

Connect to Protect Los Angeles
Homeless Youth Subcommittee Meeting
June 12, 2012
Children's Hospital Los Angeles

Attending Members: Jeffrey Lim (CHLA), Sara Train (LAGLC), Andrew Hughes (CHC), Milton Smith (CHLA)

Review SCO#80 Action Steps/Minutes from Last Meeting

By October 2012, a minimum of agencies working with homeless youth in serve planning areas (SPA) 4, 6, and 7 will adopt a capacity building plan to increase foundational knowledge on HIV/STI prevention and risk behavior

The subcommittee is continuing to plan for the one day training. The following updates were made for this SCO.

- This workshop will be a 3 hour training showcasing our 3 modules: HIV Knowledge, STI Knowledge, Cultural Competency, and Support. The subcommittee will decide on the topics in our next meeting. Each module will last for about an hour each.
- Jeff will email everyone an updated version of the flyer.
- Sara contacted the TCE, found available space for August 31, 2012
- Sara will set up a doodle to schedule a conference call
- Each committee member will be responsible for bringing at least one agency to the training.
- We plan to showcase the suicide prevention tool at the training.

Because there of the lack of attendance, the committee plans to set up a conference call to discuss the following:

- Set the date
- Look at the invite lists and discuss handling RSVPs
- Logistics for the day

Closed SCOs

The subcommittee closed the following SCOs. Milton will send out a followup tool to ensure that these SCOs are still be implemented:

By June 30, 2012 the Hollywood Homeless Youth Partnership will adopt a suicide assessment and prevention tool to train all direct line staff in building capacity to assess suicidal ideation.

SCO#97 By October 12, 2012, the Los Angeles Gay and Lesbian Center-Jeff Griffith Youth Center will adopt agency specific protocols to include a health assessment and direct referrals to HIV/STI testing at first point of contact

James will share the health assessment they have made for LAGLC to the subcommittee. The health assessment may include the following:

- Current pain or discomfort
- Substance use and abuse
- Scars/cuts
- Current Medications being used
- Mental health
- Last medical checkup
- Current Sexual partners
- Relationships

Review C2PLA Vision Statement

Milton reviewed the current makeshift vision statement and asked the subcommittee to review and comment. The only comment made was the following:

- Add youth of color which will then improve the quality of life for all youth.

Trends and Incidences

The subcommittee decided to discuss outside trends and incidences that pertain to homeless youth in LA in an effort to collaborate on developing new SCOs. The following are points made by this discussion:

- Sara reported that she had found out that Skid row has the highest number of homeless persons living Hepatitis C in LA county. They are mostly adults and do not want treatment.
- Sara plans to followup with LAHSA and find out a contact person for them to invite to the meetings.
- Common ground relocated to the Venice side due to pressures from the community.
- The Saban Free Clinic no longer provides rapid HIV testing.
- The shift of youth squatting to the San Fernando Valley has raised some questions about how to best implement outreach services. The subcommittee is willing to look at potential action steps to support outreach services. There is a GLBTQ open mic forum at the LA Gay and Lesbian Center. The subcommittee suggested we bring this topic up at the larger coalition meeting to set up an agenda for this meeting. The meeting will be on June 25th from 6-8:30pm at the village.

Action Items

- Sara will look at other potential dates available in September for the California Endowment.
- Sara will set up the doodle to figure out a time for our conference call
- The subcommittee will discuss the GLBTQ forum at the coalition meeting on 25th.
- Sara will email out the flyer for the GLBTQ forum
- Jeff will email an updated version of the training flyer.
- The subcommittee will have a conference call to discuss the training session.

Our next meeting will be on July 11th from 10:00am-12:00pm at CHLA