

**Iowa Change Leadership Vision Council
Older Youth Work Group**

September 8, 2021

Attendees: Marlo Nash, Andrea Dencklau, Chris Koeplin, Chad Jensen, Kristie Oliver, Robert Smith, Katie Henry

Results:

- OYWG is updated on action commitments from August 23 meeting.
- A set of recommendations is agreed upon for the ARPA funds and “Dir. Garcia meeting” (9/24).
- Action steps are identified.
- Action commitments are documented.

Handout: Updated Vision Council OYWG Proposed Targets, Progress Measures and Strategies (DISCUSSION DRAFT)

Agenda

Check In (5 minutes)

How are you?

In 2-3 words, who or what is on your mind as we start today’s meeting? (Could be an individual’s name, a population, an event, a situation, etc.)

Updates on Previous Action Commitments and Brief Context Setting for Today’s Focus (5-10 minutes)

Meeting with Jill Padgett (thanks, Kayla!)

- The group discussed Pre-Arrest Diversion Programs and how well they are working. Can the groups be replicated all over the state?
- Legislative Ask needs to be the same as the funding ask so everything goes hand in hand
- Temptation to be overly involved with kids to help them, but there are often unintended consequences
- Low Level misdemeanors are what is driving kids into the system in the first place
- Jill said she could probably do cost modeling for investing in the model
- Jill and Robert said that CBOs need resources and incentives to apply for programs
- Discussion on how Diversion programs fit in with Crisis Interventions and Mobile Interventions.
 - LEO need trained in Trauma Informed Care
 - Who runs Pre-Arrest Diversion Programs
 - DHS/IDP, DECAT
 - Tabled: Finding more information on Mobile Crisis/Crisis Intervention programs
- Anne Starr has done some work with this topic and biggest issue is funding

Meeting with Ana Clymer (thanks, Andrea!)

- Ana is ensuring there are evidenced base practices in child welfare for older youth.

- Ensuring documentation is inclusive for all languages

Meeting scheduled with Diane Foss (thanks, Robert!)

- Diane is the liaison in the Western Service area
 - She's doing a mini deep dive of disproportionality of native community members
 - Robert plans to talk more in depth with her

Focus today: establishing recommendations to take to the meeting with Dir. Garcia et al on 9/24

Generating Recommendations (45 minutes)

- Proposed recommendation out of meeting with Jill Padgett
 - Jill propose Diversion Programs to Director Garcia
 - Group believes things need to be flushed out more
 - How does Pre-Arrest Diversion fit into the IDPH/DHS merger?
 - How would you expand Pre-Arrest Diversion Services to all statewide Service Areas/JCS DECAT funded contracts?
 - One is exploratory and one is direct and builds off of current actions
 - Jill reports that the program is working where it is implemented
- Potential recommendations/opportunities out of meeting with Ana Clymer
- Review of options for recommendations (see Updated Vision Council OYWG Proposed Targets, Progress Measures and Strategies Discussion Draft)
 - Bring in experts for family finding to look at policies
 - Evidenced Base Practices
 - Motivational Interviewing
 - On the clearinghouse but very expensive
 - Peer Support
 - Cross over youth
 - Consider previous decisions made by the OYWG/Vision Council: EBPs for older youth (10 and up); housing (North Star Workgroup); financial stability (North Star Workgroup); need for more robust Family Finding
- Proposal(s) from OYWG members for recommendations to confirm or next steps

Wrap up and Check Out (5 minutes)

- Does the OYWG need to meet again before September 24?
 - Yes – Katie to send out doodle poll
- Check Out Question:
 - What action step(s) are you committed to? (This may be a recap of what you've already committed to do during this meeting. Or, an expression of support for the next steps the OYWG needs to take.)
 - Kristie – speak with Anne Starr
 - Andrea – touch base with Jill about where to house the Diversion program
 - Chad & Andrea – Work on Framework for Pre-Arrest Diversion Program recommendations to bring everything together
 - Robert – send Andrea information on Diversion Program from DHS
 - Kristie – Send out list of EBPs
 - Andrea – prioritize list of recommendations and send out to group
 - Marlo – look into crossing over other groups

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