

Moultrie and Shelby County ROSC Minutes

When: July 9th

Time: 3:30 PM

Where: Elizabeth Titus Memorial Library & Zoom

MSCRC Meeting Minutes

Notetaker: Skylar Miller

Introduction of attendees

Patti Mullins, Tess Miller, Skylar Miller, Liesl Wingert, Susie Kensil, Johanna Gonzalez, Julie Pohlman, Rebecca Comstock, Jenna Hays, Camille Gordan, Carrie Mackenzie, Kristin Davis, and Leanna Morgan.

Fiscal Year 24 MSCRC Accomplishments

Skylar Miller reviewed our accomplishments from the past fiscal year. If you would like to see the accomplishment sheet, please refer to the GSU website, or check it out on the MSCRC Facebook Page.

Spotlight Speaker/Agency

Presenter: Camille Gordon – Director of Outreach and Prevention at HOPE of East Central IL

Camille Gordon discussed her role and the mission/values behind her organization. She mentioned that the shelter is a 45-day shelter. They have a crisis hotline, transitional housing, children's programs and much more! HOPE aims to help those that suffer from domestic violence, and give them a safe place to live. HOPE services seven counties, excluding Effingham County. HOPE also has a contract with Rise. This contract allows an in-house counselor to be available at HOPE. **Camille** also hosts groups at the Hour House in Charleston. She also mentioned that they tend to be busier around this time of the year. She also stated that they opened up an office in Edgar County and the other four offices are in Charleston.

Tess Miller asked if it was typical for the summer months to be busier?

Camille Gordon stated that it is typical for the summer months to be busier than winter. She says that this could be because the weather is nicer and individuals can walk. Some individuals do not have transportation.

Tess Miller mentioned the established DOPP sites in Moultrie/Shelby County. Please see below...

- o Shelbyville Spillway Motel

- o Shelbyville Salvation Army

- o Moultrie County Sheriffs Dept.
- o Sullivan Public Library
- o Christ Tabernacle Church in Herrick
- o Family Drug Pharmacy in Shelbyville
- o Lovington Library
- o Sullivan Pharmacy
- o The Bethany Diner
- o Bethany Village Hall
- o Shelbyville Senior Center (Plaza Boutique)
- o Fellow Baptist Church Food Pantry
- o Windsor Library

Partnerships with Pharmacies

- o Family Drug Pharmacy in Shelbyville
- o Moweaqua Pharmacy
- o Sullivan Pharmacy

Tess Miller then mentioned that the MSCRC is always looking for placement on DOPP sites. She stated if anyone knows of an individual and/or agency that would benefit from a site to please let her or Skylar know.

Barrier discussion within Moultrie/Shelby Counties

Tess Miller discussed the previous barrier discussion in June. She stated that individuals have stated that homelessness is typically ignored. However, we learned from our prior discussion that it is not necessarily that it is being ignored; it is that there are not enough resources to go around. Organizations that can aid in this concern are CEFS, DOVE Inc., Salvation Army, local churches, etc. ROSC will aid in continuing to be that dot connector.

Tess Miller mentioned that this month she is going to open the discussion about the stigma that surrounds substance use disorder. **Tess** mentioned that stigma is still very prevalent within Shelby and Moultrie counties. She mentioned when calling individuals regarding attending the second chance employment fair, she heard frequently that “we do not want to hire *those type* of people”. She wishes to find ways to reduce the stigma and find ways to approach individuals that have stigmatizing language.

Rebecca Comstock mentioned an instance where one of her clients was stigmatized by a person in authority. She mentioned that she felt very sad for her client for having to sit through a situation like that.

Camille Gordon stated that the stigma is prevalent across various populations.

Tess Miller asked Liesl to give a brief summary of her training that she hosts. She facilitates the Drug and Endangered Children/Human Trafficking training.

Liesl Wingert discussed the training briefly and gave some dates that she will be facilitating the training. However, she did say that if we wanted to schedule a training with her, it would be free of charge covered by SIU.

Tess Miller mentioned the potential to gather various organizations that were interested and schedule a date.

Communication Campaign Introduction

Tess Miller discussed their communication campaign. This campaign will be implemented by all counties that have a ROSC Council under their lead agency the Hour House. This campaign aims to reduce the stigma and increase the education surrounding substance use disorder and recovery. **Tess** mentioned that as of now we have had 63 responses to our survey that we sent out with the introduction of the campaign.

MSCRC Event Updates

Tess Miller mentioned that we have the Candle Light Vigil on August 30th from 6p-8p. The location is the same as last year at the Chautauqua Auditorium. She discussed the details of the event. Please be on the lookout for the flyer.

Recovery Navigator Update

Skylar Miller stated that her education groups were going really well. She is proud of the work that individuals are putting into the education groups. She stated that she cannot wait for FY 25! **Skylar** also mentioned that our speaker for the Candle Light Vigil will be the first woman to begin her recovery journey at Restoration Farms, Lindsay J. **Skylar** will have her walking group on the first Thursday of every month. Stay tuned for flyer details.

Next Meeting: August 6th, 2024 at 3:30p @ Shelbyville Outpatient Office and via Zoom

Where to Find Past Minutes: <https://www.govst.edu/ROSC-GSU/ROSCC>