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UPDATES
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<p>Action Teams</p> <p><i>Guiding Good Choices Action Team – Donna</i></p> <p>-Sent email to First United Methodist hoping to confirm in-kind space support for Fall. Submitted Eastern Bank Community Grant application—received \$500! Updating database to ensure all waitlist still wish to be kept informed of upcoming dates.</p> <p>-Next steps→ Planning for 3-6 month evaluation process: pilot survey in September to track past participants’ progress using Survey Monkey with support from Northeast Center for Healthy Communities. Start planning for Fall 2010 workshops—August Team meeting.</p> <p>-Coalition discussion→ none needed.</p>
<p>Police Action Team—Mike</p> <p>- <i>Tip Line</i>: promotion. <i>Alcohol Compliance Checks</i>: Conducted on June 11th—100% compliance. Thanks to Officer Ross, Chief Lyle, Officer Plumer, and Lt. DeCroteau. Press release submitted. <i>Social Host Liability</i>: Coordinator received copies of 4 warning letters sent by Chief of Police to violators.</p> <p>-Next Steps→ <i>Tip Line</i>: Category/code column to be added to spreadsheet so the type of crime can be easily tracked. Tracking # of arrests attributed to tips/leads being discussed. <i>Social Host Liability</i>: PowerPoint presentation about the Social Host Law to be presented at Police Dept roll calls. Coding for Tip Line calls and Social Host violations in process.</p> <p>-Coalition discussion→ none needed.</p>
<p>School Action Team – Jan</p> <p>-K-12 health prevention curriculum</p> <p>-Next Steps→ discuss Hallmark Health grant proposal with School Department. These anti-bullying funds may be able to pay for Health Wave or Michigan Model pilot in one elementary school next year.</p> <p>-Coalition discussion→ none needed.</p>

Sports Organization Action Team—Trisha

-Contact made with Melrose National Little League and Babe Ruth baseball leagues; declined distributing literature/promotional giveaways for now. Both leagues had end of the season celebrations = cookouts for the players and families...no alcohol!

-Next Steps→ Initial contact with the girls soccer league and the lacrosse team.

-Coalition discussion→ none needed.

Youth Action Team – Charlie

-*Environmental Scan*: press release submitted. Mary Foley Park light logistics discussed with Park, Police, and Public Works Departments. *Media Literacy Campaign*: survey data analyzed and sent out to Coalition. YAT wrap up meeting (June 14th).

-Next steps→ Confirm Youth Advisors and Teen Leaders for FY'11. Create plan for next year.

-Coalition discussion→ none needed.

Task Teams

Survey Task Team – Kara, Marie, Trisha, Maureens, and Janet

-*Pride* Survey administration complete. Data summary compiled. Planning Committee and Task Team reviewed results.

-Next Steps→ With Planning Committee and Northeast Center, compile results to tie into initiatives. Prepare and schedule presentation of data to School Committee and others in Fall. Distribute data packets to PTO's to share with parents and principals to discuss with their faculty/staff in Summer.

-Coalition discussion→ none needed.

Membership Task Team – Kara, Janet, and Maureen Buzby

-Actively utilizing Potential Member Inbound and Outbound tabs in Coalition Contact List spreadsheet.

-Next Steps→ Discuss brochure piloting effort with Planning Committee.

-Coalition discussion→ none needed.

SBIRT (Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment) Task Team –Cornelia, Maureen Beecy, DJ, and Kara

-MWH hired two LICSW's to work in the MWH ED evenings (4 to midnight); could potentially trial SBIRT. Kara and Cornelia in touch with BU re: updated SBIRT materials and training.

-Next Steps→ MWH to hire RNCS. SBIRT re-training possible in October.

-Coalition discussion→ none needed.