

Franklin County Service Providers

November 4, 2008

Meeting attendees:

Jon Althausser – Legal Services of Eastern Missouri
Lisa Beatty – Mid-East Area Agency on Aging
Alyce Carpenter – Franklin County Children’s Division
Cathy Covington - ALIVE
Michael Cundiff – Family Wellness Program
Lisa Epple – East Central College
John Falcone – HealthCare USA
Diana Halmick – SIMV
Melissa Hildebrandt – Mid-East Area Agency on Aging
Armin Klemme – Union Food Pantry
Sue Luedde – Adult Education & Literacy Program
Sandra McKinnon – University of Missouri Extension
Idalia McNulty – Molina Healthcare
Karen Rothschild – Division of Family Services

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January 6, 2009	Make It a Quick Click – Kyle Quick
February 3, 2009	Alzheimer’s Association – Stephanie Rohlfs-Young
March 3, 2009	United Way 2-1-1 – Phyllis Hicks
April 7, 2009	Legal Services of Eastern MO – Jon Althausen
May 5, 2009	Lutheran Family & Children’s Services – Dee Restrepo
June 2, 2009	<u>TENTATIVE – confirm in January</u> Franklin County Sheriff’s Department - Deputy Duck
July 2009	No meeting held in July
August 4, 2009	Division of Children’s Services – Alyce Carpenter
September 1, 2009	St. John’s Mercy Hospital Auxiliary – Deanna Coppeans
October 6, 2009	Harmony Health Plan – Regina Sullivan
November 3, 2009	Habitat for Humanity – Norma Klemme & Mary Ann DeJesus
December 1, 2009	Americare – Julie Willman

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Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Sandra McKinnon with University of Missouri Extension. Introductions and the following announcements were made:

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A list serv sign-up sheet was sent around for anyone new wishing to add their contact information. A reminder was made that elections will be held in December for the Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary positions. A handout was given which outlines these three positions. Current officers were thanked for their service. Also for the December meeting, please bring a half a dozen cookies to share and bring information on how many people your agency served in 2008.

ALIVE:

Cathy Covington shared information about their "An Evening for Me" event to be held on Friday, December 5 at the Washington Healing Arts Center from 6:00 to 9:00 pm. The cost is \$35 and includes refreshments, a silent auction, an upper body massage, reflexology, and foot scrub. For more information or to register you can call 636-583-9863.

Adult Education & Literacy Program:

Sue Luedde discussed that volunteers are in a win-win situation. Please help their program and volunteers by helping to spread the word about their services; people who don't read need to HEAR about this program.

Habitat for Humanity:

Armin Klemme reported that the Habitat home in St. Clair is now vacant. They'll be taking applications for this home through the end of November. They've found an available lot in Sullivan and will begin work at this location next year.

Union Food Pantry:

Armin Klemme announced that the Festival of Sharing was held on October 18. From this food drive approximately 100 pounds of rice and beans and 17 sacks of potatoes were given. The Boy Scout food drive will be held in a couple weeks. In the past, 7,000 to 8,000 items have been donated during this time. There were 40 people who participated in the CROP Walk on October 12 and \$3,700 was raised. The pantry is desperately looking for a new, and free, location.

Molina Healthcare:

Idalia McNulty stated that their agency officially changed their name from Mercy Care Plus to Molina Healthcare on October 1.

United Way:

Becky Stieffermann was our guest speaker. The Franklin County Area United Way serves all of the school districts that serve Franklin County. They have a 21 member board that serves for three years. They help in making corporate calls and with company rallies. In 2007, thanks in cooperation with their supporting agencies, they helped serve over 44,000 people. Becky showed their new Building Better Communities campaign video. It discussed that they provide funding to over 40 local agencies including youth programs. Final campaign contributions will be turning in by this Friday. Becky provided a United Way brochure that serves as a great resource. Every dollar that's raised through this campaign stays in this community and allocation decisions are made by the Franklin County office. They have received 43 applications this year; 5 of them new agencies. Agencies must reapply each year for United Way allocations.

Community Response for Children is a program where schools can fill out an application to utilize funds for students who would otherwise not be able to financially attend field trips or have medical needs met such as hearing aids, handicap accessible vehicles, glasses, etc.

A Power of the Purse event will be held on Sunday, November 9 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. The event is held in collaboration with the Mentz Foundation and will be at #6 Williams Drive in Union. For more information and tickets, call 636-239-1018.

Respectfully submitted by,
Lisa Epple