

Promise Partners Committee Meeting Notes
Connections Matter Committee

COMMITTEE: Connections Matter
MEETING DATE: December 6, 2018

LOCATION: American Red Cross
705 N. 16th Street, Council Bluffs, Iowa

Attendees: Grace Tunning- FAMILY Inc First Five, Susan Pawloski- Lutheran Family Services, Beth McColough VNA Nurse-Family Partnership, Katie Bonnet- FAMILY Inc. Maternal Child Health, Christopher May- Parent Partners, Courtney Vestal- Parent Partners, Tanisha McNeal- Parent Partners, Jordan Morse- WIC/Child & Family Resource Network, Jessica Rayment- Promise Partners

Introductions

Presenter/Presentation Updates

Flash drives were distributed with updated handouts, slides, and other materials that a Connections Matter Presenter may need. Play foam was also purchased. Either are available by contact Jordan Morse at jordan.morse@pottcounty-ia.gov or Jessica Rayment at JRayment@promisepartners.org.

Materials include (but are not limited to):

- 20-minute presentation, 50-minute presentation, presentation videos, sign in sheet
- White papers: business, early education, education, faith communities, healthcare
- Handouts regarding ACES and relationships specific to the following: business, early education, education, faith communities, healthcare
- Branding Guide, logos, local photographs, photo release

The committee reviewed the list of trained facilitators of the Connections Matter Presentations. 20 trained facilitators were identified, although level of comfort and availability vary.

Jordan Morse shared that she had arranged a phone call with a representative with Prevent Child Abuse Iowa regarding updates to the curriculum/presentation. As well as to inquire about hosting a local Train the Trainer, Train the Presenter, or general curriculum updates.

Community Awareness Survey

The committee spent time developing a community survey to implement to see others' knowledge on ACES, resiliency, and the importance of relationships. Grace Tunning agreed to upload the survey into Google Forms, the survey would then be emailed out to the committee for final review and edits. The survey would be given to the public and results reviewed at the February 2019 meeting.

Targets for taking the survey include:

- Staff at the Green Hills Area Education Agency (GHAEA)
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- Businesses through the Council Bluffs Chamber listserve
- Childcare Providers
- Church Networks- including the Southwest Iowa Pastors Association
- Area Shelters
- A boosted Facebook post for general population

Next Meeting

Thursday, February 7, 2019 9:00am -10:30am, Promise Partners 1st floor Conference Room, Council Bluffs.

Connections Matter Committee's Purpose Statement:

Establishing firm foundations, using various public relations and internal connections, we expanded our committee in order to effectively meet the needs of identified communities from the awareness phase to the follow-up, planning documentation and action steps.