

## November 16, 2023 ROSC Council Minutes:

Meeting was called to order by ROSC Coordinator Tia Schum at 3pm on November 16, 2023 at The Piatt County Mental Health Center.

Attendance was taken: Tia Schum (ROSC Coordinator); Paul Spangler (First Presbyterian Church); Dan Koenigs (PCMHC); Jaime Porter (PCMHC); Tony Kirkman (PCMHC); Ted Lowers (DeWitt/Piatt Bi-counties Health Department); Charles LeGrand (Pavilion Outreach); MaryJo Dean (Willow Tree Missions); Steve Keagle (Lodge Church of God); Shelley Crary (Oxford House Re-Entry). In addition the following participants joined via ZOOM: Julie Pohlman (Region 4 TA); Mike Schroeder (DPBCHD); Dr. Hillary Stanifer (Blue Ridge Superintendent); Wendy Lambert (Vermillion Co ROSC); Jordan Ziegenbien (Monticello Christian Church).

**Introductions** – General Introductions were given.

**Communication Plan** – Tia discussed the Bement support group and the upcoming Thanksgiving supper the group is having next week. Tia also the Suboxone Clinic at Kirby stating that things are going well. Tia discussed the support group at the Piatt County Jail is going well. Tia discussed the upcoming events including the Turkey Dodgeball Tournament. Tia explained that the signup genius for both teams and volunteers are up and the need is great! Tia also discussed the Christmas Parades as well as the Spaghetti Dinner. Tia reminded the council to always be on the lookout for folks who are wanting to become active!  
Tia stated there were no current Naloxone trainings done recently. Tia asked the council if there were ideas of where to hold trainings?

**This Month's Activities** – Tia discussed the upcoming Dodgeball tournament as well as the Christmas parades and Christmas Family fun night. Tia is looking for donations for the spaghetti supper that will be held on this night.

**Guest Speaker** – Shelley Crary, Oxford House Re-Entry program. Shelley explained that Oxford house just opened there newest home in Champaign, IL. Shelley explained the interview process to get into a home and that when accepted into the home, the person is on a “new comer contract” for 30 days. This includes going to meetings 5 times a week, being up to date on rent, and following house rules. Shelley then moved on to speak about the re-entry program. This is a new program that Shelley, along with the Oxford House, are working on getting going. Shelley has been speaking to jails and prisons all over Illinois. Shelley explained that a paper application is provided to those who are in need of transitional housing. Feedback for decision is very quick.

**Sector Speakers** – Tony Kirkman the deflection program that covers Vermillion, Douglas, Coles, Piatt, DeWitt, and McLean counties. Tony explained that there is still movement being made but that there is still conversations to be had with key people at the table. Tony also discussed Problem Solving Court and discussions about getting one in Piatt County.

Paul Spangler – Discussed opening up the church for community events in hopes to get more people involved.

Steve Keagle – Discussed anxiety around the holidays and how do you help? Steve explained that in conversations that is has had, he has discussed the love and hope that Jesus has for people and provides those speaking with him an ear and a shoulder to lean on.

**ROSC Deliverables** – The ROSC deliverables are constantly looked at to ensure the Piatt County ROSC Committee is staying the course.

**Who's Missing?** – Tia continued to remind group that IDHS has an expectation that 50% of the total council should be composed of PLEs.

**Planning for future engagement opportunities:**

Turkey Dodgeball – 11/18

Monticello Christmas Parade – 12/2

Bement Christmas Parade – 12/9

Very Merry Christmas Family Game Night – 12/9

\*Hopefully if COVID #s decrease, Council can resume past discussion regarding a possible County-wide collaborative effort to provide a NARCAN training for multiple communities with multiple agencies utilizing their communication channels.

**Future Meetings** – It was agreed that future ROSC Meetings will be held 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month @ 3pm with the next Piatt County ROSC meeting being held here at The Center on Thursday December 21 @ 3pm. It was also discussed that it would be helpful to maintain a zoom option for guests.

**Satisfaction Survey** – A brief verbal satisfaction survey was conducted. Participants felt encouraged by number of those in attendance and the progress made at meeting. It was agreed that more PLEs would help move discussion along and the important thing is to have meetings that move forward the deliverables of the grant.

Meeting was adjourned at 4 pm

Recorded by ROSC Coordinator, Tia Schum