

Prevention Work Group 1/20/16

Summary Notes

Updates from OYS ED –

- Knowledge Exchange Monday 1/25/16 @ Omaha Home for Boys, 11:30-12:30
- OYS Steering Committee met to review and recommend elements for the Douglas County 2016-2017 CBA application. The OYS Steering Committee serves as the community team for Douglas County. The application was completed by the County's Grant Manager and submitted to the NE Crime Commission on January 11th. The application will go through a series of state review processes for final consideration.

Old Business–

- o Recap visit with Project Harmony, Deb Anderson – Ronda
 - Connections with schools can be difficult – Large, complex bureaucracy – difficult to get traction, communication can be disjointed
 - Barriers – not enough MH providers in North Omaha – trust and relationships are complex
 - Relationships between providers and schools seem to impact referrals – Relationship vs. Need – numbers may be skewed due to school buy-in
 - Therapists in schools are engaging youth
 - Families remain resistant to engaging in services after school/in-home
 - Sees need for coordinated intake process
 - Long term – increase providers in N. Omaha, transportation, credentialing, Public awareness campaign to eliminate stigma associated with therapy/treatment
- o Information share: Trauma informed city, other initiatives – Deb
 - Meeting to discuss recent visit to Philadelphia, a “trauma-informed city”. A couple resources to learn about this further:
 - <http://www.instituteforsafefamilies.org/philadelphia-ace-task-force>
 - http://www.philly.com/philly/blogs/public_health/Philadelphia-brotherly-love-and-trauma-informed-practice.html
- o Questions to School Representatives on OYS work groups - Morisha
 - Members developed a list of questions which Amber has forwarded to the OYS work group members who work in schools. Feedback deadline is Sunday 1/31/16.

New Business –

- o “Ask” from JDAI Coordinator, Michelle Hug Re: Harboring runaway youth – Co-chairs
 - Reply to Ms. Hug to get clarification on this issue. Group feels this may be beyond the scope of their control, given that enforcement would be up to authorities: law, courts, probation

- o Suggestions for Potential Action Steps – work group membership
 - GROUP 1 – 1a, 1b and 2
 - Prevention Co-chairs with School Co-chairs
 - Map resources in the community
 - Partner with resources in the community
 - Build Relationships with partners
 - Receive answers from school staff
 - Research models that work
 - GROUP 2 – 1c, 2c
 - Build appropriate partnerships
 - Identify agency that could meet needs of identified school
 - Cultural sensitivity
 - o Prosocial/informal supports
 - o Access to services – reach kids
 - GROUP 3-
 - o 3c is complete
 - Work on 3a, 3b, 3d

 - Neighborhood Revitalization – David shared info on Prospect Village with group
 - o Prospect Village Neighborhood Association President
 - o Rondae Hill, Contact Person, rondaehill@ymail.com

Homework –

- Resend Prevention Survey to all providers – Dr. Miller
- Contact Agencies within target area Directly – divide among group members
- Review the Connections Website, Does it meet Prevention WG's need?
 - <http://www.nebraskamentalhealth.com/>

Next Regular Meeting

- o February 17, 2016, Time: 3 PM to 5:00 PM at Heartland Workforce Solutions