

Medina County Opiate Task Force

Subcommittee:

Prevention, Education, Advocacy, and Family Support

Minutes from December 14, 2018

1. Kip – Community member in recovery.
 - a. Shared his journey of moving from punish and shame to love and connection
 - b. Started on pain meds moved to heroin
 - c. Landed in Judge Kimbler’s drug court
 - i. Probation officer helpful in linkage to resources
 - d. Services
 - i. Jail – Alternative Paths
 - ii. Cathy’s House upon release
 - iii. Treatment through LCADA
 - iv. In program at Serenitee
 - v. Living in own home
 - e. Spoke highly of services and support offered in Medina County
 - f. Currently 16 months of sobriety
 - g. Degree in marketing and communications
2. Task Group Updates:
 - a. Social Media
 - i. Still on hold
 - b. Grief Support
 - i. Group continues to meet at Cornerstone
 - c. Grandfamilies and Support
 - i. No update
 - d. Training for Family Matters
 - i. Wadsworth group is growing – 9 participants
 - ii. Medina is going strong – 24 participants
 - iii. Cuyahoga County – 5 participants
 - iv. Lodi inquiring about starting a group
 - v. Brandts are recruiting additional volunteers to assist with groups
 - e. Outreach and Trainings
 - i. Brandts continue to present to school aged groups
 - f. Deterra
 - i. The group can get additional pouches due to taking part in collaborative
 - ii. Cindy continues to distribute at programming for Older Adults
 - iii. Next meeting
 1. Work on a plan for distribution
 2. Who do we want to approach
 - g. Hope Recovery Community
 - i. Move to location in April/ May
 - ii. Saturday evening dinners over 100 participants each week
 - iii. Planning sober New Year’s Eve celebration
 - iv. Heartland and Cornerstone Churches very supportive
 - v. Only 17 active Recovery Communities in Ohio

Next Meeting: January 11, 2019 @ 9:30a Medina County Health Department