

South Shore Community Partners in Prevention (CHNA 23) Wednesday, February 14, 2018 8:45 A.M. to 10:15 A.M. Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital- Plymouth Funkhouser Conference Room A 275 Sandwich Street, Plymouth

Minutes

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Meeting called to order by Mike Jackman, SSCPP Chair at 9:00a.m. Everyone was welcomed and gave self-introductions.

All in attendance approved January meeting minutes.

Mike reviewed SSCPP's funding opportunities: Mini grants up to \$3,500, Health Compass grants up to \$7,500 and Health Literacy grants up to \$10,000. We are also finalizing RFP for our SSCPP Behavioral Health grant for up to \$25,000 per year for up to three years. Grant information is available on our website: chna23.org/funding.

Mini Grant Outcome Report: Healthy Plymouth- Terra Cura "Tomato Sauce Initiative"

- Jackie Millar reported. Terra Cura provided 400 tomato plants to school gardens at Hedge Elementary School, Cold Spring, PCIS, PNHS, Indian Brook Elementary School, Federal Furnace Elementary School, Nathaniel Morton Elementary School, Manomet Elementary School, Camp Clark and Algonquin Heights Community Gardens.
- 513 students directly participated in the school garden programming. Helped kids with their health literacy- identifying healthy foods.
- Had 35 volunteer groups signed up to take one or more weeks maintaining gardens.
- PACTV put together a three part series on the program. Footage can be seen here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6xc-NzDv3xI

Panel: Housing and its Impact on Healthcare

Part 2 – Exploring Resources & Solutions

Panelists: April Connolly, Father Bill's & MainSpring; Mary Severy, Plymouth Housing Authority Family Self Sufficiency Program; Liz Wyner and Susan Willis, OCES

Liz and Susan

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- OCES serves elders 60+ and those with disabilities under 60. Operate under "no wrong door"
 philosophy and help with warm transfers for information and referral (such as housing calls) to
 their partners.
- Liz is the Housing Programs Manager at OCES. Help with referrals to Congregate Housing and Supportive Housing.
- Congregate Housing applicants must be low-income, 60+ or disabled. Have sites in Marshfield,
 Bridgewater and Stoughton and there are currently openings at all 3 sites. Individual must fit in
 and contribute positively to the group (offer private bedroom but shared living space).
 Compatibility is key. First step is to apply through housing authority.
- OCES Congregate Housing Coordinator is Jillian Brown: 508-584-1561x447, jbrown@ocesma.org
- Supportive Housing services are currently available in Brockton, Hanson, Middleboro, Pembroke and Plymouth.

April

- Father Bill's & MainSpring provides an array of services in Norfolk and Plymouth Counties. Have shelters in Brockton and Quincy as well as a winter shelter in Plymouth.
- In emergency shelter, about 70% of individuals use service for a short amount of time and leave with issues resolved. 20-30% of cases are more complex (substance use, mental illness, etc.) and will use shelter longer. This smaller percentage often has complex healthcare issues and use healthcare resources 70x more than the average person.
- It costs approximately \$17,000 a year to house a person in emergency shelter. FMBS uses "Housing First" model which gives this 20-30% population housing first and then provides support services. FBMS has been using this model for over 20 years and have over 500 housing units partnering with agencies such as Housing Solutions.
- Medicaid has caught on- expensive health care costs start to go down. Through the Community Support Program for People Experiencing Chronic Homelessness (CSPECH), Medicaid reimburses places like FBMS to provide services to this specific population (long term homeless and significant BH issues). On average, reduce healthcare costs by \$12,000/year per person. Should NOT have emergency rooms and emergency shelter as a solution.
- Annual 2018 Point in Time Homeless County found Brockton street count this year was down by 30 individuals compared to last year.

Mary

• Shared information on Plymouth Housing Authority's Family Self-Sufficiency Program.

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- The Family Self-Sufficiency Program was created by the Department of Housing and Urban
 Development to help families on assisted housing become economically independent. To be
 eligible for the program, the individual or family must already have Section 8 housing.
- Offer an educational component individual chooses his or her career path. Each person signs a "contract of participation" unique to his or her needs and plans.
- The program typically runs 5 years and can help prepare a family for the Section 8 Homeownership Program.
- For more information, please call 508-746-2105 extension 2013.
- Shared information on Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Centralized Waiting Listwww.section8listmass.org. Once online, you can apply, change your status and update your preferences.

The floor was opened for questions and discussion with panelists.

The floor was opened for agency announcements.

SSCPP is holding its Health Literacy Award Breakfast on Friday, April 6th at 8:30AM at the Plymouth Library. More information to come.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 14th.

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