

# December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 Meeting minutes

**In Attendance:** Melissa Corcoran, Dianna Sullivan, Debby Graham, Richard Johnson, Charles Ames, Brynn Grimley, Jesse Black, Alyce Brame-Galyear, Nicole Zinn, James Leet

#### Ice Breaker-

# What's 1 thing you're hoping to get out of the meeting?

- Offer help toward upcoming month's activities
- Info. for plans for the Christmas giveaway,
- Ideas for other ways our church group can partner/serve/build relationships,
- Meeting new people who want to engage & help
- Tasks to continue to work
- Learn about organization/coalition, connect with people here to learn what's happening in this community.
- To be informed

# What's 1 way that you're a stakeholder in preventing kids from using drugs/alcohol?

- I live in this community & am affected by it's success/failure
- Provide info on resources & services & the good that's happening
- Offering someone to talk to & connect with. Help families be successful & drug free.
- If our efforts are successful the community will be safer & the Centerforce building & clients will be safe.
- I have kids in the CPSD schools!
- I conduct workshops & offer education services on tobacco/e-cig (vaping) for children & young adults. This will help me achieve community impact & engagement.

### **CHOICE Updates**

### **Monthly successes**

Coalition helped at Tyee Park conferences distributing coffee/hot chocolate, & getting community surveys filled out 2 days, Coalition sent 3 people to the National Prevention Network Conference, Springbrook Movie day was well attended, the Community Thanksgiving meal was a success, resource poster is done, & community survey contest has been passed out to 8 different apartment managers.

### **Springbrook Connections Update**

- Thanksgiving dinner was a huge success, planned & put on by the community!
  142 in all!
- The park's dept. has worked closely with Springbrook Connections to remodel the park based on what people want.
- Christmas Giveaway will be Saturday December 12<sup>th</sup> from 11am-1pm. Set up will start at 10am. Donations of gifts for kids, teens, & parents is welcome. Drop off at Centerforce by 10am the day of. Raffle tickets will be given for higher

valued items. Kids who come will need an activity/craft/or game to participate in to keep them occupied while parents choose gifts.

# **Summer Program**

• Partners are beginning to plan the Springbrook summer program through the Boys & Girls Club. Last year we had 92 kids registered & this year we'd like even more. We see how important it is to have each kid registered have a caring adult to be paired with.

# **Centerforce updates**

 Centerforce is applying for a grant to provide a ladies night to create a safe & empowering time for ladies in the community, as well as, ladies who experience disabilities. They've also opened their space for Girl Scouts & other community events, which are going very well!

### Springbrook monthly movie

 We continue to see positive impact for kids in the neighborhood by hosting the monthly movies. It's a way to decrease substance abuse, by giving them a positive place to be on early release days & by providing previews that contain prevention messages.

## **Community Survey progress**

We have roughly 40 returned and need 250 by the end of December.

#### **CHOICE Website & Video**

• First portion of the video was completed & the 2<sup>nd</sup> part will be finished next week. Video will be used for key leader orientation, increase awareness of Springbrook, & to increase awareness of our efforts.

#### **CHOICE ACTION ITEMS**

- Community Dinner/Family Night
  - Molina is donating \$150 for the CHOICE coalition to put on the dinner for the community. After discussing various options we voted on doing a taco, baked potatoe bar with a variety of toppings for people to customize their meal.
  - We voted on a craft from Oriental Trading Co. to order & have for families. The activity at the Family Night will be a picture frame craft & photo booth for families to get family pictures together.
- CHOICE calendar
  - After discussion it was clear that the majority of people in Springbrook would use a calendar & that it would be a good idea to put one together. Ideas for what to include are:
    - Healthy recipes
    - Prevention messages
    - Games, word searches, & puzzles
    - Not too many words or verbiage
    - D.O.H. can provide infographics & material regarding e-cigs.
    - Motivating & positive message or quotes are important to include
    - Focus kept on drug prevention

- Small group discussions
  - o Ethics scenarios

### **Action Items:**

- -Sign up to bring 1 food item to Community Dinner on Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers needed!
- -Dates will be sent out to help create the 2016 calendars. It will be fun so come & help!

#### **REMINDERS:**

- December 9th 1:00pm-3:00pm Springbrook Monthly Movie Day -Centerforce
- December 12th Springbrook Holiday Giveaway- Centerforce
- December 16<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm-7:00pm at Centerforce
- January 6th 1:00 2:30 CHOICE coalition meeting Centerforce