

MMRC ROSC Subcommittee Meeting Oct 23 2023

In attendance: Jon Magnuson, Lindsay Minor, Elyse Schoen, Kevin Schott, Amanda Majors, Chas Swearingen, Stephanie Dalton, Holly Woulfe, Taylor Bates, Candi Mazza, Jenna Hayes, Savannah Holthaus, Valerie Belusko

Introduced new people: first explained purpose of meeting (action group), everyone introduced themselves

Gaps:

- Housing: Updates on Housing: Will have someone from Centerstone talk about recovery transitional housing, found a grant today as well focused on rural communities – working with landlords in the area to develop agreements – Pathways to Removing Obstacles - HUD
 - Jon M. – majority of my clients – people that need housing the most – federally subsidized housing not great for them – because disqualified – lots of houses that go up for auction – can find decent home for \$10-12 K – get livable nice standard for \$10/12K – have lead agency be in charge – can do month to month leases – wants to find around \$50 K in funding. If had 1 or 2 homes in Litchfield could be manageable administratively.
 - Only housing available are hotels and Air-BNBs
 - Taylor B. talked about creating a community of “tiny houses.”
 - Next step: Put on agenda of community wellness committee which will get around \$700K per year.
- Engagement: We are required to hit a variety of different stakeholder sectors. Continuing to have difficulty getting police involvement. We learned at the statewide meeting that we don’t necessarily have to have them at the table – just how you are working with them that connects to what they are doing.
 - Asked police dept. if have safety needle containers in their cars
 - Is there a chiefs meeting that we can join and count as a “PLE” to bring their perspectives back to the ROSC.
 - Last week there was a mayor’s meeting at county board chair - occasionally county mayors’ meetings - that is an open meeting. We need to consider joining.
 - Sheriff Robins does have chief meetings occasionally but generally not open to the public
 - Is there a police liaison that represents the police department with the community that we can join?
 - Discuss the idea of using a “group me” “what’s up” texts to provide quick systems for referral response. Have someone from every facility/program agree to be on that app. We can work on a way to get that service faster via ROSC. We can utilize Michelle (Recover corps Project coordinator).
- Stigma: Michelle is going to be project coordinator for Americorps – will start on the 3rd. She is going to be working at SFW but want ROSC to utilize her – she will be engaging in community events

- Community Wellness community talked about doing surveys in the community – can use Michelle for.
- Kevin Schott spoke about tomorrow night’s event with Chris Fields who was a firefighter who carried baby out of Oklahoma bombing – got a lot of attention – he went through hell, was an alcoholic, got divorced – will share his message. A woman from Nokomis will also speak on suicide. Encourage anyone to come – open to everybody at the event center in Hillsboro at 6 PM. Welcome to put tables up as well.
- Flyer – State of IL – grant through Fire Marshalls office – community risk committee – morphing into a locked. They do mental health programs through their fire department. They do this through city fire dep – want to do county wide. Will share at next community wellness meeting.
- Deliverables: non due at this time. We have already submitted for end of October
- Transportation: no updates
- Drug Take Back Day – October 28th – this coming Saturday – anything to do as a council? Last year had advertised to community and partnered with Michelle’s pharmacy – all were entered into raffle and drew at the end of the week
- Creating a logo board for our ROSC? - would love to have logo to add to ROSC logo.
 - May want to add to MOAs going forward
- Have folders ready to go for new members – what we have done, what we are working towards – what a ROSC do generally
 - What mission is? ROSC definition now includes mental health
- Next meeting: Guests you would like to hear from for the main meeting? Anyone reach out to Locust Street – Elyse S is working on contacting them but waiting on Jon M. – on consortium but haven’t invited to speak. May not have staff to be available for this.
 - Locust has a crisis response service – most places go through 988 – that has lots of hiccups
 - Stephanie would be happy to speak about Centerstone in general but will be on Jury Duty next month.
 - LSRC Living Room Program. Someone to talk about their living room program.
 - Making a Difference Program – focus on homeless services
 - Someone with a background in criminal justice and criminal justice programs