Iowa Change Leadership Vision Council
Older Youth Work Group
September 16, 2021
Attendees: Kathy Hanafan, Marlo Nash, Chris Koepplin, Kristie Oliver, Andrea Dencklau, Chad Jensen, Katie Henry

Results:

- A set of recommendations is agreed upon for the ARPA funds and “Dir. Garcia meeting” (9/24).
- Action steps are identified, assigned, and documented.

Handout: List of recommendations (Draft from Andrea)

Agenda

Check In (5 minutes)
How are you?
Have you had a chance to review the recommendations? If so, briefly, do you have an initial observation/thought to share?

Finalizing Recommendations

- Review of options for recommendations – OYWG, and cross-cutting from North Star Work Group
  - Discussion about how each recommendation is good and how it can be beneficial
  - Recommendation 1 – Overarching concept – we do need to add Law Enforcement
  - Recommendation 2 – Pockets of this happening in the state but not sure it is being done to fidelity. The cost is out of reach for most organizations. Discussion around Motivational Interviewing
  - Recommendation 3 – Everyone in favor
  - Recommendation 4 – Diversion programs help low risk families and should be completed in 60 days so they are truly on the preventative side
  - Recommendations 5 & 6 need to be more flushed out
  - Recommendation 6 – providing the right service, at the right time, to the right youth. Needs to be an assessment driven problem. Systems need to work together before a crisis arises. Need money for TA and implementation

- Finalize and prioritize recommendations for: 1) ARPA funding; 2) possibly for ARPA, but definitely to share with Director Garcia
  - Main topic – Propose discussing EBPs to spread around the state to get kids out of the system as fast as possible or keep kids out of the system (DHS or JJ)
    - If the state asks which EBPs, just give a list of them – DHS knows what they are and should be surprised to hear them. They all have their benefits

- Any input to the North Star Work Group?
  - Discuss child care as a child abuse prevention tactic
  - After school care for older youth

- Any input to the Vision Council representatives who will be at the meeting?
Wrap up and Check Out (5 minutes)

- Check Out Question:
  - In a few words, how are you feeling about what we came up with as our prioritized list of recommendations?
  - What action step(s) are you committed to?
    - Marlo & Andrea – work on a way to streamline the recommendations by Monday, 9.20.21
    - Everyone – read and provide input to Andrea’s recommendations
    - Chad & Andrea – connect to discuss the Crossover Model

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