



Operation Youth Success Prevention Work Group

June 21, 2017

3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

OHB – Wurderman Conference Center

- Welcome/Introductions
 - Welcome new Prevention Team Member – James Hubbard
- OYS Updates
- OYS Community Planning Exercise
- CBA Proposal Update
- Review of Prevention Work Plan, and discussion of future focus
 - Review work plan
 - Neighborhood Organizations
- Information Sharing
- Public Comment
- Adjourn
- Next meeting: Wednesday, July 19th

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1. If money was no object, what would you do to improve families' experiences in the system?
 - a. Offer free education and much higher paying jobs
 - b. Create neighborhood centers in each targeted zip code that allows for: food (emergency), transportation, hygiene (emergency) classes, computers, child care, central navigation, employment and education, afterschool. Co-locate partners and neighborhood reps at these centers. Run by, and prioritize established, neighborhood organizations.
 - c. Outreach center/community center (24 hours); save, affordable housing; jobs at a livable wage; free therapy/medical/dental; food (poverty and security); bus stops at every corner; parenting mentors/coaches.
 - d. Increase business, work opportunities in North/South Omaha; increase early intervention programs at elementary school level; provide funding to meet basic needs to families who need it; funding to schools for engagement and assist intervention programs; provide funding to existing area agencies with prevention focused programs.
 - e. Crisis stabilization; behavioral health respite (planned and emergency); linking providers to families to system; access to mental health continuum in a coordinate (timely) fashion.
 - f. Better access for all families to behavioral health care.
 - g. Lower child welfare and juvenile justice caseloads for better family engagement and outcomes.
 - h. Ensure that every school offered medical services (mental health and prevention services).
 - i. Intake center for juveniles like the CAC for child welfare.

2. What is working well for families in juvenile justice in Douglas County?
 - a. Commitment to make Douglas County trauma-informed.
 - b. 1184 CYPM Initiative.
 - c. Community before/after-school programs.
 - d. Mentors.
 - e. Early childhood home visiting.

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- f. PACE (mentioned 2 times) – increasing community relationship with OPD, cultural and trauma-informed.
 - g. Gang unit outreach.
 - h. Crisis intervention services.
 - i. Alternative response/community response.
 - j. You Turn.
 - k. Hope Center (basketball).
 - l. Faith organizations.
 - m. Step Up.
 - n. 360 zones.
 - o. Early childhood intervention; Educate/Head Start.
 - p. Connections program.
3. What has promise but needs more resources?
- a. Connections therapists in all schools.
 - b. More psychiatric and mental health providers who serve Medicaid clients.
 - c. Better availability of mentors and early childhood programs.
 - d. Mobile dental van.
 - e. Increased trauma training for educators.
 - f. School-based health care.
 - g. Defragmenting the North Omaha community.
 - h. Transportation.
 - i. Interpreters.
 - j. Coordinate mental healthcare.
 - k. Spanish speaking counselors.
 - l. Subsidized mental health care.
 - m. Psychiatric access.
 - n. School social workers.

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4. What's missing?

- a. Central navigation; “no wrong door” system of services and supports.
- b. Program to work with youth who run from home.
- c. Program specific with admission criteria relevant to mental health/medical care/sex trafficking.
- d. Safe overnight childcare options for all ages.
- e. School-based family resource centers.
- f. Informal mentoring in schools (i.e., NYC Public Schools).
- g. Former gang member outreach (neighborhood-based), i.e., Chicago.
- h. Family-centered/focused diversion program.
- i. Truancy transportation team.
- j. Outreach center for disconnected youth.
- k. Mediation/restorative justice.

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