Operation Youth Success
Families Work Group Notes
Tuesday, October 16, 2018
9:00-11:00 AM
Heartland Workforce Solutions

Purpose Statement: Empower families to better understand the system and engage in their youth’s care.

Families Working Group Charter
- Empowering families to better understand the system
- Engage youth and families
- Seek help when needed

• Introductions
  o Present: Judith Gutierrez, Dwite Pedersen, Andrea Wright, Mary Jo Thompson, Davannis Donaldson

• Updates
  o OYS
    ▪ Karla is at the Collective Impact Conference in CA this week
    ▪ Next week the 7-member team goes to Georgetown for the LGBTQ Certification
    ▪ Judith is on the DMC team going to Georgetown for the DMC Certification
  o Members
    ▪ Heartland team worked on moving refugees out of Yale Park this last month into new housing. A lot of things that still need to happen to get everyone into safe housing; they are aware of and working on getting these situations resolved. A lot of families are buying houses, which they are happy about, and a lot of families are still in long-term hotels. She can get this group numbers of refugees who are involved in the juvenile justice system. Trying to procure funding to start a program to be able to

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- Possibly expand this year’s drive to include paper goods
- This year we would like to continue with DCYC and add another agency
  - Bring ideas for different agencies we would want to partner with

- Feedback Surveys – Handed out

Move next month’s meeting to Tuesday, November 13 at 9:00 a.m.