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Substance Abuse and Mental Health Task Force Meeting Minutes



Date: October 13, 2016

Attendees: Dennis Banach, Debby Pizur, Krystal Rafenstein, Charlene Eck, Jamie Mercer

1. Agenda Item 1

Action Item: Alliance for WI Youth funding: CHD is waiting for final invoice for Cudahy Police time from the medication take back days, once complete Krystal will notify the team of the budget thus far.

2. Agenda Item 2

Action Item: Clergy Summit wrap up: Total of 33 attendees, not including staff and presenters. Attendees had a lot of good feedback regarding the event and hope to see more events of this nature in the future. Through surveys the number one issue people wanted to learn more about is substance abuse and addiction. Task force will look at ability to host another clergy summit in the spring.

3. Agenda Item 3

Action Item: Drug Take Back within the Community: A total of 22lbs of medications were collected and 12 medication lock boxes were distributed. Team will look at additional sites in the near future as long as funding is available. The left over medication lock boxes may be able to be distributed through the ER with the toolkits.

4. Agenda Item 4

- a. Social Host Ordinance: Cudahy now has a social host ordinance moved forward by the Mayor and approved by the Common Council.

5. Agenda Item 5

- a. Emergency Room Toolkit: Continues to be a work in progress. Team goal of completing draft by 1/17.

Individual Updates:

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- Cudahy Schools currently have referrals coming in for the mental health providers within the schools. First apt is completed at Corner Stone, then any session can be held at the high school.
- Library reports approximately 15-20 teens that frequent the library and appear to be under the influence of some substances. Many of the teens also attend the Teen Advisory Board. May be a means to provide education and outreach.
- Project Concern currently:
 - Collecting items for Thanks Giving baskets.
 - October is “socktober”; the Cudahy fire dept is collecting socks fir Project Concern in preparation for the winter.
 - Hunger Task Force has Food Share Advocates available to the community on Fridays.
 - Looking for sponsors for the Christmas gift program
 - Looking for families with children in need of receiving Christmas gifts
 - Will not be able to provide snow shoveling for seniors this winter
- Cudahy Health Department will be hosting a “Food for Today” hunger/poverty simulation in partnership with the Hunger Task Force at the block watch meeting on 10/26/16.

Summary of Action Plan

Action Item	Status Update
Krystal: To complete budget for funding	
Krystal: Continue to work on ER Toolkit	
Jamie: To send dates for teen advisory meetings	Complete

6. Next Meeting; (September 8, 2016)