

Law enforcement training in Holyoke

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A POST certified training for law enforcement officers in the 13th Judicial District will be held at the Phillips County Resource Center, 127 E. Denver, in Holyoke, Thursday, April 30 from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Registration begins at 8 a.m.

Domestic Violence: The Law Enforcement Response is a one-day class that provides eight continuing education Colorado POST (Peace Officer Standards and Training) credit hours to eligible participants who complete the class. Also invited to attend are members of area victim advocacy programs.

Trainers are Detective Dave Kallweit, Morgan County Sheriff's Office, Officer Jake Fajardo, Morgan County Sheriff's Office and Yolanda Morales-Leon, SHARE, Inc.

Kallweit has been with the Sheriff's Office for 11 years. For the past two years he has been the Specialized Domestic Violence Investigator funded through SHARE's Office of Violence Against Women Rural Grant. He is SWAT certified and has completed trainings on Advanced Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Response and Enhancing Collaborative Responses to Sexual Violence.

Fajardo has also been part of the law enforcement training team since 2006 and specializes in the area of domestic violence issues and constitutional law.

Morales-Leon has co-facilitated the law enforcement training for the last two years. She has been associated with SHARE, Inc. since 2000, and has worked as an advocate in the area of outreach and court advocacy as well as community education.

The class is presented through a Rural Violence Against Women Grant administered by SHARE, Inc., a domestic violence program based in Morgan County. The Victim Assistant Program of Phillips and Sedgwick Counties is assisting with organizing and publicity for the training.

For more information call Yolanda Morales-Leon, 970-867-4444 ext. 25, or Shawna Bergstrom, Phillips County Victim Assistant, 854-3644.