

Allocation Advisory Committee for Prevention Programs

Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, May 14, 2019

Location - Sound View Conference Room 1, 3602 Pacific Ave, Tacoma, WA 98418

- I. **Call to Order:** ^{Dylan} Kelvin Ceasar called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Members Present:	Staff Present:	Excused:	Absent:
Dylan Brown, Chair Marcella Taylor, Vice-Chair Aaron Hallenberg Cenora Akhidenor Roxanne Miles	Stephanie Bray Vy Yun	Kelvin (KC) Ceasar	

- II. **Approval of the Agenda**
Dylan asked for a motion to accept the agenda. ^{Dylan} Dylan Aaron; Roxanne seconded. Motion passed.
- III. **Approval of the Minutes**
Dylan asked for a motion to accept the minutes. Marcella made a motion to approve the minutes; Roxanne seconded. Motion passed.
- IV. **Staff Report**
- Meals will be provided for the June meeting – this will be Roxanne’s last meeting.
 - Rating forms with total scores are due to Stephanie no later than May 29.
 - We will be doing recruitment in the summer. If you know anyone interested in being part of the Committee, they can apply online or contact Stephanie.
 - Human Services has an Acting Director. Once the Director is on board, they will post Community Services Manager and Community Action Manager positions.
 - Dylan asks for an update on the Ordinance. Stephanie answers they may be moving it to final Council on June 18 (subject to change). Stephanie says she will notify the Board once she gets final dates. Roxanne suggests putting something in writing to Council. Dylan says we may need to weigh in at Open Public meetings.
- V. **Committee Deliberations – FY 2020 VP Applications**
- New Phoebe House** (Roxanne was not included in discussion due to conflict of interest)
- One of the better applications and does not think anything has changed since last year.
 - They are a good organization and improving.
 - Would like to know how many times the clients return to utilize services.
- Pierce County Parks & Recreations** (Roxanne was not included in discussion due to conflict of interest)
- It is a newer program so there is not much to evaluate on.
 - It is a mentorship program and the presentation was ok.
 - Sessions are not long (6 weeks).

- Worthy of further discussion.

A Step Ahead

- Member expressed they were leaning more towards no because they are serving 0-3-year-old and cannot prove that bonding has a huge enough impact to prevent violence later because we don't know what happens after that stage because there's no tracking.
- They are not helping the bond with natural parents or their long-term placement, only the fostering during that piece.
- Data is outdated.

Bold Solutions

- Program is almost parallel to Catholic Community Service's program.
- 90-day program and they can bill for insurance.
- They use therapeutic models within the home.

Buckley Youth Activities

- There is no way to know how many youth the van is transporting, and to which programs and when, and how are they coming from the unincorporated areas.
- There is no strategy, and this has not been corrected in their application.
- Use surveys of their participants - there are probably better ways to articulate their effectiveness.

Camp Fire USA/Orca Council

- \$4,500 per youth, most of their services are center based.
- They speak little about outreach, they expect the schools to refer to them now.
- There was not much change from their application from previous years.
- A question was asked if they should be funded more than the city they are in.
- They've been doing a lot of advertisement.

Community of Schools – Peninsula

- The need is there, but there may be overlap.
- The program is leveraging our dollars very well (asking for 20% of cost to help five schools).

Community of Schools – Puyallup

- Did not see any difference in their application from previous years.
- There's not much substance.
- Last year they could not answer the question "how can you show us these students are from unincorporated area" and "how will you have an impact on youth violence". Having raised those concerns last year, was hoping to have them addressed this year, but they weren't.
- They gave a lot of tier 1, but not tier 2 or 3.

Comprehensive Life Resources

- Program transferred from Community Youth Services.
- A question was asked what is actually being delivered.
- Member was left with the question "how does the program address youth violence?". It was not clear how they specifically do that.
- The presenter is like a walking resource book and can make connections.
- The budget is for his (the presenter's) salary.

Consejo Counseling and Referral Services

- They use best practice curriculum and there is a lot of indirect in their program budget.
- 90-day program, but you only get to see a little bit of information on attendance and grades.

- Would like to see what is different from last year.
- They can serve 10 more clients this year.
- They are also doing a 90-day program, and it comes \$650 per youth. Believed to be the lowest range for a 90-day support.

Franklin Pierce Youth First

- They want to expand the youth night program.
- It's for youth to get away once a month.
- Question was asked if they were going to expand to another school and it is believed they will expand to a middle school.

Northwest Youth Leadership Conference

- They made a stronger effort to connect the dots between their programs and violence prevention than previous years.
- The program is one week, one year.
- It is a \$500 scholarship for each youth to go.

Opportunity Center of Orting

- They did not give a good foundation of who is part of City of Orting or who is not. They did not understand the importance of this question. They thought their program served all of unincorporated Pierce County.
- Feels this is an activity center, similar to how Buckley started out.
- 40% of youth live outside the city limits, so only 40% can be eligible for funding.
- The presenter(s) put emphasis that this is all they have out there.

Our Sister's House – New Direction

- There were no changes noted from previous applications.
- The Board asks the same question every year and receive the same responses every year.
- They made a statement that they have VOCA money in the narrative, but the revenue does not show this.
- A question was asked why New Directions receives more funding than Stepping Stones. It was answered that Stepping Stones scored lower, and there was a reduction in budget.
- Concerned was expressed that the agency is applying twice to fund their overhead and wonders how much of this money is getting down to the program level.
- 8-week program, it comes up \$800 per family, but the budget says \$350 per family to do the program itself, the rest (\$450) is related to personnel position and time.

Our Sister's House – Stepping Stones

- They are asking for a big leap; they want to go from 3 to 5 sessions.
- All the outcome numbers are based on 3 sessions, and although they are adding 2 more sessions, their budget has tripled.
- \$1,200 per participant for 8 weeks. The real cost of what is brought it is only \$160.

Prairie Ridge

- Trying to find out what changed from previous year; did not see any consistent change or numbers to suggest what is changing.
- They're doing a good job of building communities ties and networking but wonders how that translates to the youth violence prevention outcomes.

PSED – Positive Steps

- PSED said if the money is not coming from here, then they are not doing it.
- They are less specific in location.

- We know the need exists, but where are they providing the services?
- They did not show attendance prior to this data so there is no comparison.

PSESD – Readiness to Learn

- Member thinks it's a good thing, but if they give it to a school district, we don't know if that school district is using it for unincorporated or if there is any overlap.
- They have data that shows the bulk of who they are serving is between kindergarten to 5th grade.

Safe Streets Campaign

- Notes this is the highest ask.
- The difference is they are going from 2 to 4 schools for an afterschool prevention leadership program.
- They are putting a youth mobilizations specialist at each of the four schools.

Tacoma Arts Live

- They have great grant writers, great evaluation.
- They've always done very well.
- The program is impactful to youth, but it is an expensive, short-term afterschool program.
- It's for a short period of time.

Tacoma Community Boat Builders

- They've had the longest juvenile court positive probation program and they've taken off with it.
- Their location is not changing, but they need to figure out how to be more accessible to unincorporated youth, which is not the bulk of who they're serving.
- They've expanded.
- Member says their highlight is their leadership and engagement.

TeamChild

- They made a stronger presentation compared to previous years.
- The funds will be to sustain a homeless advocate position.
- They receive money from other sources, and our funding is filling that gap for Tacoma.
- Comment was made that 45 youth for the amount they are asking is a little spendy.

Washington Trafficking Prevention

- Question was asked if they started the program in our location and was answered yes.
- They are only in phase 1 of the program, which is training. They are moving slowly, and we did not receive much guarantee on where they would be in 2020.

YMCA

- The challenge is they try to put all their youth mentoring initiatives together, but so many are happening in incorporated areas.
- You cannot find the numbers of how many are being served in unincorporated.
- Their outcome data is not clear on what is being produced.

Young Life – Anderson Island

- A comment was made that they like how they take the initiative to seek out the problem and work to address the problem.

Young Life – South Central Pierce

- He (presenter) is in the community enough to engage and get youth to get more involved in

some of the other activities that happen, but that becomes a smaller group.

- He (presenter) does not have a formal agreement with the rest of the school district to get a true referral and data process.

YWCA

- They only served 8 last year.
- They're serving people primary coming out of shelter, so they are just taking averages.
- Their ask has always been small.
- It's about 8 hours per child, but it is not something they can track long-term.

VI. Good of the Order

None.

VII. Adjournment

Dylan called for a motion to adjourn. Aaron moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm; Marcella seconded. Motion carried.



Chair



Date

