



Family Violence Coordinating Council

August 14, 2014 Minutes
Hennepin County Government Center
C1291 Executive Conference Room
12:15 – 1:30 PM

Fourth Judicial District Family Violence Coordinating Council Serving Hennepin County

MINUTES

- 1. Welcome – Judge Cutter / Referee Moses**
- 2. Approve July 10, 2014 Minutes – Judge Cutter / Referee Moses**
Motion to approve made and seconded.
- 3. FVCC Outreach Survey Results – Brynn Rhodes**

Survey results have been received and were distributed to the larger group with the agenda for the meeting. The goal of the survey was to identify the extent of existing training as the first step in meeting strategic goal number 8 (increasing the usefulness and visibility of FVCC).

The overall results of the survey reflect that there is an abundance of training being conducted by the organizations represented on the FVCC, both in terms of community outreach and to other agency partners. The overall preference was for the FVCC to focus on supporting the work of the committees and organizations in their outreach work as well as to provide some limited original programming. Preferences for continued communication are to maintain email as the primary form of communication to the FVCC members. The Executive Committee will use the survey results to inform its outreach plan for the future. Brynn will investigate using an online calendar to keep track of all FVCC Committee trainings and events.

Carol Arthur suggested adding a map of Hennepin County resources to the website, and making a presentation once a year to the County Commissioners about the work of the FVCC. Also, she suggested focusing on the public policy /legislative work of FVCC member organizations on an annual basis.

- 4. Resource Fair Update – Anne Taylor/Lori Schwartz**
Please let Anne Taylor (anne.taylor@hennepin.us) know if you need a table for the Fall Resource Fair, which will be held in the Government Center on the skyway level by the fountain on October 29, 2014. Setup for the resource fair will start at 10:30 am, take down from 1-1:30pm. The name of the event is *“Bringing out the Best – Domestic Violence & Partnering with Disenfranchised Communities.”* For the resource fair, the objective is to offer advocacy groups access to systems workers and to offer systems workers information about services in various communities. The MCBW has loaned the clothesline project and there will have a youth jazz combo from Walker West Music

Academy, thanks to Tamara Stark, Tubman. Commissioner Callison has agreed to sponsor the resolution to use the PSL. The CLE will be in Aud. A after the Fair.

5. Family Court Enhancement Project Update – Referee Moses

The grant is moving forward but no changes to implement thus far. A logic model was completed and submitted to the Office of Violence Against Women. Problem areas and resources have been identified and put into the logic model. Work plans are being developed based on the logic model. Work will be focused in the last quarter of 2014 on fleshing out the 2015 work plan and meetings for the last quarter of the year are currently being scheduled.

6. FVCC Bylaws Review – Judge Cutter / Referee Moses

Discussion about what the council could and should be doing better to serve the community and how the bylaws could be updated to reflect that. The group was asked to review the bylaws and make suggestions at the next meeting. Co-chairs are in agreement about having an annual legislative/policy focus for a meeting and this will be a standing meeting agenda in October.

7. FVCC Presentations:

September 11 – DV as a Human Rights Issue Cheryl Thomas

October 9 – Legislation

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Please make suggestions for additional trainings if you have them.

8. Announcements / Open Forum

HSPHD is reactivating a program (“Parenting for the Future”) for developmentally disabled families/parents who have at least one child under 5 or are pregnant. A therapeutic program for kids in child care 4 days a week is conducted while parents also participate in programming. Parenting and life skills taught at the center and in the home. This program was in place years ago and funding went away. It used to be limited to Minneapolis residents, but now includes residents of the NW area of the metropolitan area. The program takes referrals and is intended to be “upstream” of where Child Protection would get involved.

Adjourn

Future Agenda Items

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