



## **Kent County Prevention Coalition (KCPC) April 2014 General Assembly Meeting Minutes**

### **Attendance:**

Mark Thomson (D.A. Blodgett-St. Johns), Brian Hartl (Kent County Health Department), Shandra Steininger (Arbor Circle), Patti Warmington (Cherry Street Health Services), Michele Stitt (Kent County Prevention Coalition), Ashley Davis (Arbor Circle), Zena Patillo (Family Outreach Center), Meghan Aupperlee (Wedgwood Christian Services), Sheila Garner (Medical Mile Resource Group), Erin Rosa (Family Outreach Center), Anne King (Community Member), Cle Jackson (Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan), Brian Chisholm (network180), Carolyn Guyton (Campfire USA), Conrad Church (Pokagon Band of Potawatomi), Kyle Ringwald (Kent School Services Network), Sharon Schmidt (Kent County Health Department), Lisa Tambllyn-Bergman (Community Recovery at the Vineyard), Sarah Russell (Kent School Services Network), Allison Corso (Kent School Services Network), Mike McElrath (SeyferthPR), Marcus Beemon (Community Family Partnership).

**WELCOME** – Greetings, housekeeping information, and introductions were facilitated to welcome members and guests. Shannon acknowledged that Network 180 graciously provided a special lunch today. She also indicated that the meeting would be a bit shorter so as to allow for time to stuff swag bags for the upcoming Youth Summit.

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS ACTION/DECISION ITEMS**

- Approval of April 22, 2014 meeting agenda
  - 1<sup>st</sup> – Patti Warmington 2<sup>nd</sup> –Shandra Steininger ALL APPROVED
- Approval of August General Assembly (GA) minutes
  - 1<sup>st</sup> – Brian Hartl 2<sup>nd</sup> –Patti Warmington ALL APPROVED
- General Assembly Meeting Minutes. As part of the KCPC Giving T efforts, member organizations are being asked to take minutes during future general assembly meetings. The minutes should be submitted to Shannon by the Tuesday following the GA meeting. This provides one week for the minutes to be completed. The following organizations are assigned to the next few months of 2014:
  - **April:** D.A. Blodgett
  - **May:** Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore

### **Coalition Successes**

The following successes were shared with members:

**New Sponsors:** Shannon reported that Old Navy and Taco Bell have signed on as Youth Summit sponsors this year.

**Reach Your Summit Testimonial Video:** A spinoff of the Opening Summit Video, Reach Your Summit Testimonial videos were shared with the group. The testimonial videos afford community youth a platform to inspire their peers in Reaching their Summit! The theme for this year's Youth Summit is "Reach Your Summit", encouraging teens to live their best lives by overcoming challenges to their goals and dreams. Youth Summit attendees will have the opportunity to record their own video testimonial by sharing their personal testimonies.

### **Celebration of KCPC Youth Coalition Graduating Seniors!**

Youth Coalition seniors will be celebrated at the May General Assembly Meeting. Please plan to attend as a way of honoring this great group of teens.

### **Science and Action**

**Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Michigan "Let's Talk Health Week":** Cle Jackson, Senior Community Liaison for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Michigan attended today's meeting to share details about the upcoming "Let's Talk Health Week" starting the week of June 9. This weeklong event will reinforce many of the messages of the Youth Summit.

- **Monday, June 9<sup>th</sup>:** "The Power of Prevention", The Salvation Army's Kroc Center from 5:30 to 7:30 P.M. This will focus on giving insight to parents on preventing alcohol and drug use among their teens. This is an event for parents and teens. Food will be provided for attendees.
- **Tuesday, June 10<sup>th</sup>:** Youth & Parent Forum held in partnership with local faith communities and organizations. The focus will be on the impact of the Affordable Care Act and its impact on our community—specifically those who have been underserved in the past.
- **Wednesday, June 11<sup>th</sup>:** Community Wide Fitness Plan held at New Hope Baptist Church.

- **Thursday, June 12<sup>th</sup>:** Grand Rapids African-American Health Institute will hold a black tie fund-raiser event.
- **Friday, June 13<sup>th</sup>:** ‘Real Men Cook’ competition held at Messiah Baptist Church in which participants will be encouraged to cook healthy cuisine. The first place prize is \$500!
- **Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup>:** Grand City Sports in partnership with Omega Psi Phi Fraternity to host a golf outing and expo at Quail Ridge golf course. The focus will be on men’s health. Vendors are encouraged to participate.

**Race, Culture and Health Lunch and Learn – NEW DATE!** The Race, Culture & Health Lunch and Learn that was originally slated for January has been rescheduled for Tuesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>. The event will take the place of the regularly scheduled GA Meeting and will be held at The Postma Center located on the main campus of Pine Rest Christian Mental Health Services; 300 68th St SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49548

**Discussion and Action Items**

**KCPC Above the Influence-Kent County Youth Summit 2014: 10 DAYS AWAY!**

- Michele Stitt reminded the group that the Youth Summit is only ten days away!She reported that the background checks for volunteers have been completed and volunteers will soon get their notices on assignments and responsibilities.
- Chaperone packets should be received by the end of this week. Those who have signed up as chaperones should read through the materials thoroughly.
- The following dates were reviewed:

**May 1<sup>st</sup> Set-Up Day/Volunteer Orientation**

- 12PM - 12AM: Master Set-Up
  - *Additional volunteers needed*
- 5-6PM: Volunteer Orientation [GVSU-Allendale/ Kelly Family Sports Center]
- **May 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Youth Summit 2014 8AM-2PM [GVSU-Allendale]
  - Things to know
    - Parking
    - T-shirts and more!

**Final Summit Reminders**

- Resource Fair Participants
  - “People’s Choice Award”
  - Set up Time
- Summit Schedule

**Key Dates:**

**April 25<sup>th</sup> – Youth Summit 2014 Friday Work Days @ Network180 [Summit Ground Zero] 1-3pm**

**Announcements / Information**

- **Community Family Partnerships:** The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Up2U Mental Health Festival will be held on May 17<sup>th</sup> at Roger’s Plaza Town Center from 1 to 4 P.M.

**Next GA Meeting:** Tuesday, May 27th @ Haworth Interphase @ MoDiv 40 Monroe Center, NW, 49503



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