

**ARRA October 2009 Summary Report**  
**Violence Against Women Act & Victims of Crime Act – City Prosecutor’s Office**

The Domestic Violence Victims Assistance Unit has started the recovery project with the hiring of a social worker and prosecutor.

Holly Dodge is a licensed attorney in Colorado, Kansas and Missouri. She worked 5 ½ years in El Paso County, Colorado as a prosecutor. She is prosecuting cases in the City's Municipal Court and working on increased communication with domestic violence victims and witnesses to improve our service to the community & fight family violence crime.

Claudia Drinks is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker. She received her Master’s degree in Social Work from the University of Michigan. Claudia has extensive experience related to social work and mental health services. She has sixteen plus years of experience working with children, adults, and families from diverse backgrounds. Many have had extensive social service and court involvement. In her current position as a Victim Advocate for the Kansas City Prosecutor’s Office, Claudia assists victims of domestic violence and child abuse from diverse, racial, ethnic and cultural backgrounds. As well as populations with limited English proficiency, persons with disabilities, the elderly and the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community providing court information, support, and resources.