MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY HOMELESS ALLIANCE

Youth & Young Adults Subcommittee

May 10th, 2024 | 10:00 - 11:30 am

Minutes

PARTICIPANTS

Winter Shute, Church at the Park.
Elijah, Youth Era.
Faye Sanders, Youth Era.
Hailey, Punx with Purpose.
Jay Greenfield, Punx with Purpose.
Megan Perez, Home Youth Services.
Rachel McKee, MWVCAA.
David Peak, MWVCAA.
Heather Pascoe, Willamette Health Council .
Savannah, Church at the Park.
Lynn Marquez,Church at the Park.

INTRODUCTIONS AND WIN-WALL

Winter, Win was going on a hike with the young adults from the C@P site.
Elijah, win was one of his youth recently got off probation.
Faye, win was this was 3 rd week at Youth era so still building trust with clients.
Savannah, win was after meeting plans to transport a new young adult to the young adult site.
Megan, win was that David's House is close to opening and have completed 4 pre-intakes. Jay, win was Punx had a successful pop up event this last month with another planned.
David, win is that the QR codes and material are ready to go along with new youth assessors have been hired.
Rachel, win is that new promo material is ready to distribute.
Heather, win is there is further ability to provide assistance to existing clients.
Lynn, win is she just returned from an extended vacation.
Hailey, win is she was able to provide youth with a full new wardrobe.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Winter motioned to approve the agenda stating Backbone would not be present so we would need to postpone that part of the agenda, Elijah made the motion and the motion passed.

SUMMER EVENTS

The group discussed summer events occurring.
Hailey brought up Punx with Purpose events upcoming, 06/15, 07/20, 08/10 and 09/14.
Elijah spoke that Monmouth has Pride on 06/01 and Happy Dance happening on 05/18 in Fall City.

VOICES OF YOUTH COUNT

- For the Voices of Youth count Elaine sent out questions for feedback.
- Backbone gave their feedback that gender identity questions needed to be changed.

- Chapin hall created this toolkit that Winter will be sending out.
- The group discussed when the Voices of Youth count should be conducted and the topic of if we should conduct this at the time of Punx in the Park so we could target more youth who may be in need.
- There were concerns regarding the question surrounding sheltered vs. unsheltered on the questionnaire and if a volunteer is filling out this form and selects the wrong choice and accidentally creates a situation where they select the youth are sheltered when in reality they are unsheltered.
- Hailey suggested having a booth at Punx in the Park where there are Case Managers on the spot and ready to go if the youth filing out the survey say they would like to receive more follow up resources. Creating a plan to ensure that youth are supported and reflected on a situation from a recent Punx with Purpose event where a youth was in need and David's House was at the event and was able to asses on the spot and now work with the youth to get a pre-intake into David's House.
- The group spoke about the length the survey should be and how there should be more intentional work with MVP workers.
- Marianne Bradshaw sent in an email with feedback asking to add where they slept- Rural Polk, Rural Marion, Salem.
- Rachel said HUD updated their gender identity answers to just state transgender or multiple options.
- Their were more questions around question #17 and that it is worded weird so it was purposed to be changed to, "Which would best describe or what do you identify with?"

Announcements

Youth Era is currently looking for a foster care specific person.
Punx with Purpose is having a pop up on 05/25 from 12-4pm, 12-1pm will be a sensory hour for those who will be overstimulated with louder noises.
Hailey wanted to give her work number to the group #971-397-3817.

Meeting Adjourned 11:00 AM