0	2	0	0	0	3	0	0	33	57	33	66	2	4
Longmont	60	121	17	27	0	0	26	44	0	0	99	196	202	388	8	16
Louisville	14	32	1	3	0	0	4	4	0	0	13	33	32	72	0	6
Nederland	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	3	0	0
University of Colorado	3	11	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4	5	7	17	0	0
Ward	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other**	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0
Total	88	196	25	53	0	0	46	77	1	1	280	525	440	852	24	50
Percent Total	20%	23%	6%	6%	0%	0%	10%	9%	0%	0%	64%	62%	100%	100%	9%	9%

#### Percent Change for all Domestic Violence Cases from YTD 2004 and YTD 2005

	Summon Arrest Total **	Summon	Warrant	Book and Release	Investigation) & Outstanding Warrants	Report	
<b>YTD 2004</b> 214 45 1 81 3 508 852 58	3 508 852	3	81	1	45	214	YTD 2004
<b>YTD 2005</b> 196 53 0 77 1 525 852 50	1 525 852	1	77	0	53	196	YTD 2005
<b>Percent Change</b> -8% 18% -100% -5% -67% 3% 0% -14%	-67% 3% 0%	-67%	-5%	-100%	18%	-8%	Percent Change

<sup>\*</sup>Formal Cases are defined as full custody arrests, book and releases, warrants, and summons. Informal cases are defined as incident reports (no charges), open (cases needing further investigation), and outstanding warrants.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Both cases from Other agency for this quarter are from DA's Office.

# Formal Cases January - June 2005

## Formally-Charged Cases by Sex

Law Enforcement Agency	Number of Male Defendants	Male Arrest Rate Percentage	Number of Female Defendants	Female Arrest Rate Percentage	Total	Percentage of Total Formal Cases
Boulder	122	75%	40	25%	162	27%
Boulder Sheriff	65	74%	23	26%	88	15%
CUPD	5	83%	1	17%	6	1%
Erie	4	67%	2	33%	6	1%
Lafayette	44	73%	16	27%	60	10%
Longmont	180	75%	60	25%	240	40%
Louisville	27	73%	10	27%	37	6%
Nederland	2	0%	0	0%	2	0%
Ward	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Other	2	0%	0	0%	2	0%
Total	451	75%	152	25%	603	100%

## **Seriousness of Offense**

Law Enforcement Agency	Number of Misdemeanor Arrests	sdemeanor Arrests Misdemeanor Arrest Rate		Felony Arrest Rate	Total	Percentage of Total Formal Cases
Boulder	133	82%	29	18%	162	27%
Boulder Sheriff	63	72%	25	28%	88	15%
CUPD	5	83%	1	17%	6	1%
Erie	6	100%	0	0%	6	1%
Lafayette	43	72%	17	28%	60	10%
Longmont	176	73%	64	27%	240	40%
Louisville	25	68%	12	32%	37	6%
Nederland	1	0%	1	0%	2	0%
Ward	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Other	0	0%	2	1%	2	0%
Total	452	75%	151	25%	603	100%

## **Recidivism versus First Time Offenders**

Law Enforcement Agency	Number of Recidivists	Recidivist Rate	Number of First Time Offenders	First Time Offender Rate	Total	Percentage of Total Formal Cases
Boulder	22	14%	140	86%	162	27%
Boulder Sheriff	25	28%	63	72%	88	15%
CUPD	1	17%	5	83%	6	1%
Erie	1	17%	5	83%	6	1%
Lafayette	14	23%	46	77%	60	10%
Longmont	68	28%	172	72%	240	40%
Louisville	10	27%	27	73%	37	6%
Nederland	0	0%	2	0%	2	0%
Ward	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Other	1	1%	1	0%	2	0%
Total	142	24%	461	76%	603	100%

## Demographics January - June 2005

#### **Age of Domestic Violence Defendants**

	<18*	18-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50+	Total
Females	2	46	26	14	17	18	20	9	152
Percent Total	1%	30%	17%	9%	11%	12%	13%	6%	
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Males	4	120	85	62	61	53	37	29	451
Percent Total	1%	27%	19%	14%	14%	12%	8%	6%	
Total	6	166	111	76	78	71	57	38	603
Percent Total	1%	28%	18%	13%	13%	12%	9%	6%	

<sup>\*</sup>State statute does not require law enforcement to charge juevenile offenses as "domestic violence"; therefore, the reports are not always flagged and DAPP does not consistently receive juvenile domestics.

#### **Age of Domestic Violence Victims**

	<18	18-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50+	Total
Females	17	142	74	53	56	51	31	22	446
Percent Total	4%	32%	17%	12%	13%	11%	7%	5%	
Males	2	27	30	20	23	13	17	15	147
Percent Total	1%	18%	20%	14%	16%	9%	12%	10%	14/
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Total	19	169	104	73	79	64	48	37	593
Percent Total	3%	29%	18%	12%	13%	11%	8%	6%	

Date of birth (DOB) for 10 victims during the 1st Half of 2005 could not be collected. Data reflects all defendants and victims with documented DOB in all formal cases (arrests, warrants, summons, and book and releases).

#### Highest Level of Education for Domestic Violence Offenders\*\*

	< H.S. Degree	GED	High School Degree	Associate Degree	College Degree	Graduate Degree	PhD	Professional Degree	Unknown	Total
Females	17	9	68	5	22	9	1	0	21	152
Percent Total	11%	6%	45%	3%	14%	6%	1%	0%	14%	
Males	101	21	170	17	53	5	1	1	82	451
Percent Total	22%	5%	38%	4%	12%	1%	0%	0%	18%	
Total	118	30	238	22	75	14	2	1	103	603
Percent Total	20%	5%	40%	4%	12%	2%	0%	0%	17%	

#### **Income of Domestic Violence Offenders\*\***

	<\$5,000	\$5,000 - \$9,999	\$10,000 - \$14,999	\$15,000 - \$24,999	\$25,000 - \$34,999	\$35,000 - \$49,999	\$50,000 or More	Unemployed	Total***
Females	2	4	12	16	7	5	2	62	110
Percent Total	2%	4%	11%	15%	6%	5%	2%	44%	
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Males	6	10	27	44	23	23	25	101	259
Percent Total	2%	4%	10%	17%	9%	9%	10%	19%	
Total	8	14	39	60	30	28	27	163	369
Percent Total	2%	4%	11%	16%	8%	8%	7%	44%	

<sup>\*\*</sup>The source of education and income data is from Bond Commissioner interviews and 602 defendents were eligible for an interview.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>The annual income of **184** employed DV offenders varied or was unknown. **6** defendants were retired and **3** were disabled. The employment status of **40** defendants was unknown.

## Incident Information January - June 2005

#### Relationship Between Perpetrator & Victim

	Married	Living Together	Dating	Common Law Married	Ex-Dating/ Living Together	Separated	Divorced	Unknown	Total
Number of Cases	157	114	111	10	146	35	15	15	603
Percent Total	26%	19%	18%	2%	24%	6%	2%	2%	

<sup>32</sup> percent of Boulder County domestic violence incidences involved couples that were separated, divorced or ex-dating.

#### Who Contacted the Police

	Child	Defendant	Victim	Police*	Other**	Unknown	Total
Number of Cases	3	40	316	26	155	63	603
Percent Total	0%	7%	52%	4%	26%	10%	

<sup>\*</sup>This represents incidents where police witnessed the domestic in progress or made initial contact with the parties prior to them reporting the incident to the police.

#### Defendant's Use of Alcohol and/or an Illegal Substance at the Time of Incident

	Boulder PD	BC Sheriff's Office	CU PD	Erie PD	Lafayette PD	Longmont PD	Louisville PD	Nederland PD	Other	Total
Male	52	21	3	0	13	72	12	0	0	173
Female	22	9	0	1	7	23	4	0	0	66
Total	74	30	3	1	20	95	16	0	0	239
Percent Total	46%	34%	50%	17%	33%	40%	43%	0%	0%	40%

#### Victim's Use of Alcohol and/or an Illegal Substance at the Time of Incident

	Boulder PD	BC Sheriff's Office	CU PD	Erie PD	Lafayette PD	Longmont PD	Louisville PD	Nederland PD	Other	Total
Male	23	5	1	0	6	27	4	0	0	66
Female	14	4	0	0	4	13	2	0	0	37
Total	37	9	1	0	10	40	6	0	0	103
Percent Total	23%	10%	17%	0%	17%	17%	16%	0%	0%	17%

#### Both Defendant and Victim's Use of Alcohol and/or an Illegal Substance at the Time of Incident

	Boulder PD	BC Sheriff's Office	CU PD	Erie PD	Lafayette PD	Longmont PD	Louisville PD	Nederland PD	Other	Total
Total Number of Cases	31	6	1	0	9	36	5	0	0	88
Percent Total	19%	7%	17%	0%	15%	15%	14%	0%	0%	15%

#### Victim's Advocate Contacted

	Boulder PD	BC Sheriff's Office	CU PD	Erie PD	Lafayette PD	Longmont PD	Louisville PD	Nederland PD	Other	Total
Documentation of VA Services Offered or Contacted	151	70	4	4	31	177	21	1	0	459
Percent Total	93%	80%	67%	67%	52%	74%	57%	50%	0%	76%

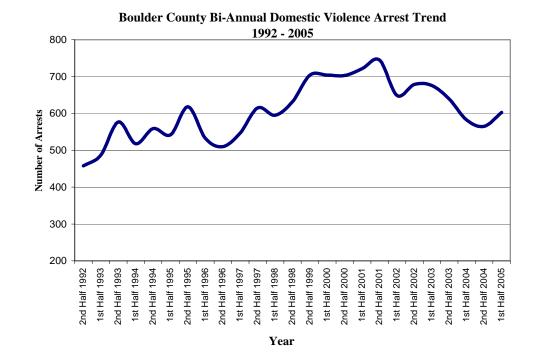
#### Weapons Involved\*

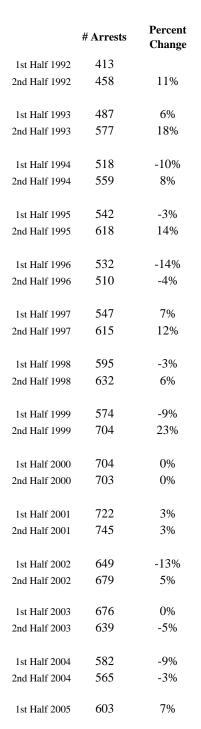
#### Type of Weapon Used

	Mis-	Felonv	Total			Mis- Felony		Total	Percent of
	demeanor	reiony				demeanor	reiony	Total	Cases
Number of Cases	33	41	74		Firearm	2	6	8	1%
Percent Total	5%	7%	12%		Knife	4	23	27	4%
				Someth	ning Else	29	26	55	9%

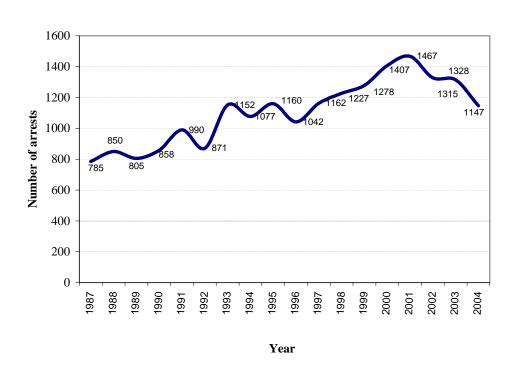
<sup>\*</sup>DAPP defines weapon as anything other than the body used to harm or threaten a victim. Besides knives and firearms, the category of *Something Else* can include phones, rocks, baseball bats, bottles, etc.

<sup>\*\*</sup>This represents incidents reported by neighbors, witnesses, other family members, etc.





### Boulder County Annual Domestic Violence Arrest Trend 1987 - 2004



<sup>\*</sup>Broomfield Law Enforcement Domestic Violence Numbers are included for the bi-annual and annual totals for the period it was a part of Boulder County .