

Dallas County Coalition

Minutes

Waukee Church of Hope
305 N.E. Dartmoor
Waukee, Iowa 50263
10:30am – 11:45 am
Wednesday August 24, 2022

Meeting Handouts

A [Dallas County Meeting Folder](#) is available for meeting handouts and other agency information. Go [here](#) to access the information and it is open to the public. Meeting agendas and minutes are located at www.4rkids-eci.org.

Attendance and Introductions

Michelle Greenough (CCR&R), Hannah Vander Kopsa (CIAC), Rachel Bardwell (Short Years), Claire Mraz (Every Step), Beverly Stokes (The Family Place), Jeanette Luthringer (Every Step), Paige Klinkenborg (Waukee Schools), Alyssa DePhillips, (American Lung), Stephanie Gusto (Safe Babies), Dawn Walton (Zion), Amanda McCall (Zion), Lisa Carstens (Zion) Jamie Tigges (New Opps), Deana VanBrocklin (Juvenile Court), Jenny Felt (DCAT/CPPC) and Debra Schrader (4 R Kids).

Presentation

Hannah Vander Kopsa with Crisis Intervention & Advocacy provided a presentation about gun laws and what will be on the November ballot.

A "yes" vote supports adding a right to own and bear firearms to the Iowa Constitution and require strict scrutiny for any alleged violations of the right brought before a court.

A "no" vote opposes adding a right to own and bear firearms to the Iowa Constitution and require strict scrutiny for any alleged violations of the right brought before a court.

Agency and Other Information

- Walton, ZION Integrated Behavioral Health Services, SUD Prevention Specialist- IPN grant, working together with the Prevention team is purposing the following services for Dallas County; Prime for Life (ages 12-20) and LifeSkills (ages 12-20).The Iowa Department of Health and Human Services has put out the 2022 statistics for excessive drinking and alcohol-impaired driving deaths. Dallas County has a 22% rate of adults excessively drinking, 24 driving deaths- nine of which were alcohol-impaired, and 38% of driving deaths involved alcohol. We briefly spoke about the following article- Marijuana and hallucinogen use among young adults has reached a new high. Use of marijuana and hallucinogens by 19- to 30-year-olds reached their highest levels since tracking began in 1988. <https://news.yahoo.com/marijuana-hallucinogen-reach-time-high-152236692.html>
- Zion provides Problem Gambling Treatment Services to Dallas County. These services are primarily via TeleHealth, but options to meet in person at our Adel or Perry office sites. Gamblification is the convergence of gaming and gambling. Typical games that have a 'spin' of gambling ie the Casey's App game Scratch, Match and Win. Zion available for presentations or discussions about Gambling Treatment Services and Education about all things Gambling.
- Lisa Carstens, ZION Integrated Behavioral Health Services, SUD & Problem Gambling Prevention Specialist- IPN grant, reached out to the group for assistance with an initiative to identify all the lottery vendors in Dallas County. As part of the proposed action plan for the next two years, this will be instrumental in the deployment of the Responsible Gambling Toolkit.
- Every Step received the Title 10 family planning grant from IDPH, serving Polk, Dallas, Warren and Madison County.
- The Family Place in Wayne County has received a grant to provide adolescent pregnancy prevention services in Dallas County with a concentration in the Dallas Center Grimes Schools.
- DCAT has emergency funds available, contact Jenny Felt for more information.
- Cruise into Bouton car show is 10-1-22 from 2:00-6:00.
- Roseanna's Run will be 10-1-22 at 9:30 at the Winterset High School.
- National grief awareness day is August 30th.
- American Lung Association is hiring for a position to serve Dallas County, Adair, and Union County too; full time is 35 hours/week and it would be a hybrid work schedule <https://www.lung.org/about-us/careers/find-a-career/ia-2122-115> . Shout out to the organizations in Dallas County that we partnered with last year <https://bit.ly/3JIG0bC>. Anyone can request free giveaways for your organizations with QR code on newsletter. There is a lot of great stuff for youth serving of childcare age and middle/high school age.

Early Childhood Updates/Information

- The 4RKids Board will have a Dallas county position open January 1, 2023.
- The 4 R Kids FY22 Executive summary was shared.
- Iowa Kids Count profile was shared with the group. Iowa ranks 5 on economic well-being; 11th in education; 17th in health and 11th in family and community.
- The Health and Human Services alignment has ECI in the Family Services section of the new agency.
- The Family Support Referral Map was reviewed and updates are needed.
- FY22 county health rankings were shared, Dallas County ranks #1 in many areas on a scale of 1- 99.
- The Iowa Legislature passed HF2578, MOMs bill, \$500,000 which is modeled after a program in Texas. The purpose is to promote pregnancy and childbirth.

Dallas County Children's Advocacy Council Updates/Information

- The FY22 executive summary was shared with the attendees; 11 workshops were provided serving 68 people.
- Hannah provided an update on sexual abuse trainings. There are Big Als gift cards available for incentives for workshops.
- ICAP update webinar is 8-31-22; CPPC regional trading is 9-30-22; Life skills progression training is 10-6-22.
- The council has submitted a performance improvement plan for FY23 due to not meeting FY22 benchmarks.

Next meeting: September 28, 2022 and will be in person.

Respectfully submitted by Deb Schrader