

MINUTES: 3/11/21 SPC MEETING

12 - 1 PM

Online over Zoom and in person at Public Health

Chair: Rev. Melinda Bobo

Present:

Cassie Crumpton, SC Treatment Court

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

Peggy Weber, community member, Chamber volunteer

Matthew Daniels, Business, Emmanuel Baptist Church

Emmy Daniels, Hope + Choice mentoring, Emmanuel Baptist Church

Annie Adams, Dept. of Family Services

Eric Makelky, Principal, Pinedale Middle School

Aaron Preece, Counselor, High Country Behavioral Health

Tessa Miller, SAFV Task Force

Melinda Bobo, Priest Rector, St. Andrew's Church

Tamara Currah, Sub 1 Early Childhood Liaison

Trisha Scott, Coalition Coordinator

Notes:

Melinda reported on the **5 year strategic plan** that the coalition is required to complete this grant cycle. This is a deliverable expected from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), a major funder of the community prevention grant. We hope to complete this plan by the end of June 2021 by holding 3 sessions with 6-8 people. Thank you to Tessa Miller and Sheriff Lehr for volunteering to participate in this process. We need 3- 5 more volunteers. We will feed you. Please contact Trisha if you are interested.

Alcohol Task Force: Co-Chair Cassie Crumpton reported on the 3/9 task force meeting discussing a mandatory beverage server training for the Town of Pinedale. Most present at that discussion favored promoting a ride program and using coalition funds to promote ride programs over an ordinance requiring that all T.O. P. alcohol servers have TIPS training. Task force members also supported more education at the middle school level about harms and impacts of alcohol misuse. Mr. Makelky will reach out to Lt. Guenther at WHP to involve troopers in educating middle schoolers.

Suicide Task Force: Aaron Preece reported on Sheriff KC Lehr's visit to the Suicide Prevention task force 3/1 to share the past 10 years of Sublette suicide data. Contact Trisha if you would like a copy of this report. The Sheriff offered to include 1 hour QPR training at the Concealed Carry/Firearms Safety training going on this summer at BOCES. The Sheriff reported that firearms were involved in 22 of the 29 suicide deaths in Sublette since 2011. The task force is enthusiastic about the opportunity to do QPR training at Concealed Carry training to reach gun owners. There is strong support in the task force for promoting and distributing childsafe gun locks.

Melinda reported that invoices are coming in for Sublette Mental Health funds from the various counseling agencies. The Poker Run has pledged to raise funds again at the annual ride June 12. Melinda requested that future donations to the fund (advertised on the current flyer) benefit all ages. Cassie requested that MH fund flyers be added to the jail discharge packet. Tegler's 5 mile fun run may be willing to add the MH fund to groups they benefit. Peggy Weber will contact Tegler's. Matthew Daniels reported that 40 people from Emmanuel Baptist Church were trained

as QPR Gatekeepers March 7 in a very interactive training. Matthew will provide follow up with the youth groups.

Opioids and Other Drugs: Sarah Murdock reported on HB 0209, a bill that would legalize and regulate recreational marijuana, was introduced last week in the legislature.

Coalition members recommended those opposing the bill to focus on Colorado's experience of the costs of impacts from legal marijuana exceeding the revenue generated through tax. Trisha will keep members informed of the bill's progress as it moves through the legislature.

Sarah reported that Bridges out of Poverty is looking for volunteers to mentor people graduating from the current class. Mentors need to commit to meeting with their person 1x a month for one year. The current Bridges class is looking into opening a chapter of Habitat for Humanity in Sublette to support affordable housing.

Tobacco: Quit classes going well with 5 people having quit as of this date. Smokefree campaign is ongoing with 4 businesses promoted and 5 to go. This task force needs co-chairs! Please contact Trisha if you are interested. This is a one hour per month commitment.

Community reports:

SAFV: Tessa Miller reported the pilot community grant needs volunteers. The grant focuses on primary prevention of sexual violence through reaching 12 - 24 year olds. Please contact Tessa for more info.

DFS: Annie Adams reported that the Adult Protective team is getting trained from the FBI to help educate older adults on phone scams, which are increasing.

Hope + Choice: Emmy Daniels: Starting second session of mentoring program and have 12 boys and 8 girls enrolled.

Teton Behavior Therapy has opened their new counseling clinic at Magnolia and Tyler St., with social worker and counselor Kelsi Sluyter MSW and Dana Maguire LPC providing counseling services. To contact TBT please call 307-734-6040.

The Sublette mental health/suicide prevention fund supports counseling at this agency and at High Country Behavioral Health: 307-367-2157

Adjourn formal meeting 1:15.