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Date: 8/12/2016 9:56:51 AM
Subject: RE: MEDIA OPPORTUNITY -- Test400K "Just Track It" Campaign Launch Today -- Your Governor Will Receive Rape Kit Briefing Package on Wednesday.

I know of nothing, personally, as all of our DV Task Force efforts have focused mainly on DV, rather than sexual assault. For further background, DHEC has staff, programs, and funding dedicated for rape crisis and may know about this specific initiative.

From: Glaccum, David
Sent: Thursday, August 11, 2016 6:45 PM
To: Godfrey, Rob; Patel, Swati; Adams, Chaney; Schimsa, Rebecca
Subject: RE: MEDIA OPPORTUNITY -- Test400K "Just Track It" Campaign Launch Today -- Your Governor Will Receive Rape Kit Briefing Package on Wednesday.

The rape kit backlog issue is a real problem, and a great and noble issue to work on. That being said, not sure us signing this thing moves the ball forward in anyway.

As to things we are already working on, I am unaware of any initiatives coming out of our office on this—certainly none in the year I have been here—but Becca may have greater input because of her work with all of the victims groups.

Let me know if you need anything further on this issue from me.

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From: Godfrey, Rob
Sent: Wednesday, August 10, 2016 5:23 PM
To: Patel, Swati; Glaccum, David; Adams, Chaney; Schimsa, Rebecca
Subject: FW: MEDIA OPPORTUNITY -- Test400K "Just Track It" Campaign Launch Today -- Your Governor Will Receive Rape Kit Briefing Package on Wednesday.

Glaccum/Swati -

Below you will find a request for us to publicly support reforms regarding sexual assault victims. The request is going to governors nationwide. We received the package referenced in the email below. Will y'all/appropriate policy folks review the proposed reforms and let us know how y'all recommend we respond to the request (if at all)? These nationwide, press-driven policy requests come in fairly often, and, if my memory serves me correctly, we don't usually respond to them - but we may already be working on related policy reforms/initiatives in other ways. Let us know. Thanks.

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From: Schimsa, Rebecca
Sent: Wednesday, August 10, 2016 2:14 PM
To: Godfrey, Rob; Adams, Chaney; Symmes, Brian
Cc: Haltiwanger, Katherine
Subject: RE: MEDIA OPPORTUNITY -- Test400K "Just Track It" Campaign Launch Today -- Your Governor Will Receive Rape Kit Briefing Package on Wednesday.

Halti just received it in the mail.

From: Godfrey, Rob
Sent: Tuesday, August 09, 2016 8:55 AM
To: Schimsa, Rebecca; Adams, Chaney; Symmes, Brian
Subject: Fwd: MEDIA OPPORTUNITY -- Test400K "Just Track It" Campaign Launch Today -- Your Governor Will Receive Rape Kit Briefing Package on Wednesday.

Y'all heard of this?

Rob Godfrey
Office of Gov. Nikki Haley

Begin forwarded message:

From: Deanne Benos <d_benos@yahoo.com>
Date: August 9, 2016 at 12:45:29 AM EDT
To: Womensjustice Info <info@womensjustice.net>
Subject: MEDIA OPPORTUNITY -- Test400K "Just Track It" Campaign Launch Today -- Your Governor Will Receive Rape Kit Briefing Package on Wednesday.

Hello! As a followup to our organization's attached email sent to you last week, **Test400K, a national rape kit reform advocacy organization founded by Julie Smolyansky, an Executive Producer of The Hunting Ground documentary**, convened leading advocates from across the country at the NCSL Annual Conference to launch the **"Just Track It" campaign**. We have sent a standard-issue rape kit and **National Call to Action for Rape Kit Testing Reform** to every Governor in the United States via Federal Express Two-Day delivery.

Each of of your Governors will receive their package this Wednesday, August 10th, along a special login code to tour a demonstration of the nation's first and only victim notification and rape kit tracking system that was successfully piloted in February of this year. We have released the unique tracking codes for each Governor's package to media and the public at [Just Track It | Test400k](#), and encourage you to join us in monitoring their delivery.

More importantly, we hope your Governor will join Test400K's national efforts to ensure justice for victims of sexual assault and improve public safety by endorsing the three reform measures outlined in our National Call to Action by August 22nd. Our members will be reaching out this week to each of you to discuss your interest in endorsing these measures and ways we might work together. Should you have any questions in advance, please contact our Executive Director Deanne Benos at deanne@womensjustice.net.

Sincerely,

Julie Smolyansky and Jason Burden, Co-Foundners, Test400K
Deanne Benos, Executive Director, Test400K

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Every 2 minutes in the US, someone is sexually assaulted. Yet, only 3 of every 100 rapists will ever see a day in prison. We can do better. JUST TRACK IT

<http://www.fox32chicago.com/news/local/186912637-story>

From: "info@womensjustice.net" <info@womensjustice.net>

To: Womensjustice Info <info@womensjustice.net>

Sent: Thursday, August 4, 2016 6:15 PM

Subject: MEDIA OPPORTUNITY -- Test400K Rape Kit Org to Federal Express A Rape Kit Briefing Package to Your Governor's Office this Monday, August 8th.

On behalf of ***Test400K Co-Founder and Executive Producer of The Hunting Ground documentary, Julie Smolyansky***, I am writing to let you know that our organization will be hosting a news conference this **Monday, August 8th at 11AM CST** to coincide with the kick off of the NCSL annual conference in Chicago and announce the "Just Track It" campaign.

That morning, we will send your Governor (*along with every Governor in the nation*) a two-day Federal Express package that will include a standard-issue rape kit, along with a request that they sign and endorse the **Test400K National Call to Action** for rape kit testing reform within a two-week period. We will be publicly releasing the unique tracking code for your Governor's package (*and issuing it directly to your office via email*) so that you and the media may monitor the progress of the kit across the country until it is ultimately received by your office. In addition, we will be sending your office an individual login code to observe a private demonstration of the nation's first victim notification and rape kit tracking system online. Test400K will keep the public informed at www.test400K.org of which Governors have endorsed the Call to Action.

The purpose of the **Just Track It campaign** is to highlight how easy and common it is to use tracking codes to send even the most basic packages around the world, but this courtesy shockingly evades most rape victims in the U.S. when it comes to their rape kits. An estimated 400,000 rape kits are backlogged across our nation. This situation has forced many victims to anxiously wait months, years or even decades to receive information about the status of their rape kit, and provides no mechanism to hold law enforcement accountable for their pursuit of the investigation. Lack of such information and this antiquated approach re-traumatizes victims who are anxiously awaiting results and limits the actions of the law enforcement and prosecutors who need the data to arrest offenders and protect the public from serial predators.

We hope that you will find this to be a proactive opportunity to demonstrate your support for ensuring justice for sexual assault victims as well to take important steps to improve public safety for all citizens of your state. If so, you are welcome to email us in advance of the event or upon receipt of the package to indicate your interest in participating in this project or to ask questions. For those Governors that sign the National Call to Action, we intend to promote your commitment and would be pleased to support your efforts in any way possible.

Again, we will issue another email to you on Monday with the unique tracking code for your Governor, and additional materials. We looking forward to hearing from you about your Governor's support!

Thank you!

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