

# Salem Leadership Meeting Notes

## Participants

Mike Burton  
Dan Estes  
Jack Heims  
Jerry Lorang  
Bob Plame  
Fritz Graham (Sen. Wyden)  
Tom Mann  
Elan Lambert (NAMI Veterans Committee, DHS)  
Sarah McDonald (Marion County BOC)

Elan Lambert presented the Task Force with a one-page outline of a veterans' Jail Diversion and Trauma Recovery Program she is contracted to create for the Department of Human Resources. Her idea is to get stakeholders together to determine how to provide intervention to at-risk veterans. She was told about the Veterans' Court concept that is being worked, as well as a group the County facilitates dealing with mental health and jail issues. She was invited to participate in that County group's meeting, which was taking place directly after the Task Force leadership meeting.

Ms. Lambert then began discussing Military Sexual Trauma, revealing she had been a victim and that she also is a "client" for mental health. She noted that there really is not specific and appropriate care for MST from assessment to treatment, and that outreach is non-existent. She suggested innovate solutions such as placing information in women's restrooms.

The Task Force discussed how to identify women veterans (ODVA can ID them via the DD-214s it receives) and perhaps provide them information. Also, perhaps there could be a warm or hotline for women veterans. More information needs to be put out regarding women veterans issues, including health care and MST. Plus, more training of secondary conditions that could be red flags for MST (depression, anxiety, substance abuse, legal trouble, etc...).

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.