

Youth Continuum of Care Coalition (YCCC) Community Coalition Partnerships (CCP)

October Monthly Meeting

10-16-2014 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM
COADA-CB

Meeting called by: Donine Schwartz, ACPS

Type of meeting: Youth Continuum of Care Coalition

Facilitator: Donine Schwartz, ACPS

Note taker: Linda Hovey, ACPS

Members in Attendance: Donine Schwartz, Linda Hovey, Tina Baird, Donna Brandon, Beverly Cage, Gae Calloway, Carolina Kolpack, Dr. Glen Kost, Virginia Longoria, Chris Olsen, Karen Palombo, Elisabeth Stevens, Rudy Adame, Adriana Williams, Dawn Fick, Corinn Williams, and Ammo Vera.

Agenda topics

Welcome

Introduction of New Partners-

Review of Meeting Minutes/Review Committee Discussions

Strategic Plan – The Coalition members reviewed the Strategic Plan. Coalition members agreed with Strategic Plan, no changes required at this time.

Action Plans on Strategies

Underage Drinking

Responsible Beverage Service: Members agree there continues to be a need for this strategy. Members reviewed the Strategic Plan and agreed to continue to pursue goals, such as public and retail education opportunities, about retail sale and individual liabilities and laws.

Alcohol Compliance Check: Members agree there continues to be a need for this strategy and want to continue to pursue action on the objective of reducing the ease of available alcohol to underage youth. Some members made suggestions to possibly observe if stores are actually carding buyers, and maybe giving them some sort of certificate or sticker for being in compliance.

Social Hosting: Members agree there continues to be a need for this strategy, and will continue to increase public awareness and education. They continue to make suggestions for opportunities to increase landlord awareness and education how to reduce underage parties on their properties by lease addendums and property management meetings with local universities and law enforcement, to be proactive.

Marijuana: Members agree there continues to be a need for this strategy. Nueces and San Patricio law enforcement agencies report continued problems with marijuana and synthetic marijuana. Many small private convenience stores continue to be point of sale for synthetic marijuana. Students report it is easy to locate and purchase synthetic marijuana at stores. Marijuana is also readily available to purchase.

Prescription Drugs: Members agree there continues to be a need for this strategy. Coalition has been successful in facilitating drug drop boxes in law enforcement offices, and will continue to work on facilitating more boxes, especially located in rural areas. DEA reports boxes are receiving high numbers of medication collected. Coalition will continue to work on getting drug drop boxes in the rural areas, such as Robstown & Bishop. Members were encouraged to try to facilitate with process by contacting any members they might know in those areas and inform them of the success in the other locations that already have drop boxes. Also encouraged members to speak to their own social contacts, and their own senior citizen center, nurses, physicians & pharmacies about the availability of the drop boxes. Some members have already let flyers at Walmart, Sam's club, and HEB pharmacies for public information.

Closing

Questions and Answers

- Dr Cost brought several newspaper clippings he has saved about the coalition activities.
- Dr Cost also suggested the coalition may be able to recruit new members that may be in need of obtaining continuing education units, as this networking increases awareness of those opportunities, such as the Party Dispersal Training that was held last Spring.
- Members were encouraged to go online and view the CCP websites.

www.ccpcoastalbend.org,

Facebook: youthcontinuumofcarecoalition,

Twitter: @ccpcoastalbend

Instagram: @ccpcoastalbend

- Next meeting will be held on November 13, 2014, to not interfere with Thanksgiving activities.
 - Members were also requested to "save the date" and plan to attend the Council's Annual Safe and Sober Kickoff on December 5, 2014 which is held to bring awareness of drinking and driving during the Holiday season. Invitations will follow.
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