

PROFILE of Parkland Community Partnership Committee

Goals:

- To identify existing services, trends, strengths and gaps for the purpose of developing an enhanced continuum of supports and services for children and families in the region
- To cultivate strong inter-personal relationships between key stakeholders in pursuance of collaborative and inclusive planning

Expected Outcomes:

- Increased knowledge of services in our region
- Improved communications among service providers
- Increased collaboration among service providers
- A more planned approach to service delivery with other providers
- An enhanced continuum of services for children and families
- Stronger interpersonal relationships between service providers

A Collaborative Community Mapping Planning Process

Joint Commitment:

- Fall 2005: Meeting with M.A.P.S. Alberta Capital Region to discuss partnership
- January 2007: Terms of reference completed
- April 2007: Action Plan Strategies: Community Mapping, Collaborative Planning, Relationship Building, Seeking Inclusiveness of First Nations and Métis People

Community Profile:

- January 2006 - June 2006: Identifying, reviewing and modifying resources that are being mapped with Committee
- September 2006: Planning Day re: structure, roles, terms of reference, membership
- October 2007: Map portfolio shared – mapping analysis
- January 2009: Demographic Maps (Census 2006) presented.

Community Engagement:

- December 2008: Shared updated maps and identified and affirmed local issues and trends, priorities and potential strategies
- Feb 2009: Three Strategies agreed upon: Family Violence, Common Intake/Case Conferencing, Parent Education/Role Modeling

Action:

- March 2009: Action plans being created by 3 subgroups focusing on themes identified: Family Violence, Common Intake/Case Conferencing, Parent Education/Role Modeling
- The Common Intake/Case Conferencing group has renamed themselves “Critical Connections”. It consists of front line staff from regional agencies who serve children, youth and families. Their purpose in meeting is to “To share information that will mutually assist members to serve their clients in the most effective manner.” The group has met monthly since their inception in May 2009.
- December 2009: The Family Violence Group, now being called Response to Family Violence, is meeting regularly and is now working at becoming more formalized, establishing a Mission, Vision and Strategic Plan.

- The Parent Education/Role Modeling group has struggled with focus, but after three excellent presentations on this subject at the last Parkland & Area Community Partnership Breakfast Meeting, a follow-up meeting has been planned for April 1, 2010.
- January/February 2010: Staff from Spruce Grove FCSS and Stony Plain FCSS co-facilitated Leadership Challenge Training in the Parkland Area, with the assistance of Deborah Morrison.

Members and Organizations Represented

- FCSS Spruce Grove
- FCSS Stony Plain
- Native Counseling Services Association
- Capital Health
- CFSA First Nations Parkland County
- CFSA Parkland County
- CFSA Region 6
- CFSA Parkland County
- Yellowhead County FCSS
- Native Counseling Services Of Alberta
- Yellowhead County FCSS
- M.A.P.S.
- C.P.E.F.

Outcomes Achieved To Date:

- Partnership members have increased knowledge of services in our region
- Improved communications among service providers
- Increased collaboration among service providers
- Stronger interpersonal relationships between service providers

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