

Dallas County Coalition

Minutes

Lutheran Church of Hope Waukee
305 N.E. Dartmoor
Waukee, Iowa 50263

10:30am -12:00pm (dismissed at 11:30am)
Wednesday April 25, 2018

Attendance and Introductions

Joy Greer (DCCAC/The Family Connection), Debb Franz (Restorative Justice/JCS), Carol Bayer (New Opp), Mary Greving (New Opp), Paige Lammers (YSS), Kelly Phelps (CCR&R), Ashley Alvord (Family Connects), Stephanie Birt (DC Public Health), Jennifer Walters (DC Public Health), Mandi Vellinga (EFR), Jovanka Westbrook (PFD), Hannah Vander-Kopsa (CIAC), Gina DeGrade (CIAC), Myra Willms (ISU Ext & Outreach), Michelle Greenough (CCR&R), Hannah Rivas (VNS of Iowa), Amber Schelling (VNS of Iowa) and Sommer McKeen (VNS of Iowa)

A special presentation was provided by

- Family Connects (Ashley Alvord, from North Carolina) implementing this model/program with Dallas County Public Health Nursing Services
 - Home visitations with a registered nurse (RN)
 - For all newborns born in Dallas County; to serve baby and mother
 - To reduce family/home barriers which proven to lower child neglect/abuse
 - The interaction with this program better connects family to community resources

Agency Sharing

- Partners in Family Development (Jovanka) –
 - “Prenatal Education Class for Expectant Parents” continues through May 2018 from 4:00pm-6:00pm at the Dallas County Hospital (Community Room) in Perry
- Crisis Intervention & Advocacy Center (Hannah & Gina) –
 - Annual “Walk a Mile in Her Shoes” event will be held on May 19, 2018 at 10:00am (Registration/check-in at 9:00am with a small presentation at 9:30am) in Adel. For more info contact Hannah at hannah@ciac91.org or call (515) 993-4095 (flyer)
 - Annual Garage Sale will be held on June 07, June 08 and June 09, 2018 at the Dallas County Fairgrounds in Adel. For more info contact Taylor at taylor@ciac91.org or call (515) 993-4095 (flyer)
- 4RKids –
 - “Shoe Drive” through June 2018 at Waukee Christian Church outside of Waukee (flyer)
- New Opportunities (Mary) –
 - Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) program ends for this winter season on April 30, 2018

Early Childhood Updates/Information

- Reminder: Dallas County Toddlerfest will be held on Saturday, May 5, 2018 from 10:00am-12:00pm at the Dallas County Fairgrounds. For more information contact Paula James, Adel Public Library at paula@adelp1.org or 515-993-3512
- CCR&R (Michelle) – Presby Childcare Center opened in April 2018 at the Presbyterian Church in Perry

Dallas County Children's Advocacy Council Updates/Information

- Joy stated the proposals from the Sub-Contractors are still being reviewed by Prevent Child Abuse Iowa, results in May 2018

Generation Wellness Update/Information

- ACEs training postponed
- Overview and Impact of HF2456 (presented by Heart of Iowa) – tabled
- Annual Trauma Informed Care Conference (Orchard Place) – June 05 & June 06, 2018
For more info/registration: <https://www.orchardplace.org/news-article.aspx?id=311&name=Trauma%20Informed%20Care%20Project%20Announces%207th%20Annual%20Conference>

Next meeting: Wednesday, May 23, 2018

Respectfully submitted by Debb Franz (in absence of Debra Schrader)

