

Winnebago County Safe Streets Initiative

January 17, 2020

Room 500

Members Present: Karen Seifert, Jon Bellows, John Matz, Carol Morack, Mark Harris, Eric Sparr, Paul Eisen, Joan Koch, Chee Vang Christian Gossett, Renee Soroko, Gordon Hintz

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Agenda Approved

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes From Meeting on October 18, 2019 approved

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Hannah Schmidt from ESTER Fox Valley came to support the COTS expansion in Winnebago County. Talked about homelessness and how she would like to look deeper into the issue. Will write a letter to address more. Carol Morack gave her contact information to follow up with.

PRESENTATION REGARDING POSSIBLE EXPANSION OF OUTAGAMIE COUNTY COTS AND RIVERVIEW GARDENS PROGRAM:

Cindy Sanstsky from COTS/Riverview Gardens/ RYAN House presented on what each facility offers clients.

COTS: serves homeless population. Follows clients 3 years after leaving . Recidivism rate after 3 years is 6%

RYAN House: For those who are on Parole/ ATR that are High to Medium risk and at risk to re-offend. Stay 90 -120 days in program. Also work with CCEP to gain employment while there.

River Gardens: For profit job training. Served 500 individuals in 2019. Programs include: Organic Farm, Cleaning Downtown Appleton daily, Maintenance program, corporate accounts and Aquaponics facility where they farm fish and lettuce.

APPROVAL OF UPDATED DRUG COURT FORMS:

All new forms were approved

OVERDOSE FATALITY REVIEW AND PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE:

Sara from the Health Department gave update on We Heart You cards, this is 3rd year funding cards. For officers to hand out to those who are using or loved ones of those using. Phone Number on card goes to 211. Description attached.

Health Department held a Summit in August as part of their Opioid Preparedness grant.

Looking into applying for an Overdose Data to Access grant. Public Health is also working with JSS to help with program.

STATUS REPORTS:

DRUG COURT:

Current Participants: 29

Phase 1: 8

Phase 2: 8

Phase 3: 4

Phase 4: 9

Total Graduates: 137

Referrals are low, have been talking to probation about getting new participants

SSTOP:

Current Participants: 83

Total Completions: 1054

Total Revoked: 265

24/7 PROGRAM:

105 Daily Average in 2019 for Alcohol

20 Daily Average in 2019 Drug

Drug 24/7 down in 2020 83 current participants

TEEN COURT:

16 currently in program, 10 active volunteers, total completions 42

GOOD CHOICES:

No New Referrals

DISTRICT ATTORNEY DIVERSION PROGRAMS:

375 participants in programs

Re: THINK:

10 year grant is up. Have new grant that is for \$625,000 for 5 years focus is on Alcohol and Marijuana.
New name: Winnebago County Drug and Alcohol

STEP UP:

Hadn't been doing for a while, started doing again in 2019. Had 12 kids in program and worked on Science projects with them. Has now switched focus to fitness and doing a boot camp with those in the Boys and Girls Club. Average is 12 – 15 kids.

DA talked about work they will be doing with the Boy's and Girl's club to get data on kids who offend, will share this information to help get kids into program in future.

UPDATE FROM DISTRICT ATTORNEY OFFICE REGARDING NEW JUSTICE PROGRAM:

Program is not a new program, is something the DA's office has been doing for a while, just encompassing under one entity to make diversions more effective.

Idea is to take services that exist already and put them all in one place. Facility will be in the basement of the Orin King building. They are waiting on a signature so the architect can come in and look at building.

New case manager starting in next few weeks, their job will be to consolidate services looking at what the highest needs are for offenders and starting there.

Mark Harris asked about the community partners that are committed to helping: JSS will have to better assess the needs of those in the program prior to knowing what community partners will commit too.

Sheriff Matz asked about compliance with pre charges and if they Sheriffs department will need to adjust anything to accommodate these new DPA's. : JSS will have to look into that more

Paul Eisen asked about Public Safety of letting more offenders on DPA's: 78% of those on DPA's are low level offenders, unsure of recidivism on diversion participants at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

NEXT MEETING:

April 17th, 2020 at noon in Room 500

Pizza: Paul Eisen