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Local Public Safety Coordinating Council
MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

Youth & Gang Violence Subcommittee

Thursday, December 5, 2019

Multnomah Building, Room 315

501 SE Hawthorne Blvd, Portland 97214

5-7pm

Meeting Agenda

- Welcome, Check-in & Food
- Presentation “Uncovering Our Police System: A Narrative by Urban/Suburban Youth of Color in a State Based on White Supremacist Ideals”
- Q&A
- Discussions on the Four Themes:
 - Lack of Consistency in Policing
 - Generalization of Perspectives and Identities
 - Trauma and Relationships
 - Conflict Anticipation and Hopelessness

Attendance

Meikelo Cabbage, MYC
Deena Corso, DCJ Juvenile Services Division
Ivan Cortes, Juvenile Dept.
Amy Davidson, Partnership for Safety & Justice
Angela Donley, Commissioner Jayapal’s Office
Lakayana Drury, WIB
Ben & Rudy Duncan, Office of Diversity & Equity
Ja’mari Etherly, WIB
Ronnie Faavae, IRCO
Erin Fairchild, Health Dept
Zoe Fanning, YAB
Maria Garcia, MYC
Mary Geelan, DCJ Juvenile Services Division
Tsiyon Geremew, MYC
Deidra Gibson-Cairns, DCJ Juvenile Services Division
Jillian Girard, Multco Budget Office
Sheryl Goodman, DCJ Juvenile Services Division
Remonda Hanna, MYC
Royal Harris, Health Dept.
Suzanne Hayden, US Attorney’s Office
Adrianna Hayes, MYC
Angela & Riley Hubbs, MESD
Kallie Kurtz, Health Dept.

Andrea Marquez, MYC--City
Annette Majekodunmi, POIC
Britt Masback, WIB
Antonia McSwain, MYC
Erika Molina, MYC--ODE
Alana Nayak, MYC
Ahlam Osman, MYC
Tom Peavey, City of Portland
Arianna Perez Garcia, MYC
Justice Rajee, POI
Zhykaire Rivers, Word is Bond
Cpt. Harry Smith, MCSO
Kirsten Snowden, MCDA
Raffaele Timarchi, County Chair’s Office
Sema’J Wade, WIB
Xao Xiong, PBOT
Shui Yu, YVPYAB

Staff

Leneice Rice, LPSCC
Abbey Stamp, LPSCC
Lily Yamamoto, LPSCC
Christina Youssi, LPSCC

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Meeting Notes

Youth from the Multnomah County Youth Commission (MYC) and Word is Bond (WIB) began the meeting with group introductions.

Youth presented “Uncovering Our Police System: A Narrative by Urban/Suburban Youth of Color in a State Based on White Supremacist Ideals.” WIB and MYC were awarded a grant to lead a research project. Youth chose to focus primarily on youth of color. Most of the qualitative data came from focus groups.

The presentation included acknowledgments, purpose, process, topics discussed and timeline. The survey overview included:

- Quantitative Data and Participant Demographics
- Questions around Police Behaviors and Attitudes
- Qualitative Data
- Themes
- Policy Recommendations

For details, see the presentation. When the presentation concluded, everyone wrote out what each person could do to make change.

Resources on movies, articles, and books were shared.

Youth requested recommendations for audiences for future presentations.

People then broke into the following small groups and presented the below reflections.

Group 1: Lack of Consistency of Policing

- Acknowledge commitment and consistency with engaging with youth

Group 2: Generalizations of perspectives/identities

- Communication during incidents and communication before incidents
- Make efforts to attend meetings like this

Group 3: Trauma and Relationships

- CPC would like YAV and WIB to present

Group 4: Conflict, Anticipation and Hopelessness

- Discussed reactions to the studies and how unfortunately there weren't surprises
- Talked about different areas of influence
- The value of collaboration, where there is more influence
- Accountability even when there isn't physical harm done
- Restorative justice and what does healing look like

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- Commitment for follow up: helping curate spaces to present

Antonio closed with asking why are conversations about conflict, anticipation and hopelessness such a hard conversation to have? Need to begin with the hardest conversations.

The meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting:
February 6, 2020
9-11am