



Operation Youth Success Prevention Work Group

Wednesday, April 20, 2016

3:00-5:00 PM

Wunderman Conference Center - Room 107

1. Welcome and Introductions

Guest - Terrance Mackey (Gang Specialist) - working with McMillian, Blackburn and Boys and Girls Club. Introduced group to the PAL idea (OPD/OPS - Police Athletic League)

2. Follow-up on assignments

- McMillan Meeting (Megan, Jane)
 - Megan Miller - Met with Mount View - Possible recruit from school
 - School shares space with Boys/Girls Club
 - Informal conversation with Principal Mr. Williams regarding barriers
 - Poverty and Intergenerational gang affiliation/21% lost parents due to violence
 - Discussed Community Mapping of Resources and a possible partnership/collaboration with United Way's current efforts
 - Parent engagement- fewer issues than some other schools
 - Very interactive with families/80% parent participation
 - Jane Prine - Met with Hartman Principal and Director of OPS Equity/Diversity
 - They are also planning a Community Mapping in the Fall (community-wide)
 - Issues similar to surrounding communities/more resources than some other schools (i.e, Creighton and GOALs)
 - Partnership with Connections addressing Mental Health needs
 - 8 weeks sessions with follow-up

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- Grant/Donation allowed school to hire staff to assist with needs for students and families
 - In need of Refugee help/resources (high Karen? Refugee population) and also want a Gang Specialist
 - Meetings with Hartman and Central Park Schools (Megan, Jane, Ronda)
 - Next Monday
 - Neighborhood Organizations (Deb)
 - Ravin shared information received from the Miller Park Neighborhood Association meeting
 - Welcomes service projects
 - Burglaries and assaults are up
 - High Senior population based on observation from meeting
 - Nelson Mandela Elementary school located in area
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 - Meeting with Schools Group (Ronda)
3. OYS Updates
- Provider Fair Handout
 - OYS Strategic Planning - Friday, May 6th UNO CEC
 - Knowledge Exchange - Monday, April 25th UNO CEC 201
 - Juvenile Justice & Provider Forum Thursday, April 21st Douglas County Extension Office
 - Data Committee - Planning to track calls from the Mayor's Hotline - issues connected with youth contact and troubled areas. Can start targeting those streets and areas for prevention efforts
4. Teen Challenge of the Midlands (Adam Nordstrom) - Possible collaboration
- Teen Challenge - International program. 250 Residential Centers. 12-month program for both adults and youth
 - Teen Challenge of the Midlands NE/IA
 - Launching Prevention program for middle and high school-aged population "Know the Truth" an evidence-based program that goes beyond the "just say no". Aims to provide the "real life" experience, statistics, and realities with engaging dialogue also helping youth "think through" their decisions. After several short presentations (cause/effects) they can come back for the 2nd day and break into small male and female groups to have more of a conversation. If issues are revealed - organization connects youth with

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the right community partners and resources. Provide pre/post surveys along with Parent/Community Forum

- Faith Component is optional - but, have 2 separate programs
- Referrals - endorsement and support from Health teachers, District level staff, Principals, Community Leaders, or members of working groups like OYS
- Goals of organization is to start impacting schools starting next year beginning with OPS and hoping to then engage with the surrounding school districts
- Contact information: Adam Nordstrom - Executive Director, Re-Entry. Teen Challenge of the Midlands www.tcmid.org and knowthetruthmn.org 402.305.5825.

5. Funding Request Discussion

- Janee explained subgrant adjustment process. Will know more about the funds 4/22. Must submit application by 4/26. Will be reviewed by Crime Commission 5/06 and funds need to be spent by 6/30
- Check out actions on work plan and be prepared in advance. Apply for the funding you need.
- Next meeting will happen around September - quarterly meetings (July 1st is the 2016/2017 funds)

6. Next steps to move forward

7. Work Plan Review (Standing Agenda Item)

- Strategy 1 - Entering into discussions with identified schools
- 1D - Visiting with Neighborhood associations and schools. Researching how to restart PALs (Police Athletic League)
- 2 - Identifying services. Trauma
 - Community Mapping - United Way, Mount View
 - Community Health Improvement Plan
 - HHS Trauma Care Group (Ronda)
 - Judge Johnson - Trauma Audit. Steering Committee meeting 4/21/16. Janee will follow-i[
- 3 - Access
 - Address Vicarious Trauma - Teachers and Service Providers
 - What exists? Project Harmony? UNMC? (OYS will check 5/2 with UNMC)
 - Continue to work with schools and neighborhoods

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- 8. Work Group Feedback Survey
- 9. Public Comments

Homework

David Mann - Will meet with McMillian

Megan Miller - Will follow-up with information regarding the Community Resource Fair

Jane Prine - Will set up meeting to find out more information about PALs and what WG can do

Upcoming Events -

National Rebuilding Together Day and Block Party Saturday, April 23 from 10- 2 pm (N 33rd St & Franklin St) <http://nextdoor.com>

“Time Out of Mind” - Omaha Home for Boys Thursday, April 28

<https://www.facebook.com/119705328055682/photos/a.404463466246532.112248.119705328055682/1358337027525833/?type=3>

Please also see attachments

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