North Brevard Coalition of Human Services
"Providing a hand up, not just a handout"
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MINUTES
Monthly Meeting 10:00 a.m. @ Harry T. Moore Social Services Center
May 17, 2017
PLEASE BRING A COPY OF AGENDA WITH YOU TO THE MEETING

I. Invocation — **Volunteer**

II. Welcome – Introductions — **Chair**

See attached Sign In for Attendance.

III. Minutes Approval — **Secretary**

- **Approved**

IV. Finance Report — **Treasurer**

- **$2001**
    1. **$1501 for Project Eat/$500 for Directory**

V. Speaker: Substance Abuse with Teens and Elderly — Titusville Police Department

Heroine—Increase of 241% nationally. Why the increase? Oxi is so strictly regulated; heroine is cheaper and an easy jump from pills.

- **Every 60 minutes in America, a person overdoses on heroine.**
- **CDC—heroine claimed more lives than a firearm in 2015.**
- **Heroine is laced with Fentanol—the mixture is deadly—and small doses.**
    - **Suburban teenagers—are the goal.**
- **Jan 2017 22 confirmed overdosed cases in Titusville**
- **Heroine equipment: cigarette filters, aluminum foil.**

- **Heroine is a white powder. Black tarry substance as well. Black tar is the fastest and cheapest to produce. Brown heroine and easy processing. White heroine is the most refined of all.**
- **Often combined with other drugs—heroine and marijuana; heroine and xanex; heroine and cocaine; heroine and ecstasy; heroine & meth**
- **Heroine Source: Mexico, primarily**
- **Slang Terms: smack, dope, mud, horse, skag, junk, h, black tar, brown sugar, witchhazel, dragon, hero, and white stuff.**
- **Injection between the toes is common to hide a heroine addiction**

IMPORTANT: OD is not an arrest; it's a medical event. Those OD'ed are not arrested; and are easily back on the street. The issue is it's cheap. Cutting with fentonal decreases the cost for the dealers. And they often don't know how much is in their heroine they are selling.

- **Where to get help?**

Recovery Village—Umatilla

Orlando Recovery Center

Beachway Recovery Center (Rockledge)

- **One of the medications that we use to help addicts is Methadone. Easing withdrawal symptoms. However, the percentage is low to wean from methadone.**

Rehab is the first step. They must admit they have a problem.

In-patient facilities are critical situations. 60-90 days typically for outpatient.

- **Is there particular higher usage among teenagers, young adults, or middle age? 19-25 has been the age group with ODs--22 since January 2017. Narcane is the drug that saves people from OD.**
- **Have we rang the bell that we do have that problem? The trend is across the U.S. Only recently in the past 9 months has it been noticed here in Titusville. The past 8 months, laced with fentenol, has appeared in Titusville, per Officers. "If you see something, say something."**
- **Main Priority with the Vice Unit is the dealers with the heroine.**
- **Marchman Act—when an individual can't make their own decisions due to an addiction or other mental condition. Police have authority to do both Marchman and Baker Act.**

VI. Agency Announcements/update (2-minute limit)

- **VITAS:**
  1. **Aging Matters: Diabetes (See attachment)**
- **Paxon Community Connections: Partnered with DJD**
  1. **Summer Enrichment Program: 14-18 yrs old (on Barnes Blvd)**
  2. **The Forge Youth Center. Titusville. www.theforge.center (See attachment)**
     - **Starts June 6: 1-4PM Tuesday-Thursday, 7-11pm Fridays.**
     - **Partnered with Second Harvest and UF Extension office to feed students and offer recreational and life-skills activities for teens!**
- **Jennifer Taylor:**
  1. **Foster Care Task Force: May 6 Appreciation Day went well.**

- **Rockledge to Mims—only a dozen Foster homes available.**

2. **Partners in Health Program: Elderly having difficulty with followup after procedures.**

- **Marie Hunsaker—St Gabriel's—improvement in Foster care efforts. St. Gabriel's is hosting an NA Meeting for seniors with drug addiction. Wednesdays at 12PM.**
- **Counseling Services at St. Gabriel's at Everyone's Counseling Services (handout)-**
- **Trey Gordon: Met with Mark Broms and Tara (Family Promise)**

1. **The best model for the case management site is to have a "point person"**
2. **The City is willing to keep that in their budget.**
3. **More information to come next meeting.**

VII. Pass the Hat: for Project E.A.T. **Treasurer**

- **$21.00**

VIII. Motion to Adjourn

REMINDERS:

IX. Monthly Meetings:

- **Officers** – 1st Friday – Sunrise Bakery June 2, 2017 – Time: 8:30 a.m.
- **General** – 3rd Wednesday – June 21, 2017, Harry T. Moore Social Service Center, Titusville.

Mission Statement

The North Brevard Coalition of Human Services will serve to educate the community and individual agencies about existing services; to work cooperatively to develop services that fill unmet needs; and as a united group, act as a consultant to individual agencies in the preparation, review and submission of grant proposals or the development of new projects or programs.

Mission

NBCHS's mission is education, coordination, and facilitation of community transformation through partnerships of community organizations. Together, the member organizations have found ways to assist many families and individuals who would otherwise have trouble meeting basic human needs including food, clothing, and shelter.

History

The North Brevard Coalition of Human Services, "NBCHS" or "the Coalition", founded in 1994, is an unincorporated association of over one hundred community and faith-based organizations that has continually served as a grass-roots movement to successfully impact and improve the quality of life for families and individuals in need.