



HILL COUNTY

Mental Health Local Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes:
December 10, 2018

Call to order: Deidre Reiter-Secretary

Roll call and introductions: Deidre Reiter, Sandy Derry, Amber Spring, Sherry Kegel, Curtis Smeby, Jasmine Carbajal, Tyler Schroeder, Patty Tilleman

Minutes: Minutes from 10/8/2018 were reviewed and approved. Curtis Smeby motioned to approve the minutes, and Patty Tilleman seconded the motion to approve.

Treasurer's Report: No report. Deidre will call Pizza Hut to follow up on their contribution to the Suicide Awareness Walk.

Old Business:

- NAMI-No Report.
- AMDD Report-No report.
- CSAA Report- Curtis traveled to Helena to meet with the CSAA group. Curtis reported the CSAA group is making an effort to re-energize and that he will follow up in finding out what the monthly meetings consist of.
- Media/PR-Deidre contacted Hannah at Montana Graphics. Hanna will be emailing the login and password and the costs associated with updating the webpage.
- Work Groups: (Community/School Engagement, Housing Advocacy, Transportation, Crisis Response Team)
 - Community/School Engagement-Havre Trauma Sensitive School Initiative will meet on Thursday, December 13, 2019 at the Robin's Building. The group is currently working on Connect, which is an online referral system. There is a \$100 fee for an agency or individual to use the program. Current locations are in Helena, Butte, Browning and Flathead.
In the Spring on 2019 the HTSSI group is hoping to partner with the LAC and MSU-extension to develop a committee to bring a Mental Health Film Festival that would be free to the community. Three documentaries will be shown. (Resilience/Paper Tigers/Whispering Ghosts). The committee will be looking for sponsors. It was suggested to reach out to the ECIT Committee.
YAM-Youth Aware of Mental Health will begin this month visiting with children in schools.
Darlene Sellars and Curtis Smeby completed the Safe Talk course and can offer the three-hour training course to interested individuals. The course is roughly \$50, which includes a handbook and is limited to 30 participants. The course is to bring awareness to suicide and give individuals the basic skills to get a suicidal person assistance.
 - Housing Advocacy-Sandy reported there is not official risk assessment and that landlords who receive federal funds are not allowed to rent to felony offenders. The Budget Inn is full, and they plan to increase their monthly rent amount which brings uncertainty to how much Hill County Treatment Court and the Salvation Army can afford to pay out. The El Toro is now closed. Amber reported she belongs to the MT Mental Health Trust group and they have purchased homes for mental health centers in the eastern and western parts of the state for patients coming out of incarceration or the state hospital.
 - Transportation-No report
 - Crisis Response Team-Amber will look into what other communities are doing.

New Business:

Jasmine handed out Thrive posters. Thrive is a video-based therapy program offered online. Jasmine reported there is room for 1,000 individuals and at this time there are 100 individuals signed up for Thrive services.

Adjournment: Next Meeting: January 14, 2018 at noon. Location: Bullhook Community Health Center