
TUCSON PLANNING COUNCIL FOR THE HOMELESS

Homeless Youth Committee

September 4, 2009 Minutes

Co-Chairs: Irene Timms and Lisa Griffin

Next Meeting: October 2 2009, 9:00 – 10:00 pm Tucson Preparatory School, 104 E. Prince Road

Report to TPCCH General Meeting
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TOPICS DISCUSSED

1. **Minutes.** Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted by consensus with correction of a typographical error in the Wingspan address. .
2. **Old Business.**
 - **2009 TPCCH Annual Conference Presentation.** Laurie Mazerbo noted that parenting youth Crystal Goldberry has agreed to be the Our Family Services panelist. Lisa Griffin noted that youth Matt Jones will represent www.tucsonyag.org. Kathy Wooldridge continues working on a video. Irene Timms noted that La Paloma Family Services can lend two projectors to the conference.
 - **Next steps. a.)** Kevin, Kathy and Irene will meet to finalize the presentation.
b.) Members will email trends within their agencies to Kevin and Kathy by end-of-day Wednesday, September 9th.
 - **November 14th Event.** Kathy confirmed that the Tucson Heart Hospital will attend and provide a turkey dinner. Laurie reported that she has invited the Census 2010 to table. Laurie invited committee members to attend the next Census “Complete Count Committee” meeting Monday, October 5th, at the Pima Association of Governments, 177 N. Church Avenue, 8:30-10:30 a.m.
Kathy reported that the event will be listed in the Arizona Daily Star’s *Caliente* and that the Star may write an additional article. She is expecting a phone call from the reporter soon. One of her colleagues is urging the Tucson Weekly to do a story. Kevin noted that Eon can do a gender performance and/or table. The parking lot can accommodate at least 20 tables. Kathy is trying to arrange to borrow some lights and a portable generator to supplement the parking lot lights.
The event will continue to be called “Home Is Where the Art Is”.
 - **Next step. a.)** Kathy will do an event flyer as soon as additional performers and participants are confirmed, then email to Settle Madden for TPCCH list serve distribution.
 - **TPCCH Banner.** Estimates of the cost of banner production were circulated. Consensus was that, because quotes differed widely, the co-chairs will visit the vendors to affirm materials quality before deciding to accept a bid or request pricing for subsidiary banners.
 - **Next steps.** Co-chairs will visit vendors to determine materials quality.
 - **Homeless Youth Committee Description.** Deferred.

3. New Business.

- **New Co-chair.** Lisa Griffin noted that, due to increased job duties and a return to school, she must step down as co-chair. Laurie agreed to step up and was enthusiastically accepted by consensus. Lisa will continue to attend meetings, and will report on banner options in October.
- **College Prep.** Irene reported. La Paloma has received a second year grant for helping encourage and prepare at risk youth to attend post-secondary education. Their approximately one-hour presentations include a give-away bag with dictionary, thesaurus and other items; lunch: a bus pass or \$25 gas cards; and guest speakers including college and school representatives plus college students and athletes. Students who have attended can schedule one-on-one sessions at the La Paloma resource center. The grant runs through June 2011.
 - **Next steps.** Members will contact Irene to schedule their presentations.
- **Hope Fest.** Don distributed flyers for HopeFest and encouraged youth agencies to sign up to participate. He noted that he will locate youth agencies together. Kathy said Skrappy's will attend.
- **Wingspan/Eon Calendar.** Kevin distributed the Wingspan/Eon calendar, and noted that Wingspan is reinstating its anti-violence program, an eight-week course that meets for one hour on consecutive Fridays, beginning today. Youth that participate in at least seven sessions receive a \$25 gift card. A youth may complete seven sessions over two series if needed. The sessions are 4:00-5:00 p.m. please refer clients who you feel will benefit.
 - **Next step.** Participants will refer youth whom they feel may benefit from the anti-violence program.
- **Skrappy's Classes.** Kathy distributed the schedule for Skrappy's classes beginning the week of September 14th. Tutoring sessions for math and reading will begin to be scheduled in another couple of weeks.
 - **Next step.** Kathy will forward the tutoring session schedule when it is completed.

4. **Next Meeting.** Friday, October 2nd, 9:00-10:30 a.m., at Tucson Preparatory School, 104 E. Prince Road (at Stone Avenue). There is only a Safe Place sign.

Submitted by Settle Madden

Attendance

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