

Safety and Justice Reform (SJR) Process

What

Is a Safety and Justice Reform (SJR) process?

A Safety and Justice Reform (SJR) process is a way of analyzing how institutions and systems work, and how safety for domestic violence victims and accountability by offenders are incorporated into the daily routines and practices of criminal justice agency workers. The purpose is to identify gaps in safety for victims and accountability for offenders.

Why

Conduct a Safety and Justice Reform (SJR) process?

A community's criminal justice agencies are committed to creating a safer community. Is our community safer for domestic violence victims and their children? Have our good intentions and reforms helped? The Safety and Justice Reform (SJR) process will help determine that. Our study will focus on our collective efforts to enhance the work of the coordinated community response (CCR).

How

Is a Safety and Justice Reform (SJR) process conducted?

A Safety and Justice Reform (SJR) process is a community-based process, implemented by a local group of practitioners with assistance from Global Rights for Women. Global Rights for Women will assist by collecting data through interviews, focus groups and observations along with analyzing files and other documents involved in processing a domestic violence case.

Who

Is involved?

The following agencies will be part of our Safety and Justice Reform (SJR) process: local women's NGO, police, prosecution, justice, probation, local training groups for criminal justice agencies, and possibly UN Women (possible funding source)

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Would an agency be selected for an interview or observation?

Interviews and observations with practitioners – workers in the systems within the scope of the Safety and Justice Reform (SJR) process – provide important information about how domestic violence cases are processed and how victim safety and offender accountability are built into that process. You are a “co-investigator” in the process, providing perspectives and insights into your own job. The Safety and Justice Reform (SJR) process is **not** a review of any one person's individual job performance, but a review of systems. It looks at how work is organized and coordinated to respond to domestic violence.

Where

Can I learn more?

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