

**JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL**

**January 22, 2020 Meeting Minutes**

**Members Present:** Kelvin Allen, Drew Cummings, Andre Hinton, Allan Lang, Kevin McIver, Solina Richards, Albert Royster, Leah Selvy, Nisha Williams Dwain Green, Brenda Howerton, Tasha Jones-Butts, Chenelle McInnis, Jennifer Meade, Angela Nunn, Shannon Teamer

**Members Absent:** Tara Blackley, Pat Evans, Lesly Gonzales

**Program Providers:** Yasmin Boone, Gwendolyn Johnson, Clark Hunt, Nicole Moore, Arkeem Brooks, Kerry Brock, John Hunt

**Guest:** Laylon Williams

**Staff:** Kelley Waggy, Jim Stuit

**Welcome & Introductions** Chairperson Nisha Williams called the meeting to order at 4:10pm. Nisha Williams welcomed attendees and asked them to introduce themselves.

**November 18, 2019 Minutes and December 18, 2019 Minutes**

Both November and December Minutes were reviewed and accepted as written.

**CIT Presentation- Laylon Williams**

Mr. Williams shared that he requested to present to the JCPC in hopes of future partnerships as CIT grows. It was acknowledged that Law Enforcement Officers and First Responders are becoming the first point of contact for people with mental health disorders and/or substance use disorders who are in crisis, as a result the Crisis Intervention Team was formed. CIT is a PARTNERSHIP between First Responders, Local Agencies, the Mental Health System, and its Consumers and Families. Mr. Williams shared the following CIT goals:
Educate our Community

Officer and Citizen Safety

Consumer connection to treatment

Reduction in the Use of Force

Jail Diversion

Reduce chronic calls for service

Increase public confidence and support

Establish and Build Mental Health/ First Responder/ Consumer Partnerships

Mr. Williams also shared with us a new youth-based initiative, CIT for Youth. The goal of the initiative is to identify youth with mental health needs BEFORE they become entangled with the juvenile system, before they drop out of school and/or even develop a more difficult to treat chronic condition. In closing he asked that we keep open lines of communication and a potential willingness to partner with CIT for Youth.

**Program Presentation-El Futuro**

El Futuro is located in the Lakewood area of Durham. Kerry Brock shared that they have 8 new youth this year and 18 total have been served to date. Ms. Brock also shared that since the inception of Raise the Age, they have had 5 youth in the new age range. JCPC Funds help them to provide basic mental health for the youth served. El Futuro provides a vast array of services to help both local youth and their parents. In addition to traditional services they try to provide wrap around care. El Futuro has case managers that help to connect youth and families to additional resources. They have also significantly expanded their capacity and as a result, have leased an additional building. Ms. Brock shared that there is a shortage of bilingual therapists. They have recently hired a therapist from Puerto Rico. Ms. Brock shared that JCPC Funding serves a small portion of their clients. El Futuro has 35 grants and contracts active right now. PBDurham funding, received this year, allowed for the expansion and hiring clinicians. The El Futuro green space is continuing to grow and a mural is next in the works. Ms. Brock invited everyone to come out and experience the green space, its development and why it is so popular amongst their youth.

**Program Presentation-Parenting of Adolescents**

Parenting of Adolescents is a unique program located here in Durham. Their overall goal is to keep ALL children safe and offer supportive guidance to family units as a whole. Ms. Moore invited us into what treatment can look like. Ms. Moore took the board on a journey from start to finish, it was well received and a good reminder of how important the work that POA does is. POA expects to serve the following: 4- Level II youth (1-2 more prioritized for this year),

2- Youth transitioning from YDC or out of home placement, 21-22 DJJ or Community referred youth- with priority given to youth from DJJ

POA will have 10-11 remaining for the year- we anticipate:5-7 of these will be court referred youth, 4-5 of these will be community referrals

**Entered Closed Session**

**FY20 RFP Approval**

The FY20 Request For Proposals (RFP) was presented to the board. Mr. Cummings to a moment to explain the minor changes that had been made from years past and how the RFP would be distributed from FY21 funding. JCPC Board members voted unanimously to put forth the FY20 RFP.

**Additional Funding Vote**

El Futuro’s application for additional funding was presented to the board. All members reviewed the application and funding was approved unanimously

**Announcements**

Nisha Williams thanked the Board for their time. The board was reminded that the next JCPC meeting would be 02/26/2020.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm