

Clark County Independent Living Committee

Department of Family Services
500 S Grand Central Pkwy, Las Vegas, NV 89155
ODC Room # 1 and Microsoft Teams
Dec 13, 2022
3:00 – 4:30 pm

1. Call to order - Welcome and Introductions
2. Approve Minutes from Sept 20, 2022.
 - a. Minutes approved.
3. Clark County Independent Living Program
 - a. IL Updates
 - i. Up and coming workshops (Winter Break)
 1. Food Handler's card training (Charles Prater and Kathy Treants)
 - a. Coming up on the Dec. 21st, registration is full
 - b. Recap, 1st session, Nov's went well.
 - i. Kathy and Charles did a great job facilitating the workshop along with other IL staff.
 - ii. Most of the youth passed their test, received gift cards and their voucher to pay for the health card
 1. Despite youth receiving their 30-day voucher many did not make it within the 30 day window to pick up their health card.
 2. IL will be following up with the youth that were not able to get their card and or voucher.
 3. IL will have vouchers ready before the workshop, youth have 30 days from the day of the workshop to get to Southern Nevada Health District.
 4. Need everyone's help, reminding youth and getting them to Southern Nevada's Health District.
 2. Culinary Academy Informational
 - a. Dec 27 at the Culinary Academy
 - b. For our youth who are interested in culinary or hospitality
 - c. Culinary Academy have funds for youth and young adults to cover tuition, transportation and childcare support if needed
 - d. Flyers were sent out for this workshop
 - e. Will need assistance with transportation
 - ii. Life Set introduction (Nymisha)
 1. Brief update
 - a. Currently assigning new cases

- b. Newest worker Jessica Marable has come aboard after her training they will be assigning more cases.

4. FAAYT - Foster and Adoptive Youth Together (CAA)

- a. Meeting on a regular basis (1st and the 3rd Thursday of the month from 6-7pm) via Zoom.
 - i. In-person meeting
 - ii. Working on dates for in person meeting at DFS Torrey Pines
 - iii. Actively recruiting youth

5. Clark County Social Services (Step Up)

- a. Currently have 315 young adults participating in Step Up
 - i. 15 FAFFY and 300 Voluntary Jurisdiction
 - ii. Since this is the last month of the year, we have had 92 young adults enter and 94 young adults exit
 - iii. Currently doing interviews for an Office Specialist.
 - iv. Things are still going well with Guide Tree implementation
 - v. Staff Lisa Julia and Jenn, have taken on Step Up Plus, done the training and enrolled some guide tree participants

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS* (Open for Community Providers to share their programs and/or provide upcoming events)

- a. Shining Star – Mason
 - i. Child haven IL classes ongoing
 - ii. Working with Juvenile detention center
 - 1. Teaching a Nutrient Classes
 - 2. Working on implementing a hybrid program- Packaged IL Module for JDC
- b. Rise Home -Daja
 - i. Will start deploying our assistance with rental assistance and emergency shelter starting in Jan.
 - 1. Rental assistance
 - a. Help with move in or rental deposit
 - b. Can only help with one month rent
 - i. Just need a sign off from landlord.
 - 2. Emergency Shelter
 - a. For youth in-between housing or services. Need a place to stay temporarily
 - b. Place hotel/motel voucher
 - i. Pay for up to 30days
 - ii. Women's home for transitional living program.
 - 1. 6 beds (taking 18 or more young people)
 - iii. For Assistance contact Daja@risehomesnv.com
- c. Olive Crest -Alissa
 - i. Teens and young adults' program that cater to current and former foster youth
 - 1. Servicing young adults ages 18 to 21yrs
 - 2. Providing independent living as well as placement in one of their apartments
 - a. Currently have 3 vacancies – with 1 geared towards a single mother

3. Opening therapy services for current and former foster youth who aren't in their care
 - a. Providers they can assist with are Medicaid fee-for-service and Molina
- ii. Question from Laura, NSHE
 1. Does your process require a youth to go through the coordinated entry process or is their process separate?
- iii. Answer from Alissa
 1. Olive Crest has their own application process.
 - a. Application is given to the youth, have youth fill it out and get it back to Olive Crest.
 - b. Alissa will review it. If a child is in therapy, they will ask for the assessment, if not they will get a mental health assessment done at Olive Crest
 - c. Review the assessment to make sure if they can assist and how to support the needs of the individual long term
 2. Young adults are required to either be working or attending school
 3. Rent at a reduced rate
 - a. \$550 a month, \$450 goes to cable, Wi-Fi, and utilities the other \$100 goes into a savings account to them
 - b. Will match up to \$2400 if they are in the program that long and successfully complete the program
 - c. On a very rare occasion they are able to keep youth past the age of 21
 4. Alissa agreed to email Laura more information.
- d. NSHE -Laura
 - i. Just did an overhaul of our financial aid tool kit on their website
 1. Updates to scholarships and other resources and subheading for youth that have been in foster care
 - a. ETV information and Scholarships both locally and nationally
 - b. Applications are due at various times of the year for scholarships (heavy season is now through the first quarter of the year)
 1. The Public Education Foundation – Southern Nevada
 2. Community Foundation – Northern Nevada
 - a. Currently over administration for Otto A. Huth and foster children education scholarship
 - b. Working on expanding eligibility
- e. Legal Aid -Jaymie
 - i. RISE app (Provides resources in the community)
 1. Calendar of events, classes, master lawyer events, food assistance, medical, finance, housing assistance, and crisis.

2. Continue sharing app when meeting with youth, have them download the app (QR code is on the flyer)

7. Next Meeting: Dec 13, 2022, at 3:00pm

- a. Meeting will be held in person at the Government Center ODC #1 and virtual through Microsoft Teams

8. Adjournment

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