

DV CCRT - Domestic Violence Community Coordinated Response Team
June 22, 2006
Meeting Minutes

Updates/Announcements

- a. St. Joseph (the worker) Church/Convent, 331 Rumsey St SW. Support groups for Latino Women are held every Monday from 7-8:30. There is a once a month breakfast where different issues are discussed from 9 AM – 1 PM. Referrals should be made through the Hispanic Center, Tx. 742-0223.
- b. Annita List, MSW, ACSW of Diversity Counseling & her MSW student Angie Vargas Avendano, speak once a month (Tuesdays) on *La Maquina, local 1410 AM radio station from 10 – 11 AM*. She specifically addresses domestic violence in our community. Annita is on the Board of BISC-MI and is most recently involved in Standards for DV Programs, as well as other tasks. She welcomes any comments or suggestions. She can be contacted at 451-1965.
- c. CCRT letterhead is now available
- d. July 18, September 19, November 21 from 6-9pm - Domestic Violence orientation at Safe Haven – call 452-6664 for details and to sign up.
- e. Safe Haven Ministries – August 3, 2006 – SAVE THE DATE – Bowl-O-Rama at Northfield Lanes.
- f. Sexual Assault Action Team – Fall 2006 – Internet Safety Course
- g. YWCA has received funding for permanent housing from MSHDA and hope to finalize local funding within the next month.
- h. YWCA is a finalist for Supervised Visitation grant. They asked for very minor budget changes--more from one category to another. We should be good to go as long as they actually get the money. The war effort is putting a damper on new funding allocations.
- i. The YWCA has met with all of the police chiefs etc and are good to go for DV forensic examinations. They will be meeting with the judges in September and are starting the search for money now.
- j. RAVE is working on updating the In Touch With Teens curriculum, is making some changes to the Peer Education Drama program and will continue programming throughout the summer.

Healing Path

- a. The Subcommittee met 2-3 times to review recommendations for changes.
- b. A few additional corrections were made at the meeting (adjustments in titles, times of operation and phone numbers)
- c. There was a motion to approve the update version (version that was sent via email along with the agenda for the meeting) of the HP and send to print on Friday. 5000 copies will be made.
- d. Questions were raised about the availability of the HP electronically. Everyone is welcome to have a link from their site directly to the CCRT site and the HP.
- e. The CCRT will continue to allow other communities to use the HP – which there is a long history of allowing – the HP was created by and for the community.

Financial Report

- a. Balance - \$21,381.04
- b. Budget for this year's projects:
 - a. Printing of the HP - \$5,000
 - b. October DV Awareness month events - \$1,300
 - c. Media Campaign - \$13,500
 - d. Media Luncheon - \$400
- c. The budget was adjusted somewhat in order to print additional copies of the HP – as over 7,000 copies have been dispersed over the past 18 months.

Sub-committee Reports

- a. Media sub-committee (Jennifer Marcum):
 - a. Proposed date for the luncheon is September
 - b. Sub-committee is working with the CMC to monitor reports of DV and how the information is portrayed/covered in the media.
 - c. Working on creating media packs with a cover letter to the media outlets
 - d. Will work on gathering all 2005 DV stats in order to create a comprehensive handout for luncheon participants
 - e. Next meeting is scheduled for July 27 at 11am at the Courthouse – conference room on the 5th floor.

- b. Website (Cavan Berry)
 - a. Please send calendar events to Cavan to post on website
 - b. Rosalynn will send Cavan latest agenda and minutes from past meetings to post on website.
 - c. Updated HP will be posted on site

- c. Public Awareness Campaign (Jim Benison)
 - a. Discussion regarding what number to put on the campaign
 - b. CCRT members agreed to put 211 on campaign information – but only if there was a training of 211 staff before the campaign kickoff
 - c. 211 can mail copies of HP if requested by callers
 - d. Rosalynn will contact Bob Haight to discuss a training
 - e. Would like to kick – off the campaign in October
 - f. Annie Funke will follow up to make sure next meeting is scheduled
 - g. Please bring plan/ideas along with costs to the next CCRT meeting

- d. DV Awareness Month (Annie Funke)
 - a. Sub-committee has met several times to discuss ideas, which include:
 - i. having a series of events take place throughout the month including in-services, workshops, etc. (some organizations are already doing this) Suggestion to contact Stephanie Flood to present/provide info to nurses
 - ii. Bringing in a speaker – partnering with GVSU
 - iii. Sponsoring a film at Wealthy Street Theater
 - iv. Displaying DV info at libraries and bookstores
 - v. Setting up “An Empty Place at the Table” at the Mall (this is similar to a silent witness)
 - vi. Contact Theresa McCullen from the Press and ask them to write a story.
 - vii. Target beauty salons to provide information and resources (SHM is already doing this)

*** To gain a better understanding of all the events that agencies are currently working on for DV Awareness Month, please send Annie Funke (afunke@childresource.cc) all details (date, time, cost, location, type of event, etc.) of an event you're planning to have in October. We would like to create a community calendar that would be available to the public on our website. This would also be a great help as the CCRT plans their events around what is currently happening as well.**

**Next Meeting – July 27, 2006 - noon at the Kent County Courthouse
5th Floor Conference Room**