Franklin County Service Providers
10-4-11 Meeting Minutes

Meeting Attendees:
Faith Barnes, Healthcare USA
Dee Coppeans, Heartland Hospice
Betty Crawford, ALIVE
Mike Cundiff, Catholic Family Svcs./Family Wellness
John Falcone, Healthcare USA
Linda Downey, LFCS
Samantha Goehri, Health Care USA
Micki Hoffman, East Central College (AEL)
Julie Hook, National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse
Therese Jacques, LFCS
Christine Johannson, BJC Hospice
Armin Klemme, Union Food Pantry
Norma Klemme, Habitat for Humanity
Polly Kloppe, Missouri First Steps
Sandy Langenberg, United Way
Dierdre Lewis, United Way 2-1-1
Sue Luedde, Child Evangelism Fellowship
Susan McGlynn, Family Planning Service
Sondra McKay, Internal Family Systems Therapist/Mind Body Connection
Idalia McNulty, Molina HealthCare MO
Letitia Marlow, Washington Healing Arts Center
Suzette Monda, Sisters of Grace of Franklin County
Sheila Policari, New Vision Medical Stablization
Karen Rothschild, Family Services Division
Mary Schoepfer, Univ. of MO Ext.
Annie Schulte, Franklin County Children and Families Community Resource Board
Robin Stewart, Pregnancy Assist. Center
Sue Swisshelm, Head Start
Mary Thompson, Heartland Hospice
Jenny Wallach, Univ. of MO Ext.
Charlotte Wellenkamp, McAuley Clinic

John Falcone welcomed everyone to the meeting. Members provided self-introductions.

September minutes were reviewed and approved.
Mike Cundiff: Catholic Family Services/Family Wellness
Mike’s agency is located in Union, at 102 S. Springfield.
The agency offers numerous services including:

- Counseling (Mike Cundiff is one of the counselors) for children, adolescents, adults and groups.
- Anger Management classes: 6 wk. and 12 wk. session
- Personal Finance classes
- Love and Logic classes

Classes are underwritten by the United Way and the Franklin County Children and Families Community Resource Board. Fees can be waived or provided on a sliding scale for the under-insured and un-insured.

St. Louis has a Fatherhood Project, to reunite father with their families. The project provides GED classes, further education opportunities and employment assistance.

The SPP (School Partnership Program) in 9 parochial schools provides an embedded counselor in those schools for therapeutic needs.

LOVE & LOGIC provides a relationship approach to families.

Translation services for non-English skills are available.

Depression and ADHD help for children and teens is available. VISIT THEIR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ALL OF THE SERVICES www.cfsstl.org

Old Business:
The Community Service and Volunteer Fair was reviewed. The United Way can provide a list of those agencies etc that participated. Turnout was low, and the question was asked “do we want to repeat”, which led to discussion of partnering with the Community Resource Board in the future. John Falcone also recognized Chris Johannson, Dee Coppeans and Jennifer Derner, coordinators of the event, and presented them with certificates of appreciation.

Please continue to use the listserve to “advertise” your not-for-profits events to the membership.

New Business:
John asked for discussion of a “Member of the Year” award. A committee will be formed to explore this. Next March, 2012, is the 20th anniversary of the group.
November meeting: we will be taking nominations for the executive offices; election to follow in December.
December meeting: Please bring something (cookies etc) to share. You may also bring a canned good item to donate to the food pantries. All of the local food pantries are in desperate need of food.
No action yet on the website. A committee will be appointed to start work on this. If you are interested, contact John Falcone.
Member announcements:

Lutheran Family and Childrens Services: Nurturing Parent Classes start Tuesday, October 18 in St. Clair. Contact LFCS, Linda Downey at 314-754-2781 for more info.

ALIVE: Candlelight Vigil, Wednesday, October 26, 6:30 at Historic Franklin County Courthouse, UNION, to observe Domestic Violence Awareness Month.
To adopt a family through ALIVE, call Cathy Covington at 636-583-9863, from 10-17 through 11-15. ALIVE also needs volunteers, call the office for more info.

Pregnancy Assistance Center: Benefit Fish Fry, October 28, 4-7:00 pm at K of C Hall, Washington. Contact Fritzi Alferman at 636-239-1840. Adults: $9.50, children 6-11, $4.00.

MO Baptist Sullivan: New Vision Medical Stablization: Health Fair, November 5, 7am-12pm at Sullivan High School, Commons Area, 573-468-1063 Sheila Policari for more info.

Franklin County Headstart: Still have opening for children in all centers. Ages 3-5. Call Sue Swisshelm, 636-583-6465.

United Way: Power of the Purse, Thursday, October 20 at 6:00 pm at Hagies in Washington. Silent and oral auctions for purses modeled by men from the community and hosted by Alex Fees, KSDK-TV. Money goes to United Way campaign.

Sisters of Grace: Open house October 16, 11am-4pm. Call Suzette Monda at 636-388-6509.

Child Evangelism Fellowship: Sue Luedde, 636-742-5375 for info on the Good News Clubs that meeting in the local area schools. Call for more info.

Jefferson-Franklin Community Action Corp.: LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Program) will begin processing applications from elderly and disabled families on October 3. Others may apply after November 1. Refer calls to Info Line at 636-789-2686, ext. 155. Due to budget cuts, their offices will be closed on Wednesdays and Fridays. Remind clients to come on Monday, Tuesday or Thursday, 8:30 am-4:30 pm.

Franklin County Community Empowerment Collaboration: Offering Grant Quest Workshops. October 21, and November 18, 8:30-12pm at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Union. No fee, but please register by 10-17. 636-239-1018 or email info@franklincountyuw.org

East Central College Adult Education and Literacy: Classes enrolling first week of each month. Call the office for more information, check us on the ECC website or look for us on Facebook at East Central College Adult Education and Literacy. 636-584-6533 for schedule and locations.