

Franklin County Service Providers

April 1, 2008

Meeting attendees:

Jon Althausser – Legal Services of Eastern Missouri
Alyce Carpenter – Franklin County Children’s Division
Dee Coppeans – St. John’s Mercy Hospital
Pam Cox Williams – Head Start
Mary Ann DeJesus – S.A.R.T. Program
Deputy Scott Duck – Franklin County Sheriff’s Department
Bob Gross – Preferred Family Health Care
Diana Halmick – SIMV
Paulette Hensley – Jefferson-Franklin Community Action
Pam Hoelscher – Missouri Department of Transportation
Traci Kampschroeder – St. John’s Mercy Hospital
Armin Klemme – Union Food Pantry
Norma Klemme – Habitat for Humanity
Sue Luedde – Adult Education & Literacy Program
Gail McPatrick – Franklin County CASA
Susan McGlynn – Family Planning Clinic
Sandra McKinnon – University of Missouri Extension
Tim Owens – HealthCare USA
Becky Stieffermann – Franklin County Area United Way
Holly Stratton Schmitt – Washington Healing Arts Center
Regina Sullivan – Harmony Health Plan
Glenda Volmert – Franklin County CASA
Sheria Yancey – Farm Service Agency

Franklin County Service Providers Presenter List for 2008

January 8, 2008	Group Goal Setting Meeting (Sandra McKinnon)
February 5, 2008	Annie Schulte & Carla Poepsel – Crider Center (will discuss Putting Kids First program)
March 4, 2008	CANCELLED DUE TO WEATHER (Norma Klemme & Mary De Jesus – Habitat for Humanity)
April 1, 2008	Panel discussion by: Franklin County Sheriff’s Department, Safe Kids St. Louis, and the Missouri Department of Transportation (will discuss Car Seat Safety Awareness)
May 6, 2008	Maria Killian – St. Vincent de Paul Society (will discuss Community Outreach programs)
June 3, 2008	Jennifer Derner – St. John’s Mercy Hospice
July 1, 2008	<u>NO MEETING SCHEDULED</u>
August 5, 2008	Sheria Yancey – USDA
September 2, 2008	Paulette Hensley – Jefferson Franklin Community Action
October 7, 2008	Don Covington – Sexual Assault Response Team
November 4, 2008	Becky Stieffermann – United Way
December 2, 2008	Sue Luedde – Adult Education & Literacy Program

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Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President, Sandra McKinnon, of the University of Missouri Extension. Due to time constraints, the agency representatives present introduced themselves but made no announcements about their agency.

The program presenters were then introduced. The panel was Pam Hoelscher from the Missouri Department of Transportation and Deputy Scott Duck from the Franklin County Sheriff's Department. Their program was on Child Car Seat Safety.

Pam began the presentation. She said there is a great need to educate parents and others with the importance of using child safety seats. Her department is available to set up training sessions. Also, we were informed that there are no child safety fitting stations in our county. This is a need which should be addressed. The stations can be set up any place.

Deputy Scott Duck said that the regulations for child safety seats which were passed in 2006 are very good, but sometimes the different stipulations for age, size and weight can be confusing for parents. The manufacturers' guidelines which are on the seat should be followed. The Sheriff's department sets up check points where every car is stopped and inspected as to whether the safety guidelines are being followed. Funds are available for families who cannot afford the car seats. People can contact MODOT, the police, or fire departments for information and help on obtaining safety items.

Many questions were asked of the presenters. The program was very informative and interesting. Much interest in child safety was expressed.

Sandra then asked how our group would like to proceed. It was decided to form a committee to explore the setting up of training sessions to educate the public and establish fitting stations. This would be done in cooperation with the Sheriff and other departments and agencies. The committee includes Sandra, Alyce Carpenter, Paulette Hensley, Tim Owens and Becky Stieffermann. The committee will work with Pam Hoelscher.

The meeting then adjourned with Armin Klemme announcing that anyone interested in helping Habitat build two houses April – August could call him at 636-583-6477.

Respectfully submitted by,
Norma Klemme
(Secretary Pro-tem)