

**MINUTES: 11/10/21 SPC LUNCH**

**12 - 1 PM**

**Public Health Conference Room/Online on Zoom**

**Chair: Melinda Bobo**

**Present:**

**Melinda Bobo, Coalition Chair, Priest, St. Andrew's in the Pines Church**

**Aaron Prece, Counselor, High Country Behavioral Health**

**Sgt. Travis Bingham, PIO, Sublette County Sheriff's Office**

**Robin Carnes, Nurse, Sublette Public Health**

**Peggy Weber, Pinedale Visitor Center**

**Vern McWilliams, Community member**

**Sarah Murdock, Bridges out of Poverty, Food Basket, Church of the Resurrection**

**Alma Rose Stone, Community member**

**Shaun Stone, Peer Specialist, Community Member**

**Tessa Miller, SAFV Task Force**

**Kari DeWitt, Sublette Hospital District**

**Matthew Daniels, Business, My Satisfied Soul**

**Sarah Hixson, Clinic Director, High Country Behavioral Health**

**Janna Lee, Nurse Manager, Public Health**

**Trisha Scott, Coalition Coordinator**

**Notes:**

Melinda opened the meeting at 12:05 PM.

Motion to approve minutes from October 14 meeting made by Sarah Murdock.

Second to motion: Peggy Weber.

Vote to approve 10/14 minutes: Unanimous

Sgt. Bingham from the SCSO presented the SO data dashboard to the coalition, how the public can access the dashboard, and what it shows. Current 2021 data shows a significant increase in the average BAC at time of arrest for all Sublette alcohol arrests (DUI, public intox, and domestic incidents). This is one of the data points that we measure to track how we are doing in our work.

Sgt. Bingham reported that there is an increase in 2021 in cocaine, heroin, and fentanyl arrests.

Sgt. Bingham reported that I-80 through Wyoming is a designated HIDTA (High Impact Drug Traffic Area) and that affects Sublette arrests. 75% of all alcohol arrests are males.

Brief discussion of holidays coming with increased drinking. We are working with Sheriff's Office Deputies Johnson and MacKenzie and bar owners to get TIPS training to bars before New Year's. Thank you to the Waterhole in Marbleton for requesting TIPS and for supporting the training.

Opiates and Other Drugs Task Force met Tuesday 11/9 to watch Cannabis and Women's Health webinar. Task force is considering starting a subcommittee that would meet once a month to

keep track of WY cannabis legalization efforts. We have distributed 250 “ How to talk to your teen about marijuana” flyers.

Tobacco: Completed first High Country Behavioral Health Quit Tobacco Group. 12 people participated. The Big Piney quit group starts back up 11/12. Zoom and in person options available. Flyer for medical providers with all free quit resources is available.

Suicide Prevention: Today’s report on access to MH services: There should be no barrier for anyone to receive timely MH services due to the Sublette Community MH fund and the availability of telehealth to augment in person services from both local providers, TBT and HCBH. Promoted Survivor of Suicide Loss Day Nov. 20 at Marbleton Town Hall. Title 25 numbers are down by half and we don’t know why but we like it.

### **Community Reports:**

**Melinda Bobo, St. Andrew’s and St. Hubert’s churches** will make another grant request from the Episcopal Diocese for covid assistance and the MH fund. These grants are for \$50,000. These funds could make the MH funds go on indefinitely.

**Kari Dewitt, Hospital District:** Covid #s are down; District says thank you to the community for providing meals to the medical clinic employees while they were inundated and understaffed due to loss of staff. Hospital construction loan is in process.

**Aaron Preece:** Emergency preparedness education happens every Tuesday at 7pm at the LDS church. All are welcome. PAC: Frosty 5K with inside volleyball tournament scheduled for the Saturday before Christmas.

**Sarah Murdock, Bridges out of Poverty:** Bridges graduated the second Getting Ahead class last week. Bridges, through a grant from BOCES and funds from the Town of Pinedale, is funding a community resource position with an office at HCBH. The resource case manager can help all people with resources for living expenses like rent, and will have time to sit with people who need to fill out complicated forms. Call HCBH for appointment.

**Janna Lee, Public Health:** Covid vaccine booster clinics are busy. FEMA is taking over the clinics beginning 11/18. Register on Pinedale Online or call Public Health.

**Tessa Miller, SAFV:** is still the point of contact for ERAP housing assistance funds. Must make an appointment with SAFV. The pilot community grant focused on getting men involved in preventing violence meets 11/18 2-5 to refine the mission/vision statements and to work on a plan to recruit men.

**Matthew Daniels, My Satisfied Soul:** My Satisfied Soul will be leading a workshop for Christian Leadership and Mental Health in January. Matthew will keep the coalition posted on details.

**Robin Carnes, Public Health:** HIV testing available at PH: Money is available for patients with HIV for all living expenses. MAny people with HIV are aging into medicare. HIV is treatable and there are rapid tests for HIV now avaiable.

**Adjourn formal meeting 1:10**

Next meeting December 9, location TBD.