

Hour House -Douglas County ROSC Council Meeting Minutes

Dec, 8th 2021

Members Present: Kari Knapp, Jason Pantier, Karen Cook, Lauren Christina, Liesl Wingert, Marcie Phillis, Colleen Lehmann, Summer Phillips, Sally Foote, Sara Ruholl, Cassie Rennel, Dave King, Brain Moody, Matt Hales, Melissa Ratcliff, Linda Scribner

Membership Sharing:

Kari: Shared that she has reached out to community stakeholders and discussed the efforts of the ROSC Council and how we are here to meet the County's strategic goals to address gaps.

Karen: Provided an update on the anti-stigma video ad campaign. Discussed the partnership with IFRC and the education series promoted by ROSC. Provided an update that intake services are now being offered at the county jail.

Lauren: Provided an update on RISE. Lauren and Kari Knapp from Chestnut have teamed together to support Lauren on how to mesh mental health and substance use treatment together. Lauren and Chestnut have collaborated once a month to provide additional guidance to help Lauren and RISE submit a grant application to become approved for Substance Use Treatment. Lauren requested additional support from Hour House intake services. Karen will set up an outside meeting with Lauren and Melissa Parker, the intake coordinator at the Hour House.

Jason: Provided an update with the Probation Office. Jason was very supportive of Dr. Foote's initiative about the County purchasing the Jarmin Center to provide a sober living facility. Jason stated that other attempts have been made in the past however, beds that wouldn't be filled by Douglas county would be filled by others. Throughout the year there are waiting lists, waits up to 6-8 weeks to get into sober living, people have died waiting.

Stacy: Founded Shalynn's Hope- Their mission is to prevent, educate, and promote awareness of substance abuse in our communities and provide support to those affected by addiction. Stacy and Karen created a survey to receive community feedback on how Shalynn's Hope can better support the community. Several kids have signed up for CGTI. Operation Hope also allocated backpacks that include age-appropriate items for kids. Backpacks will be held at the police station.

Marci Phillips: Telehealth psychiatry- Rosecrance; Stated they have been working with Urbana police. Social worker going out with reaction team for mental health calls. Rosecrance is also offering an Assertive community treatment program

i.Help for chronically mentally ill

ii.Possibly unhoused

iii.Referrals come from police or hospitals

They have two new therapists starting soon in February.

i.Will be leading training on teens and trauma

ii.Teens & anxiety

iii. Teens & recovery

iv. Will send links to the webinar to Karen.

Sally Foote: Introduced the Jarmin Center in Tuscola. The Jarmin center is an old hospital that has been renovated into apartments. Dr. Foote addressed selling the property to the County and implementing a sober living facility. Dr. Foote suggested looking at other counties. Bloomington has been successful with supported referendum by selling it as jail extension. The Hour house will provide resources but cannot currently commit to such a large project without research

Amanda Minor: Had concerns about the Jarmin Center and stated that Reimbursement rates for mental health are low. The funding is needed, such as a grant; however, how will the facility run after grant funds leave. The County would need a 708 board, behavioral health board & levy-Same kind of levy as emergency services; an increase in taxes would go up to 0.15 on the dollar.

Linda Scribner: Stated her excitement about having this conversation locally. Beth's place was a vision with a mission. Linda believes the facility can be successful for a while.

The next Douglas County meeting will be held on Jan 26th, 2021 at 10:00 AM