

# **Franklin County Service Providers**

June 2, 2009

Meeting minutes are also posted on the website:

<http://extension.missouri.edu/franklin/ServiceProviders/Index>

## **Meeting attendees:**

Jon Althausser – Legal Services of Eastern Missouri  
Alyce Carpenter – Franklin County Children’s Division  
Deputy Scott Duck—Franklin County Sheriff’s Dept. (Speaker)  
Cathy Covington—ALIVE  
John Falcone – HealthCare USA  
Jeanette Hale—Franklin County Health Department  
Patricia Ham—Probation and Parole  
Kathy Hartman—Children’s Adv. Center of East Central MO  
Paulette Hensley – Jefferson Franklin Community Action  
Micki Hoffman—East Central College AEL  
Stephanie Hulsey—Franklin County EMA  
Connie McDonald – CenterPointe Hospital  
Fran McCullen—Division of Youth Services  
Susan McGlynn—Family Planning Clinic  
Rachel Mislser—Heartland Center  
Darren O’Rear—Division of Youth Services  
Kellee Peebles—Molina Healthcare  
Rachel Owens – Heartland Center  
Annie Schulte – Franklin County Comm. Resource Board  
Becky Stieffermann – Franklin County Area United Way  
Sue Swisshelm – Head Start  
Jenny Wallach—Univ. of MO Extension  
Verna Woodson—Recovery Inc.

## **Franklin County Service Providers Presenter List for 2009**

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	CASA (substitute)
June 2, 2009	Franklin County Sheriff’s Department - Deputy Scott Duck
July 2009	<b>No meeting held in July</b>
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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The meeting was called to order by Becky Stieffermann with the Franklin County Area United Way. Introductions and the following announcements were made:

Becky Stiefferman had emailed the bylaws, and she passed out additional copies prior to a discussion of any suggested changes. Since no one had any suggestions for changes, Cathy Covington moved, and the motion was seconded and passed, to approve the bylaws as they stand.

Becky then advised that Univ. of MO Extension Services could no longer host our website (they are in the process of revising their site and web services). YHTI (a local internet provider) offered us a not-for-profit rate of \$5.00/month. We would have to have a webmaster. Sandra McKinnon had said that she could spearhead the change-over, but she could no longer be the webmaster since she has moved out of the area. Both Jeannette Hale and John Falcone offered their help. The executive committee will discuss this further and make a decision very soon.

**Franklin County Children's Division:** Alyce Carpenter announced that they are tying in with the Summer Youth Program, part of the economic stimulus package. She has been working with Don Bertram from East Central College.

**Franklin County Area United Way:** Becky Stieffermann did not have anything new to discuss.

**East Central College:** Micki Hoffman reminded the group that there are still jobs for youth available through the Youth Grant that Don Bertram discussed at the last meeting. There is additional information on the East Central College website.

**ALIVE:** Cathy Covington reminded us that this is the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ALIVE, and a dinner will be held on June 26 at Chico's in Washington.

**Healthcare USA:** John Falcone said they have just launched a new website and encouraged everyone to visit the new site.

**Legal Services of Eastern Missouri:** Jon Althaus stated they are still in the process of hiring an additional full-time attorney for their office.

**Franklin County Health Department:** Jeanette Hale said they have information available on the swine flu.

**University Extension Services:** Jeannie Wallach said they are gearing up for the fairs.

**Headstart:** Sue Swisshelm said they are taking applications for 3 & 4 year olds for the fall sessions.

**Franklin County Community Resource Board:** Annie Schulte said her agency has information available for those seeking funding from Putting Kids 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Family Wellness:** Mike Cundiff was not present, but sent word that they are offering "Love and Logic" and parenting classes.

There will not be a meeting in July. The next meeting will be August 4.

## **Franklin County Sheriffs' Department—Deputy Scott Duck, speaker**

The Franklin County Sheriff's Department received a grant from the State of Missouri for their traffic division. The grant spans over 7 years, with \$400,000 the first year, followed by \$140,000 the second year.

The focus is on enforcing the motor vehicle laws, including speeding and following too closely. The grant gave the department funding to hire an additional 3 full-time, fully-paid deputies and to purchase additional vehicles for those personnel. The department already has 2 deputies working traffic enforcement, and one deputy who shares that duty with other responsibilities. It is anticipated that more vehicles will be purchased through the grant.

Franklin County is in the top 10 counties in all traffic categories, one of the reasons they were chosen for this grant. The trend for traffic accidents involving drinking, and the number of deaths as result of traffic accidents, had increased since 2006. This grant and the attention that can be given to the problem should mean a decrease in the numbers.

In the last 8 months, the 7 person department has made over 2500 traffic stops. They have also been able to do warrant searches on blood for suspected DWI, if the driver refuses a breathalyzer. They will also be setting up sobriety checkpoints.

The deputies work 12 hours shifts. The county is split into 4 quadrants, with one or two deputies per zone. Deputy Duck said that Franklin County is the second largest in the state in size.

Deputy Duck was asked if the department responded to citizen calls for traffic offenses. He advised that the caller should have the vehicle's license plate number before calling. If possible, a deputy would be dispatched to the area, but it would depend on availability. In addition, he stated that the department would accept calls from persons who reported drivers transporting children under 18 without a car seat or seatbelt. Again, the response would depend on availability.

Respectfully submitted,

Micki Hoffman  
East Central College