

Glendale Strong Family Network Meeting Notes

Thursday, January 11, 2018, 1:00 – 2:30 PM



Attendees: Aimee Sitzler, Peggy Peixoto, Ana Sosa, Greg Kinder, Grace Kirker, Gina Schmitz, Julie Pham, Pamela Morrison, KR Clark, Susan Hallett and Alejandra Kisebach,

Decision Points

- Pam at Phoenix Rescue and Ana at the Landmark FRC to begin piloting the GSFN tally sheet to capture Glendale families' needs and resource gaps and report back to the network at the February meeting.
- Rebecca and her team were not able to use the tally sheet as frequently as normal due to low traffic over the holidays. They will continue to pilot the tally sheet at Glendale CAP office and provide feedback at next meeting.
- New workgroup leads: Liz Rivera and Nora Lozano: Family Engagement, and Grace Kirker: Partner Engagement

Updates

DCS data discussion

- While reports and removals are decreasing in Glendale and statewide, 85301 remains a community of need.
- DCS data showed the number of reports and removals decreased from 2016 to 2017 in 85301.
 - 2016 (reporting period 9/1/15 to 8/31/16): 1,025 reports and 366 removals
 - 2017 (reporting period 9/1/16 to 8/31/17): 907 reports and 281 removals
- Neglect remains the primary reason for removals (82% in 2017). Parental substance abuse continues to be a large concern tied to neglect.
- Young children (0 to 2) comprised 35% of the children removed in 85301 in 2017.



Other updates

- The DCS prevention webpage will be linked to the GFSN website and Facebook.
- The Preventative Health Collaborative is partnering with the Arizona Public Health Association to have GFSN partners present a break out session at their upcoming conference on April 11, 2018.
- Social Serve was shared as a housing resource that is both provider and family friendly. www.socialserve.com

GFSN Workgroup Next Steps

- Family Engagement workgroup: increase outreach at Landmark and GESD (e.g. First Fridays with Landmark Principal and Early Childhood nights at district)
- Partner Engagement workgroup: outreach to medical providers (e.g. Alejandra for NOAH and Pam for MIHS) and revised partner application to be filled out by all existing GFSN partners at February meeting.
- Communications workgroup: update the GFSN brochure from old Safe Reductions template.

Action Steps/Follow Ups

- Peggy, Aimee and Alejandra need to meet to refine conference presentation for April.
- Peggy to send out the tally sheet for partners to begin using.
- Grace to update GFSN partner application based on group feedback and Chuck to post it on the website.
- All partners to email their organization's logos to Chuck to post on webpage.
- Pam reach out to Fran at MIHS and invite her to GFSN.
- Alejandra to reach out to NOAH/Honor Health and invite to GFSN.
- Peggy to confirm which day (3/2 or 3/9) would work for protective factors overview (1 hour) training for GFSN families.
- Susan, Chuck and Peggy to revise GFSN/Safe Reductions brochure and Alejandra and Nora to help with Spanish translation.
- Nora to attend Catholic Charities Head Start parent meeting at Landmark on 1/23 at 1 pm.

Next GFSN Meeting: Thursday, February 8, 2018, 1 –2:30 PM at Landmark FRC

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