

**LPSCC**  
**Youth and Gang Violence Subcommittee Meeting**  
*Multnomah Building, Room 380*  
**9-11am**

**Notes for November 3, 2016**

**Subcommittee Attendees**

Kirsten Snowden, MCDA, Subcommittee Co-Chair

Bill Baney, MHASD  
Tina Bouillion, MHASD  
Harry Bradshaw, OYA  
Kaitlin Cobb, Boys & Girls Clubs of Portland  
Deena Corso, DCJ/JSD  
Brian Detman, DCJ/JSD  
Erin Fairchild, Defending Childhood Initiative  
Mike Fort, PPB  
Tracey Freeman, DCJ/JSD  
Koloni Fusitua, IRCO  
Mary Geelan, Juvenile Court  
Deidre Gibson-Cairns, DCJ/JSD  
Sheryl Goodman, DCJ

Deborah Kim, POIC  
Julia Mitchell, POIC  
Susan Montgomery, MHASD  
Felesia Otis, Volunteers of America Oregon  
Edgar Perez, DHS  
Alice Perry, Latino Network  
Joe Walsh, City of Gresham  
Jacob Williams, ED NW

**LPSCC Staff**

Abbey Stamp, LPSCC  
Christina Youssi, LPSCC

**Introductions and Announcements**

Introductions were made.

Mary Geelan announced the second judicial listening session is Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Kirsten Snowden announced the DA's office received a witness relocation grant.

Brian Detman noted the Janus Youth programs are opening a new reception center in East County.

**Review Actions for Remaining Strategies**

Mary Geelan recounted the process that lead to the strategies being reviewed today.

**Implementation Plan for Employment Workgroup**

Deidre Gibson-Cairns gave an overview of the activities for the employment workgroup. See attached.

There was discussion about credentials for mentors and employment and barriers (such as documentation, language, unpaid trainings) for gang-impacted youth.

Joe Walsh noted the City of Gresham has been working with SE Works, and the program has evolved to a multi-disciplinary team. Youth are placed into employment once they are ready.

OYA has a transition PO to help develop links and connections. A network of employers who are willing to be forgiving is important. OYA is willing to help with the reach-in.

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The Boys and Girls Club has a youth employment program. They would be open to participating in activities.

### **Implementation Plan for Links Between Police, Youth & Communities Workgroup**

Sheryl Goodman provided an overview of the activities for this strategy. See attached.

Lt. Mike Fort noted PPB has a renewed effort to engage with youth. He committed to trying incentives for police to give youth, but noted the challenge of funding for partner agencies. Kolina Fusitua, IRCO, also volunteered.

Julia Mitchell noted efforts with Police at Rosemary Anderson East.

Lt. Mike Fort volunteered for activities #2. He noted the value of the Youth Against Violence (YAV) model that PPB partners with to enter schools. There was discussion about how to disseminate opportunities for police to engage in (roll call, google calendar).

IRCO volunteered for #7.

Erin Fairchild noted a youth-led video coming out via the Defending Childhood Initiative that could serve as an example.

Brian Detman asked how to get gang-impacted youth involved in the Multnomah Youth Commission. Tina noted the incentive of giving class credit for attending trainings.

Felesia Otis noted the powerful incentive of police saying what they see in a youth.

Abbey Stamp noted the importance of positive public relations. The positive message also needs to come from the community.

### **Implementation Plan for Family Engagement Workgroup**

Brian Detman provided background and context for the Family Engagement strategy. See attached.

Erin Fairchild noted research coming out of Philadelphia about the impacts of racism in childhood. Parenting classes about these impacts have positive outcomes. DV is a part of many gang-impacted families.

Black Male Achievement will be noted.

Lt. Fort noted GREAT Families training that could be expanded. Officer Mike Paresa is one point person.

This strategy will continue in December's meeting.

There will be an interim meeting in November.

The meeting was adjourned.