

February 1, 2013

John P. J. Dussich, Ph. D., President Elder Abuse Services, Inc. P.O. Box 19070 Fresno, CA 93790

Dear Dr. Dussich,

Please accept this letter of support for Elder Abuse Services Inc.

RCS Fresno is greatly concerned by the problem of sexual assault and violence against elderly victims in Fresno County. There is a significant and growing unmet need for shelter services for victims of elder abuse who are in crisis and for reduction of risk of future elder abuse.

We believe that a cooperative, community-centered restorative justice strategy can effectively answer the challenge of elder abuse victims in crisis with coordinated prevention, direct and shelter services. Elder Abuse Services could be a valued member of the existing team of stakeholders working to implement these strategies throughout Fresno County. In particular, the unique restorative justice model which Elder Abuse Services is developing has great potential. We therefore offer our support.

Please let me know how RCS Fresno may assist you to build capacity at Elder Abuse Services to perform this important work.

Sincerely,

Monte Jewell Executive Director



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January 24, 2013

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Dear Dr. Dussich:

On behalf of Valley Caregiver Resource Center (VCRC), please accept this letter of support for the mission of the Elder Abuse Services.

We understand this organization will require a strong network of caring individuals to help our seniors and will serve as a model for other communities. VCRC and its affiliated programs, **Caregiver Resource**, **OASIS**, **Ombudsman & HICAP**, offer a comprehensive array of services designed to assist elders and their families master the challenges that accompany the aging process. As long-standing advocates and collaborators in preserving the health and quality of life of others, our aim is to promote personal & community well-being. VCRC connects the over-looked with what they need most in life which we believe is in direct alignment with your goals.

The opportunity to link VCRC with Elder Abuse Services will be a privilege and we look forward to participating with you as we generate awareness to the causes for our elderly population.

Kindest regards,

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Michelle Mastro Executive Director