

Coordinated Action Network

January 23, 2017

1. Welcome and Introductions

Representatives from 16 agencies were present. Please see the email list for specific contact information.

Attendees expressed the desire to:

- *Enable those who experience violence to stay part of the prosecution process
- *Connect with resources for clients
- *Engage in collaborative relationships with other agencies

2. Carl Rochelle from the Reuben Engagement Center

Carl Rochelle spoke about the programs of the Reuben Engagement Center. The Reuben Engagement Center is part of the Office for Public Health & Safety. The Reuben Engagement Center works with those who have active substance abuse/alcohol abuse issues. It is designed to be a stop-over shelter while clients are assessed and referred to appropriate, long-term care programs.

The program is designed to be a bridge to keep people out of jail and/or the emergency room, with 30 beds currently available. Clients are referred by agencies and/or law enforcement officials. For most, the average stay is 72 hours. It is not a detention facility, but works in partnership with law enforcement and the criminal justice system.

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3. Pat Anderson from Families First

Pat Anderson spoke about the programs at Families First. Families First offers the following programs:

- A. Home based Services-referrals through DCS
- B. Substance Abuse, both individual and group programs
- C. Domestic Violence Advocates

- D. Fatherhood Engagement
- E. Parent Support Programs
- F. B.I.P. Services
- G. Women who Use Force Programs
- H. Breaking Free
- I. Multiple Support Groups

Families First also has a variety of other services in areas around mental health, substance abuse, and domestic violence. For more information, please contact Pat Anderson.

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4. Christine Kung'u from The Julian Center

Christine Kung'u spoke about the outreach programs at The Julian Center. In addition to the shelter and housing services of The Julian Center, they also offer an array of outreach services:

- A. Outreach Advocacy for domestic violence
- B. Outreach Advocacy for sexual assault
- C. Limited Legal Services
- D. Counseling services
- E. Food Pantry

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5. Focus and goals of the Coordinated Action Network

Many in the group expressed a need for both child care and transportation for the clients they serve. It was noted that DVN does have emergency transportation and self-sufficiency funds available. Chris Handberg from DVN will reach out to the Indy cab companies and Indy Go to look for strategic partnership opportunities.

Next Meeting:

March 20, 2017 at The Salvation Army, 3100 N. Meridian St. Indianapolis, IN 46208

9:00a.m.-10:30a.m.