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FAMILY VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT AND CHILD ABUSE HOTLINES REMAIN ACTIVE

District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer issued a reminder to residents of Kern County today that hotlines for Domestic Violence, Child Abuse and Sexual Assault remain manned and available for those in need.

Commenting on the need to continue operation of these services, District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer stated, “Economic disruptions on the scale that we are seeing from the coronavirus pandemic can place great deal of stress on families. Unfortunately, increased pressure on families can often trigger domestic violence or child abuse. In these uncertain times, it is important for families to have guidance on issues related to these crimes and to understand the warning signs that often lead up to them.”

As always, crimes in progress should be reported to local law enforcement or by calling 9-1-1, but these dedicated hotlines can provide guidance for intervention before issues elevate to criminal conduct. Numbers for additional resources are listed as well.

Alliance Against Family Violence – 24 Hour Crisis Hotline: 1-800- 273-7713

Department of Human Services Suspected Child Abuse or Neglect: (661) 631-6000

Family Justice Center: (661) 868-8410

In East Kern County: Women’s Center High Desert, Inc.

Domestic Violence: (760) 375-7525

Sexual Assault: (760) 375-0745