

**LPSCC
Youth and Gang Violence Subcommittee Meeting
Portland Police Bureau North Precinct
9-11am**

Notes for March 5, 2015

Subcommittee Attendees

Co-Chair Rod Underhill, District Attorney
Co-Chair Antoinette Edwards, City of Portland Office
of Youth Violence Prevention

Dan Bell, Community Advocate
Harry Bradshaw, Oregon Youth Authority
Clifton Bush, Boys & Girls Club
Lee Cha, IRCO
Cyn Connais, Healing Hurt People
Sharon Darcy, Pathfinders
Brian Detman, Department of Community
Corrections
Betty Dominguez, Home Forward
Erin Fairchild, Multco DVCO
Heather Ficht, WSI
Tracey Freeman, Department of Community
Justice/JSD
Mary Geelan, Juvenile Court Improvement
Coordinator

Dirk Kinsey, Portland State University
Julia Mitchell, POIC
Tom Peavey, City of Portland Office of Youth
Violence Prevention
Michelle Plambeck, District #3
Roberta Phillip, Multco Office of Diversity & Equity
Erika Preuitt, Department of Community Justice
Kathy Sevos, Volunteers of America Oregon
Rebecca Stavenjord, Multnomah County
Government Relations
Chris Wearn, Metropolitan Family Services
Eric Zimmerman, Multnomah County DA's Office

LPSCC Staff

Abbey Stamp, LPSCC Executive Director
Christina Youssi, LPSCC Staff

Welcome, Introductions, and Announcements

Co-Chair Rod Underhill welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.

Announcements:

- Rebecca Stavenjord has a new position with Multnomah County Government Relations to work on the prioritization of the six issue areas identified in the Promise Zones planning process: crime prevention, job creation, educational attainment, economic development, health & wellness, and infrastructure.
- Brian Detman noted the pilot project with the Gresham Police Department to divert youth, who would have otherwise received warning letters, to providers. Brian, Christina McMahan and representatives from the City of Gresham will be traveling to Washington DC next week as part of an effort by the National League of Cities to drive improvements in juvenile justice systems.
- DA Rod Underhill announced the Juvenile Task Force has been meeting regularly, and a decision was made to reinvest federal-based dollars for dependency-based work into the prosecutors' juvenile justice division.
- Kathy Sevos is coordinating an ad hoc committee to help DCJ determine how to budget for mentors for those re-entering the community. The meeting is March 11th from 1-2:30pm at the Mead Building. An idea to involve an intern was proposed. Healing Hurt People is developing a mentorship training curriculum.
- Heather Ficht said that about five years ago Work Systems commissioned a Disconnected Youth Study and are preparing to conduct the study again. Heather asked Abbey Stamp to help review the research.

Developing Measures for Objectives

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The implementation planning goals and objectives were reviewed. It was noted that although not specifically called out, racial and ethnic disparities are a throughline in the assessment.

The goals are:

1. Coordinate systems of care and public safety using a trauma-informed approach and data-driven decision making
2. Address root causes of violence in our community
3. Intervene at the first sign of risk and respond effectively when violence does occur
4. Repair, strengthen and restore our youth, families, and communities that have been affected by violence
5. Reduce recidivism rates for focus population

Worksheets to identify desired outcomes and outcome measurements were distributed. The subcommittee began working through how to measure outcomes for Goal #1.

There was discussion around how to move the process forward, and the decision was made to form smaller workgroups to break up the work. Rebecca Stavenjord, Cyn Connais, Erika Preuitt, Roberta Phillip, Abbey Stamp, Brian Detman, and Mary Geelan will work towards defining outcomes and proposing measurements to the larger subcommittee.

Timeline Review and Community Engagement

The Implementation Planning process and timeline and the work that has been done was reviewed:

- **Step 1:** Identify the focus community & focus population
What we have done so far:
 - Identified criteria for community selection
 - Evaluated impact of our work on populations we serve
 - Discussed how people are differentially situated in terms of the barriers they experienceWhat's Next:
 - Select focus population & community based on strategies & community input [Apr-Jun]
- **Step 2:** Prioritize problems
What we have done so far:
 - Brainstormed problems
 - Discussed how people differentially experience these problems
 - Developed draft problems statementsWhat's Next:
 - Finalize Problem Statements [April]
- **Step 3:** Develop goals & objectives
- **Step 4:** Identify activities & services
What we have done so far:
 - Identified themes from the assessment
 - Identified existing activities and services related to each of the themes
 - Brainstormed and did some initial prioritization of strategies related to those themesWhat's Next:
 - Crosswalk strategies from initial brainstorm with OJJDP best practices on prevention to reentry spectrum
 - Narrow strategies according to spheres of influence and action blocker

- Get community input
- Finalize Strategies

- Step 5: Anticipate barriers
- Step 6: Finalize the plan
 - What's Next:
 - Evaluate whether strategies with focus populations and communities will get us to meet our objectives
 - Identify barriers that may need to be addressed
 - Finalize Plan
 - Communicate with Community Stakeholders

The Youth and Gang Violence Prevention Specialist position will be posted this week and expect the position to be filled by June.

Attention was called to the importance and the frequency of work done between meetings and by smaller workgroups. The process can be accelerated if people are willing to do work outside the meetings.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is Thursday, April 2, 2015, where there will be discussion of strategies.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40am.