

## COLLABORATIVE MEETING MINUTES May 16, 2013

Celenda Perry – CCAR	Eddie Rhone – NAACP	CT Green – CCAR
Ellen Post – Comm. of CGA Fdn	John King – Commun. Gardens	Chandra Mahony – A.S.H
Kati Berhow – CCAR/ CCGA	Debbie Melton – Camden Health	Cheryl Fulton – FFSC
Lena Brathwaite-Bell – IPE	Bridget Wenum – CASA	Stephanie Owens – DJJ
Danelle Groover – VIV	Rachel Baldwin – CCHS	Mary Womack– VIV

I. The meeting was brought to order at 10:00 am at the Clubhouse at the soccer fields in St. Marys

II. The previous coalition meeting minutes were distributed and reviewed.

III. Past or ongoing initiatives:

- Rx Drug Takeback (April 27)
  - 105lbs collected
  - Celenda thanked Danelle Groover for putting out and taking up the Rx Takeback signs
  
- Teen Maze (April 29-30)
  - processed 242 pretest and 305 Post test
  - Tests were distributed to students by their teachers before and after Teen Maze
  
- Act Out Loud (May 1)
  - 142 Pledges
    - Kids took the pledge to be distractive driving free
    - Bethany and Heavon (CCAR Interns) along with CT and Carol Irving of \*\*\* County set up a table at the High school Cafeteria with Pledge cards and incentives.
  
- Behavioral Health/ Suicide Prevention Coalition- Law Enforcement Apprec. (May 15)
  - Celenda presented Sheriff Proctor, Chief Griffis, and Chief Hatch with Certificates of Apprec.
  - Suicide was the main topic; broached the topic of Admin. Consequences
  - S.O has started to look closely in to Suicide Prevention
  - All were excited to know that there are coalitions that out there that are with them in Suicide Prevention
  
- Vet Corps, Vet Services, Vet Fair (May 17)
  - Camden is only place next to Seattle WA to have Vet Corp VISTA Program
  - Rick has the keys to the new Bldg. offered by the BOE (next to the BOE/ DDS)
  - Vet Fair(10am-2pm)
    - there were no sponsors for this event
    - there will be 4 speakers (10am-11am)
    - 30 Organizations offering Veteran Service Information
  
- Alcohol Prevention Initiative
  - PURE Host Campaign
  - 68 Pledges (trying to reach 100 Pledges)
  - Lena handed out pledge cards for attendees to take the pledge while they were at meeting to help reach goal
  
- Attendance Panel

- Targeting families with history of poor student attendance
- working with school system and LIPT
  
- Community Assessment- see aggregate, provider, youth, Kids Count
  - Aggregated Result sheet was distributed and Celenda discussed
  - Report won't be completely ready until St. Marys' results are in
  
- BOE meeting (Tuesday, May 14)
  - Celenda and Veronica presented Awards to 6 teachers that were nominated as Teachers whom either Cared or Prepared students, in front of the Board
  - 90 students participated
  - Celenda says that she hopes the banner will be hung at the school

#### IV. Follow up on Child Abuse and Attendance Protocol adoptions

- Discussed by Celenda
- Protocols were passed but there are some signatures still missing

#### V. Other Initiatives

- Youth Development coalition
- Community Service Center
- School Supply Drive
  - Celenda will not be in town the week prior to the start of school

#### V. Other Business

- GED
  - There was a gripping discussion on the GED
  - Soon the GED will not be administered here in Camden and the only place to be tested will be in Brunswick; there was discussion about the price of the GED and the literary level of the tests;
  
- Health Dept.
  - Debbie handed out some flyers about Elderly Evacuation Assistance
- DJJ
  - selling raffle tickets
  - Zip it Up Domestic Violence flyer was passed around
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest
  - Chandra shared the stats of the food drive
    - 15652lbs food to 426 families
    - 1139 people 440 children 192 seniors
  - There are two more distributions left after the summer
- CCAR
  - CORE Prevention Training
    - Mary Langley (Morehouse School of Medicine)
    - open to anyone in the prevention field
    - Applicants must pay their own application fee (\$25)
    - FEMA bldg.

Next Meeting: June 20  
 Meeting Adjourned  
 Recorded by: CT Green