

FAMILIES WORK GROUP 5-17-16:

Introductions & Ice breakers

Ground Rules – Hand out

OYS UPDATES:

Handout – Upcoming Trauma Trainings

Paid for by CBA dollars – free to attend for participants

Save the Date 9/23/16 – JJ Symposium, JJ 101

1 day, Comprehensive overview of system touchpoints

8:30 am – 4:30 pm, inclusive of lunch

OYS Strategic Planning – ½ day on May 6

Action Items – to be prioritized by the ED & Ex Team

More information to come

Well attended, good information sharing

Dan – Steering Committee Meetings are open, wg members should feel free to attend

Timeline for Focus Areas to be published – After June 16 Steering Committee Mtg.

Strategies for Youth –

Training for SRO's June 14-16 – 1st planned training in a series of events

NASRO – National Association of School Resource Officers

Basic Certification course in Omaha in August

CBA Dollars funding local officers participation

JJ 101

Lt. Vivian Buckley – Head of Neighborhood Services Unit OPD

SRO Squad, Truancy Program

4 School Districts – OPS, Westside, Elkhorn, Millard

17 Middle, 13 High & Rovers – SRO Program

2 Officers assigned to Truancy Program

Community Services Section

Each precinct has Community Liaison

Nuisance Task Force – Code enforcement, Private Property & Street

Crime Prevention Squad

Presentations in elementary

School Audit – lockdown drills

Business Watch – 2 officers

Strategies for crime prevention

Volunteer Coordinator

3 sections

Handicap enforcement, Police Chaplain, General Volunteer (administrative)

SRO Section is a large undertaking – why training is so critical

Screening of SRO's: History of time with department, screening, meeting with principal in the school – work very hard to determine the right fit to each school. Solicit feedback from the school – partnership with the school is critical. In order to help students become successful adults, education is primary. We do not want to create obstacles in the youth's path. Balance safety of school with what is best for the individual students.

(?) - Truancy – interactions with parent/youth. Depends on school, each does a little different. May do home visits, may go with a school staff member. Meet with them to find out why youth is not going. May make phone calls.

(?) - Data related to truancy – is OPD gathering? No, something the school is gathering.

Truancy officer will work with the family as much as possible. When resources are needed, assist in making contacts for the family.

(?) - Who gets the right information in schools? (CHI) Pilot a project in Millard related to addressing issues in Millard. Information needs to get to the school – provider – officer. Connections program working in Millard.

(*) Westside – trends of youth not coming to school – Mental Health, Drug Abuse – a lot of it is related to the parent. Try not to punish the youth for not coming to school when the issue is the parent.

(?) Screening of the SRO – include PTO/PTA

(?) Before Selection – Prior to final selection, or introduce them immediately after the selection. Introduction as soon as the selection is made is a very valid point. Will follow-up on that, if it is not happening we will encourage them to do that.

Often, parents are meeting the SRO at a time of something negative happening – make connections with parents in a positive environment, build relationships.

FAMILY GUIDE FEEDBACK –

Last time the Families WG will review

Will be reviewed by the JLL, youth. Desiree will take to NJJA conference to gather additional youth feedback.

Solicit input from Community Advisory Board

Translation to two Non-English pamphlets as well.

Add **OYS web address** to pamphlet.

Edits to the pamphlet – to Margaret by **June 1st**.

Families who have been in the system should be in the video, should be involved in creating the script of the video.

Actors could be used for final product – protect confidentiality.

Video – how do we get a video covering this information to families?

Video Streaming is available at the DCYC. Support the idea of creating a video.

Beneficial for non-reading parents, family members.

Blend of experiences and processes.

Diversification of family structure type, ethnicities.

King Co. Video – show to this group as an example.

Project Harmony – video production department, potential resource.

Timeline – Offline work – Eve

COMMUNITY BASED AID APPLICATION UPDATE –

Stipend – submitted an application for CBA funds for gift cards. Distribution to participants on any work group who represent family members.

Intended to increase family participation within the membership of work groups.

Intended to be a pilot – need to show data that the financial incentive increases participation.

If successful, instead of continuing the effort with CBA funds would seek out support from a private foundation.

QUARTERLY REVIEW OF FAMILIES WORK PLAN

1. a. – NFSN no longer going into the courtroom, not assigned to the case, do not have reason to be in the court room. Connect with more families while in waiting area. Navigating the family dynamic can be challenging. Have seen several repeat families, particularly with runaway youth. Utilized as a resource by families, questions about how to contact professionals involved in their case. Feedback from families has been positive. Very

- positive feedback from Probation Officer on the WG. Takes tremendous courage to do the work she is doing. Follow-up phone calls, was this service helpful. Good feedback to the group. When form is implemented – was the form useful to you?
- a. Need additional information regarding parent rights. NFSN does not have this information prior to the detention hearing. Particularly relevant with the crossover youth. Note when NFC is involved with a case.
 - b. Parents rights – better information for the parent. Legal guardian but someone else in the system is making decisions for them. Decisions seem to be out of their hands. Need accurate and factual information.
- b. Family guide – it is in process. Final edits to Co-Chair by June 1.
 - c. Mapping – JJ101
 - d. Cross-training – JJ101, met goal
 - Family WG training - COMPLETE
 - External Stakeholder training – CONTINUE
 - e. Detention Orientation – met. Output – sibling visits (policy WG)
 - Family group in connection with detention – keep families connected. By 12/2016
2. a. Policies – Sibling visit concern – moved to policy WG
 - b. Family guide, JJ101, OYS Knowledge Exchange
 - c. Identify opportunities to engage youth voice and learn from the youth and family experience.
3. a. Family guide
 - b. Family guide – ties to family guide
 - c. Ongoing

INFORMATION SHARING:

Publication – Mother’s at the Gate: attached to email Margaret sent out prior to the meeting.

DCYC Authors - Victor Rios, Kam Kambon

Youth Center Award – Outstanding Girl Scout Unit

Children’s Mental Health – Pony Express – June 4th in Omaha

Letters from youth & families to present to the Governor

Local event is at Boys Town

Great Hall BT, Summer Family Picnic – Saturday June 4th - need volunteer to do balloon animals and a DJ

Friday, May 20th– Ames AVE Block Party 3pm – 6pm – Heartland Workforce Solutions

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

NEXT MEETING:

June 21, 2016