



Legal Services Committee
September 18,2025

Amy Smith	HCDVCC
Meagan Belovsky	STCL
Alejandra Alvarado	HCDVCC

Amy Smith opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

Meagan Belovsky stated the school has started for the semester and she has 8 students for the Domestic Violence Clinic this semester. They have completed their observations in the 280th and are starting to work with clients on Family Law matters. The video her class worked on last semester is almost finished it is currently with their IT department who is editing the video. She also stated they lost their OAG Victim Services Assistance Grant which should not affect them too much.

Alejandra Alvarado mentioned that one of the DVHRT Mobile Advocates was with a client in the 280th and did not have representation and someone offered to help the client. Meagan stated it should not have been one of her students. Alejandra will follow up to get more details.

Amy announced TCFV's Legislative Update is out:

<https://heyzine.com/flip-book/0d71e432c6.html> She also mentioned that Amanda Elkanick Oder from the Texas Advocacy Project did a Legislative Update at the HCDVCC Community Partner meeting last week the Power Point Slides and note can be found here: https://www.hcdvcc.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/Laws-Over-Lunch_Whats-New-in-Legislation-PDFNotes-1.pdf She also announced HCDVCC is hosting a celebration for the release of the DVAF report and findings from the evaluation of the fund on September 23rd. And finally, HCDVCC and several agencies are hosting a Candlelight Vigil on October 22nd at 6:30 pm at The Montrose Center to honor the lives lost to DV in the past year. More details to follow soon.

Next meeting will be on Thursday October 16th, 2025, at 11:30 via ZOOM.

Meeting adjourned.