



Whatcom Prevention Coalition

Whatcom Prevention Coalition Meeting Notes April 6, 2017

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I. Introductions

Thanks to Riley for getting donations from Food Co-op and Great Harvest.

II. Coalition Updates

a. Healthy Communities

- i. Janae shared both posters and information about the upcoming Kapow! Shuksan Meadows Event on Saturday, April 22nd (Earth Day), which is a partnership with Sustainable Connections. There will be good food, all are welcome.
- ii. There is an upcoming grant opportunity through the Greater Good Organization, and on Friday, April 14th, there will be/was a pre-grant workshop brainstorming session from 7-9:30am in Shuksan Middle School in Room 106. Those attending are people who live and work in the Birchwood neighborhood.

b. Whatcom Dispute Resolution Center

- i. Daniel shared about National Poetry Month including a Showcase of Children's Art Walk on Friday May 4th, and the Annual Bocce Ball Competition on May 5th. Also, there is the Peace Poetry Contest.
- ii. Daniel shared about how awesome it is to see how the schools are supporting social and emotional practices and restorative practices and circles to create community in the classroom and resolve conflict through inclusive means. Janae recently attended Community Links (a WDRC and

Juvenile Justice collaboration in which low-risk youth that are on supervision or going through diversion work with parents or guardians. It is a really neat and great partnership, with about 20 volunteers.

iii. WDRC got a grant from neighborly grant to offer 4 trainings for exploring equity and cultural humility (one of which will be held on May 20th).

c. Youth Prevention Clubs/Healthy Youth Clubs

i. Schools and clubs are currently on spring break.

ii. Solomon Masala will be a Camp Casey on April 20th to talk with youth from all different counties (6 youth from Squalicum and 6 youth from Horizon/Vista are attending. On April 21st, Masala will be hosting an adult training on being vulnerable and working with youth.

iii. Kathy and the Health Alliance Youth from Squalicum got a grant for doing programming on texting and driving.

iv. April 29th is National Take Back Day to clear out prescriptions.

III. Healthy Youth Survey

a. Joe from Whatcom County Health Dept shared some of the results from the 2016 Healthy Youth Survey. More information and discussion to come in May meeting.

IV. NEXT MEETING

a. May 4, 2017 from 3-5pm at St. Luke's Health Education Center