

Youth and Gang Violence Subcommittee Meeting Multnomah Building, Room 315 9-11am

Notes for November 2, 2017

Subcommittee Attendees

Co-Chairs

Antoinette Edwards, City of Portland OYVP

Attendees

Michelle Barrows-Carter, POIC CHI Kwame Briggs, POIC CHI Deidre Gibson-Cairns, DCJ Juvenile Services Yolanda Gonzalez, Latino Network Kim Filla, POIC Jillian Girard, Budget Office Joss Gotierrez, Latino Network David Hannon, MCDA Suzanne Hayden, US Attorney's Office (Phone) Annette Majekodunmi, POIC CHI Joe McFerrin, POIC Vanessa Micale, STRYVE Jeff Miller, Gresham Police Dept. Julia Mitchell, POIC Erika Molina, Multnomah Youth Commission Shala Mosley, POIC CHI

Jamila Myrick, CHI
William Nunemann, LPSCC Intern
Alice Perry, Latino Network
Christina Trujillo, MCDA Intern
Helen Vank, MFS
Gudeta Wak-Woya, IRCO
Marcus, Waughfield, IRCO
Megan Westbrook, STRYVE
Nathaniel Williams, Unify Portland
Eric Zimmerman, MCDA
Babak Zolfaghari-Azar, CHI-POIC

LPSCC Staff

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

Introductions and Announcements

Introductions were made and each person said what they would do if they had no fear.

Announcements:

- Latino Network will be starting a group for up to 20 young Latino men called NCLR Men of Action. Workshops begin in December.
- Alice Perry recommended the book The Long Way Down.
- Megan Westbrook noted STRYVE just had their first meeting with the community advisory board (east county).
- The November 3rd CPC meeting will focus on the American flag.
- Latino Network is hosting a celebration for Day of the Dead tonight from 6:30-9pm.
- Lily Yamamoto acknowledged the visitors from the strategy groups.

Parent Handbook

Annette Majekodunmi, POIC, gave a presentation about PUSH (Parents United for Successful Homes) that included their vision, mission, beliefs, challenges and solutions, and the timeline for the parent handbook.

Michelle Barrows Carter went through the 1st draft of the parent handbook.

Feedback is requested by November 17th.

Planning for Presentation to LPSCC Executive Committee

Abbey Stamp noted there will be a Gang Assessment strategy update at the December 11th LPSCC Executive Committee.

The update should begin with an appreciation for the extent of the work. Start with the strategy 1-pager and new information followed by any asks. We need to decide how many positions we are asking for. Analyze the gaps and determine how much FTE is needed. Any asks for new positions/funding should be communicated prior to the LPSCC meeting.

Each group needs to think about who will represent the strategy. Suzanne and Abbey can partner can coordinate a coordinator's meeting to talk about each strategy. We need to convey that each strategy is linked. Abbey will follow up with Suzanne.

Abbey will figure out if this can take more time on the agenda.

Gang Plan Strategy Updates

Joe McFerrin gave an update on the employment strategy. OIC's primary mission began with employment.

- In January, POIC will launch a certified construction pre-apprenticeship in partnership with NAMC.
- In-house, POIC is working with WorkSystems towards getting youth on the IT track.
- Community partners are working with Summer Works to ensure some paid internships are allocated to the gang plan efforts.
- BMA's summer youth experience has been going on for 3 years, and is looking to scale up to a year-round program.
- POIC will be partnering with Florida and Minneapolis affiliates for a Dept. of Labor grant on re-entry.
- Part of Rockwood Rising (which includes housing, services, food market) will house a culinary program in the basement of the food market, which will hopefully provide food to POIC and training/work opportunities.
- Joe is partnering with others to develop strategies for education, housing, and employment.

Joe suggested checking out <u>Broadway project on Prosper Portland</u> and <u>Portland Plan</u> 2035.

Joe is going to connect with Oregon Tradeswomen with Alice Perry's introduction.

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There was discussion about whether the a position (tasked with finding the youth who need employment support) could also recruit mentors.

Megan Westbrook noted two predictors of successful employment and mentorships are that mentors are employed by the employer, and the employer and the schools communicate about the student.

Vanessa Micale is looking for connections to urban planners with the goal of having more diversity in urban planning.

A draft of the mentors gathering was previewed. There was clarification about what could be done in a short timeframe. Antoinette suggested we start with a gathering to get to know each other before planning a conference.

Critical Updates and Information Sharing

Helen Vank noted Metropolitan Family Services' new farming paid internship.

The meeting was adjourned.

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