



**Operation Youth Success  
Re-Entry Task Force Notes**

Thursday, January 25, 2018

3:30pm – 5:00pm

Westside Community Schools ABC Building

- Welcome and Introductions
  - Present: Dave Collins, Kylie Homan, Dawnna Hill, Steve Snodgrass, Shannan Garcia, Jennifer Beck, Jim Hubbard, Amber Parker, Darci Poland, Jaci Dai-Klabunde

- Review:

**Re-Entry Mission Statement:**

The mission of OYS Re-Entry is to increase the number of juveniles successfully reintegrated back into schools and the community through coordinated transition support, thereby increasing overall academic success and ultimately reducing recidivism.

**This mission is two-fold:**

- 1) Supporting reentry and residency in the community following any out-of-home placement and;
- 2) Supporting the efficient reentry to school/educational program/work as part of the transition process.

- OYS Announcements
  - Introduction of Catherine Rivier, OYS' new Data Analyst
  - CBA Application for FY 2018 is available online and has gone to the Crime Commission for approval
- Review of Assigned Homework & Discussion
  - Jim Hubbard
    - Passed around sheets with information
    - Tried to have multiple phone numbers for each location
- Jaci Dai-Klabunde - Juvenile Re-Entry Project
  - Attorney at Legal Aid Nebraska
  - Provides civil legal services for youth under 24 years of age, a US Citizen, lower income and have had some type of touch with the Juvenile Justice System
    - Record sealing
    - Related employment and housing issues
  - Trying to expand to Douglas County after having been in Lancaster County for a while
  - If the youth has gone through the court and successfully completed the probation process:
    - Under 17 it is not automatic, the youth has to petition for sealing
    - Over 17 the judge is supposed to initiate the process
    - Legal Aid holds record check clinics

- Help deal with collateral consequence from being involved with the Juvenile Justice system
  - Working to educate youth on what their options are and the fact that some organizations can see that you have a sealed record, i.e., law enforcement, court, military
- Decision Making/Next Steps – Goals for 2018
    - OPS has hired a transition person (Jermaine Ballard) – Jen has a meeting with him on Monday; hope to have more information at the next meeting
      - May greatly affect this work group’s direction
    - #2 in our work plan may be handled by the new position, as well as #5
    - Decision to hold off from further work until we are able to determine what this group’s role may be with the new transition specialist and possibly more transition personnel coming aboard

Feedback Survey: Handed out

Public Comment: None

Next Meeting: February 22, 2018 @ 3:30 – 5:00 pm @ Westside ABC Building

**OYS Mission Statement:** Across Douglas County, our vision is a **comprehensive, coordinated,** and **community-wide** approach to **juvenile services** that **eliminates** the need for youth involvement with our justice system while maintaining **public safety**.

For **all youth** who do enter our justice system, our goals are to provide **effective, compassionate** and **individualized** support that empowers youth and their **families** to **succeed** and to build an environment of **mutual trust and accountability**.