

Services & Supports for Youth Working Group
Peel Youth Violence Prevention Strategy
United Way of Peel Region Office
5170 Dixie Road, Suite 300 Mississauga
Wednesday February 13th, 2008

Minutes

Present: Ed Daniszewski (Peel District School Board), Karen Anslow (Nexus Youth Services), Nicole Dupuis (United Way of Peel Region), Daniela Isidori (John Howard Society), Glenda LaCoste (Dufferin-Peel Catholic School Board), Christine McIntyre-Del Zotto (Peel Regional Police), Tony DaSilva, Dorothy Fetterly (Peel Health).

Regrets: Ashley Lyons, Elicia Alleyne

1. Everyone introduced themselves
2. There were no additions to the agenda
3. Nicole and Dorothy took notes; Nicole chaired the meeting in the absence of the co-chairs.
4. Review of Minutes:
 - a. Nicole gave an overview of the January meeting, topics discussed and subgroup information shared; please see former minutes for details.
 - b. Tom Linkletter provided the group with a tour of the new Caledon Community Facility
5. Updates from Dorothy
 - a. The steering committee has begun to have discussions regarding how they can stay connected to working groups. Questions for group members: How do we want to have interactions with the steering committee? What would that look like? And do we bring all of the working groups together to re-connect? If anyone has any thoughts regarding this then please contact Dorothy.
 - i. Members at the meeting suggested:
 1. To receive the minutes from the steering committee meetings
 2. Communication strategy needs to be shared
 3. Information that is being asked to be distributed needs to have more coordination, information is difficult to sift through
 4. Bring chairs to meeting
 5. Aligning goals of Steering Committee & Working Groups
 - b. Winter Gala
 - i. 200 people attended
 - ii. Education group raised \$10,000
 - iii. This will possibly be an annual event
 - c. Community development group
 - i. Youth survey being created
 - ii. Questions tested with a youth focus group
 - d. Website construction continues
 - e. Use the same branding and labelling for all aspects of Peel Youth Violence Prevention Strategy.

- f. United Way of Peel Region raised over \$14.5 million.
 - g. United Way and Region of Peel are hosting focus groups at the end of February to assist them in setting funding priorities for the next 5 years.
6. Subgroup update
- a. Transitional package:
 - i. More research needs to be done on what currently exists, what is already mandated by the government
 - ii. Glenda: Transition package exists in the Mississauga North area
 - iii. Goal is to recruit youth to join i-TEAMS. (information- teens engaged in addressing missing services).
 - iv. i-TEAMS will assist working group in an advisory capacity to start off, with possible future continued involvement (essentially a sub-group of our working group)
 - v. Volunteer management best practices will be implemented when the group forms.
 - b. Youth Friendly Designation
 - i. Get to the group
 - ii. How do you define respect? What does it look like to you?
 - iii. What are the barriers to accessing services, i.e. guardians/parents approval, awareness
 - iv. Look for results and questions
 - v. What's the medium you like to use when contacting an agency?
 - vi. How do you want to access services?
 - 1. email
 - 2. phone
 - 3. voicemail
 - 4. multicultural youth
 - c. Youth Can Move the World
 - i. Members of the subgroup are attending the Youth Can Move the World Symposium, sharing the UWPR table
 - ii. Money/donations for giveaways (i-pod, i-shuffle, i-tunes)

Actions:

Karen to look at "Youth Plan" questions
 Dorothy – Youth Designation questions

7. Next Meeting

- a. No meeting in March
- b. April 9th 1:30pm – 3:30pm
 - i. Mississauga Crime Prevention Association
 Mississauga Civic Centre
 300 City Centre Drive
 Mississauga
 Committee Room C