



Operation Youth Success  
Prevention Work Group  
Wednesday, April 18, 2018  
3:00-5:00 PM

Omaha Home for Boys, Wurdeman Conference Center

### Prevention Work Group Purpose Statement

Reduce system entry and recidivism by strengthening community support and increasing access to preventative services.

- I. Welcome and Introductions
  - a. Present: Brandy Gustoff, Kyle Kinney, Lakeisha Phelps, James Hubbard, Andrea Wright, Terra Goodwin, Melissa Beagley, Janee Pannkuk, Karla Dush, Debora Faga
- II. Announcements
  - a. OYS Updates
    - i. Ronda and Megan have stepped aside as co-chairs
    - ii. Lakeisha Phelps was introduced as a new co-chair of the Prevention WG; if you are interested in being co-chair or would like to nominate someone, please contact Karla
    - iii. NJJA Conference, Kearney, NE, May 2-4
    - iv. OYS will have a booth at the Cinco de Mayo celebration on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup> from noon to 5 pm. A Sign-Up invite will be sent out to all work group members asking for their assistance at the booth.
    - v. OYS Steering Committee meeting, tomorrow morning at 8:30 am.
    - vi. OYS Prevention WG will participate in the Juneteenth Parade, June 16<sup>th</sup>. A sign-up invite will be sent to all WG members sometime in mid-May inviting them to participate.
    - vii. Juvenile Justice Provider Forum (JJPF) will be meeting on Monday, April 30, 2pm-4pm at the Douglas/Sarpy Extension Office, 8015 W. Center Rd. There will be two presenters: Jaci Dai'Klabunde from NE Legal Aid on sealing records and a speaker from Project Harmony on trauma-informed care.
  - b. Member Updates
    - i. On May 12<sup>th</sup>, Mental Health Awareness Talent Show, ages 3 to 21, at UNO Milo Bail Student Center Ballroom. It is on our Facebook page, Eventbrite and Karla will forward the flyer to the group.
    - ii. Melissa announced their first research study has been published

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- iii. Melissa and Whitney are presenting at NJJA
  - iv. June 16<sup>th</sup> is World Refugee Day
  - v. Metro Area Suicide Prevention Coalition; students have put together videos and the last day to vote is April 23<sup>rd</sup>
  - vi. Training taking place June 3<sup>rd</sup>, Ashley Spivey, on bias. Geared toward white parents talking to their children about racism, First United Methodist Church.
- III. Summary of last meeting's activities
- a. Talked about putting the matrix on Google docs so everyone had access to put their information in
  - b. Discussed the importance of having one specific contact identified along with the direct contact number
  - c. Discussed the need to get the matrix filled out in its entirety and how best to do that
  - d. Talked about avenues in which to obtain the community voice (via survey, social media, OYS website, etc.)
  - e. Key things to consider when reaching out to community: location, provide food and compensation for their time, transportation assistance, child care, ensuring the space is "safe" to share, etc.
- IV. Activity
- a. Follow up/homework
    - i. Fill in 68111 Matrix prior to next meeting- all members via the shared google doc
      - 1. Several members were able to access and add information
      - 2. Reviewed the printout of the current matrix
        - a. Melissa will contact the mentoring programs (Abide, Big Brother, Big Sister, Girls Inc, Partnership for Kids, etc.), North Library and YMCAs
        - b. Brandy will contact Charles Drew and Holy Name Housing
        - c. Lakeisha will contact OPS, which includes all activities/agencies noted that occur at North High School
        - d. Jim will contact Miller Park and PACE
        - e. Terra will contact Urban League
        - f. Kyle will re-enter his information for LFS and Salvation Army (it didn't save)
        - g. Andrea will take the rest
      - 3. Will have contacts done by end of next week

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- ii. Bring a list of any entities and/or community events in the 68111 area that are coming up that we can piggy back off of to raise awareness of resources
  - iii. Karla and Ronda-look into neighborhood association information – Karla will share the information they found via email to the group
  - iv. Karla will report out on her meeting with Live Well Omaha and their results from focus groups in the 68111 area as it relates to Kid’s eating, play and use of community resources
- b. 68111 Action Steps
- i. Reaching out to providers - members will ask the groups that they contact about any events happening that OYS may be able to share, and if they would be interested in having OYS talk about what we do
  - ii. Identify what services are geared toward prevention and how they can be accessed
    - 1. Ask providers what services they provide that would be classified as prevention services
    - 2. Utilize email to make first contact; use phone as a possible follow-up
    - 3. Create a “script” to use during the contact process, so we are getting the same information for each agency to include, but not limited to:
      - a. Identify OYS and the Prevention work group (purpose statement?)
      - b. Access and eligibility
      - c. What services do you provide in your community that you would classify as a preventative service
      - d. Treat this document as an ongoing effort
  - iii. Arranging table talks/forums with 68111 community members
  - iv. Setting up/piggybacking events to share the resources –
  - v. Getting feedback and sharing information
    - 1. Share on social media
    - 2. Provide information in other languages; Andrea has access to translation services to assist with that and identifying which languages to utilize
    - 3. Can we contact OPS using their messaging system to distribute information?

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- c. Juneteenth update and planning steps
  - i. Need volunteers
  - ii. Contact agencies for materials and donated items if available
  - iii. Hand out water bottles
  - iv. Hand out OYS string bags with informational material and “swag” – perhaps 100
  - v. Hand out candy separately
  - vi. Kyle will contact Help Line, Hot Line, Boys Town, Common Sense Parenting
  - vii. Ask other work groups to walk also and, perhaps, have lunch afterwards
- V. Decision Making/Next Steps
  - a. See 68111 Action Steps
- VI. Feedback Survey – Handed out
- VII. Public Comment

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