



DWI PLANNING COUNCIL MEETING
Wellness Center
March 21, 2017
12:05 pm

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Robert Mundy	John Chavez	Ragon Espinoza
Carol Claus	Ryan Gray	Cruz Munoz
Joshua Baca	Savannah Brandenburg-Koch	

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jesus Garay	Calvin Lucero	Bryan Byrd

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP:

Esther Padilla	Angela Ramirez	Ginny Adame
Adrian Spotted Bird	Jessica Sanchez	Nathanial Blanton
Lydia Duarte	Marisa Martinez	Charlene Gabaldon
Therese Jiron	Alonzo Garcia	Tina Garcia
Linda Montano	Joann Cordova-Sanchez	

President, The Very Reverend Robert Mundy, opened meeting at 12:05pm;

Self-introductions.

Review and approval of agenda. Motion to approve agenda by Cruz Munoz; 2nd by Ryan Gray; All in favor. Approved.

Review and approval of December 13, 2017 minutes. Motion to approve minutes by Ragon Espinoza; 2nd by Ryan Gray; All in favor. Approved.

New Business:

Update on HB 35 – by Ginny Adame:

- Ms. Ginny provided an update on the funding that was available for the FY2019 Distribution Application prior to the passage of HB35 (\$289,894) as the amount was not available during the December DWI Planning Council meeting and she also provided the updated Distribution amount following the passage of HB35 (\$329,788) and then the Grant application amount sought (\$140,223) following the passage of HB35. She advised the Council that last year our program was awarded \$31,000 in Grant funding which is a difference of (\$109,223).
- HB35 for FY2019 had a provision of allowing one more year of funding to be allocated from the DWI Programs to AOC to supplement Drug Court funding which has a fiscal impact of \$1.6 million dollars from the 45% funding allocated to the DWI Programs.
- Additionally, the alcohol excise taxes projected to be collected, as predicted by the Tax and Revenue Department (TRD), was expected to decrease notably. Ms. Ginny explained that both the DWI Affiliate and DFA has repeatedly asked for accounting for the alcohol excise taxes being collected and an audit on those funds which has not taken place and won't likely take place unless an outside entity pays to have an audit performed.
- Ms. Ginny explained that if the funding requested in the Grant did not come in at the amount being requested that significant changes would have to be made which may include the discontinuance of the Treatment program and/or the necessity to seek funding to keep the program running from the County and Municipalities.

Rocky Mountain Offender Monitoring System (RMOMS) Update – by Lydia Duarte:

- Ms. Lydia informed the group that their company had been bought by Core Civic;
- With the change to Core Civic RMOMS operates and is managed in the same manner as they did previously, but with some changes in the equipment utilized.
- Ms. Lydia reported on the change in equipment from Soberlink to AMS (Alcohol Monitoring System) and noted the increased picture quality and better GPS options.

Presentation from DPS SIU—by Rick Chavez

2017 SIU enforcement action in Valencia County.

- 15 locations checked during Minor Compliance operations
- 78 locations checked during Premise Inspections
- 68 locations checked during Sales to Intoxicated operations
- 17 locations checked during Underage Enforcement operations

2018 SIU enforcement action in Valencia County to date.

- 50 locations checked during Minor Compliance operations
- 18 locations checked during Premise Inspections
- 18 locations checked during Sales to Intoxicated operations
- 02 locations checked during Underage Enforcement operations

On-Going Business:

YDI/Teen Court/Youth Coalition Update – by Mr. Cruz Munoz:

- Teen Court currently only has one referral for drug possession and paraphernalia. From the beginning of Teen Court with YDI there have been 145 referrals that have completed the program and of those only two recidivated.
- Youth Coalition Teen Outreach Program has a group of 25 youth and the group will end in May.
- YDI received three more years of funding for the Teen Outreach Program for youth 12-17 years old and aims at reducing teen pregnancy by educating middle school students, raising community awareness, and strengthening life and leadership skills. This program also offers a \$200 stipend for those who participate for the nine month period and attend a meeting once a month. This program will be starting again in September.
- There are two openings for youth Garden Keeper and a Youth Farming Internship. More information can be found at: <https://youth-development-inc.ninjabig.com/> .

Drug Court – By Mr. Ragon Espinoza:

- There are currently 14 participants with a 30 participant matrix;
- They are seeing a lot of clients who are diagnosed as bi-polar and require intensive treatment;
- Mr. Espinoza announced that they would be hosting Courts to Schools in Belen on April 13th starting and 9:00am and invited everyone to attend and requested that if anyone knew of a client or family member impacted by DWI who wanted to share their story to please contact him.

District Attorney's Office – By Ms. Savannah Brandenburg-Koch:

- Felony DWIs are up in Valencia County;
- A number of the felony DWIs include Child Abuse as part of the charges;
- Although the DA's office is in the process of hiring a new ADA for DWIs, ADA Aaron Baca, who is currently prosecuting community crimes, is knowledgeable in the DWI arena and is available for information if needed;
- Ms. Ginny followed up on the status of the training for law enforcement agencies and Ms. Savannah provided an update that due to large caseloads and high turnover within the DA's office that it has been difficult to focus on putting a training together, but that they continue to make that a priority.

Prevention/Enforcement – By Ms. Ginny Adame:

- Prevention:
 - An update on the Community surveys was provided;
 - The Community Wellness Council (CWC) and the DWI Program is joining together to conduct the New Mexico Community Survey that is funded by the NM Office of Substance Abuse Prevention and the Responsible Gaming Association and is overseen and administered by the Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation (PIRE);
 - The survey is valuable in an ongoing study to help provide substance abuse, gambling, mental health, and perception data that is informative for communities in guiding their prevention and enforcement efforts;
 - Most data used for community planning/grant applications tends to be 3-5 years old by the time it is available, while the Community Survey is available within the year which is very helpful in identifying emerging trends.

- Enforcement:
 - Not funded since FY17 due to lack of funding;

Compliance – Mr. Nate Blanton reported:

- Quarterly Compliance meeting was held prior to DWI Planning Council meeting where discussions/updates on: the Compliance Ad-Hoc Committee, referrals of DV non-alcohol involved cases, referrals of Misdemeanor DWIs from District Court, referrals to Misdemeanor Compliance versus the Adult Probation and Parole Office and Probation Violation procedures took place.
- The Quarterly Compliance meetings have been a good venue for ongoing communication between community partners and the DWI Program and the DWI Program received a compliment from the Domestic Violence Shelter reiterating just how effectively our teams have been communicating. Clear, open, and regular lines communication are keys to the great teamwork that is taking place.
- Mr. Nate reported that there are currently 227 clients some of which are in active hold status. Of the 227 cases, 124 are DWI cases 26 are DV cases and 20 are other Misdemeanor cases.

Alternative Sentencing/RMOMS – By Ms. Lydia Duarte provided as part of her earlier presentation—see section above titled Rocky Mountain Offender Monitoring System (RMOMS) Update.

Treatment – by Ms. Joann Cordova-Sanchez and Angela Ramirez:

- Welcome to Ms. Joann who jointed our treatment team in February 2018 and brings with her 35 years of treatment experience, a great passion for substance abuse treatment/recovery, and is bilingual which is very valuable to our clients especially considering a lack of bilingual LADACs in our community;
- The Treatment Program is being restructured with: clients attending a specific group night, Materials for group topics being organized into Addiction, Recovery, and Relapse, all groups getting the same topic on the same week, adding individual therapy to Level II and Level III clients weekly, Level I clients to be seen a total of three individual sessions during the course of three months, and resources for treatment being updated by Angela.
- In the last three months, the program has admitted 16 Male clients, 9 Female clients for a total of 25 new clients with 7 people waiting for their initial intake.
- There are 35 total clients: 27 who are on Probation, 5 who are Self-Referrals and 3 Other.

Open Discussion/Topics for Next Meeting:

- Ms. Violeta Lopez-Unzeta provided an update about parenting programs/Scoutreach and will email a flyer for a fundraiser and Chilis to be shared with the DWI Planning Council.
- No other Discussion or recommendations for meeting topics at this time.

The Very Reverend Mundy called for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Judge Chavez; No objections, meeting adjourned.

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Reviewed and Approved By DWI Planning Council:

Dated: _____
