

Advancing Our Youth Agenda for 2-6-03

AOY Celebration Attendees:

Cheryl Johnson, Center For Community
Mary Sarvella, Commission on Health Needs and Community Services
Marilyn Hanson, Youth Advocates of Sitka, Board Member
John Ferrick, Sitka High Video
Margaret Andrew, Center for Community
Nancy LeClerc-Davidson, Sitka Prevention and Treatment Services
Hank LeClerc, AOY Student Representative, Sitka High School
Rick Petersen, Compass Program in Pacific and Sitka High Schools
Pat Alexander, Sitka Tribe of Alaska, Social Services
Stan Filler, CHARR
Patti MacPike, Islands Counseling Services
Steve Bradshaw, Sitka School District Superintendent
Dan Etulain, North Star Television
Ric Iannolino, Circles of Care for CCTHITA
Lorena Baty, Parent Advocate and AOY Community Representative
Camielle Call, Islands Counseling Services
Betty Henning, Faith community representative
Betsy Carter, Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium
Diane Climo, Division of Juvenile Justice
Tom Clarke, Division of Juvenile Justice
Jon Treadway, Student
Mike Schlins, Workforce Development Coordinator
Dick Wilson, NAMI, AOY Community Representative
Aryeh Levenson, Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium
Chris Pool, Parent Advocate
Andrea Thomas, Seven Circles Coalition
Karen Johnson, Too Good For Drugs Instructor, University of Alaska- Sitka Teacher
Melanie Reif, AOY Community Representative, Parent Advocate
Janie Proponoagh-Hogue, Sitka Prevention and Treatment Services
Grace Brooks, SAFV
Barb Morse, Big Brothers/Big Sisters Coordinator
Dyan Bessette, Neurodevelopmental Clinic Coordinator
Curt Ledford, Community Schools
John Holst, Citizen
Althea Buckingham, Commission on Health Needs and Community Services
Brent Cunningham, Young Life, Faith-based representative

“*” Meeting Attendees

Old Business

1. Approved minutes from December and January's Annual Retreat meetings.
2. Flexible Funding Account: A) Account balance- estimated between \$4-5,000 remaining, excluding new contributions this year that would put it over \$10,000; B) Follow up regarding letter requesting \$1,000 funding from community agencies for FY 03- Islands Counseling informed me that their board approved the donation.

3. "Sitka's Promise for our youth" interviews series update. Looking to interview all the providers who serve youth in the community. David/Dan Etulain

New Business:

1. Circles of Care- Ric Iannolino. An overview of regional project.
2. Agency News: Opportunity for providers and/or community members to update the group on new programs or staff, changes, grants, etc. (Ask to be put on list).
3. Next scheduled AOY meeting will be **March 6th at 1:30pm** at Centennial Hall.

*If you would like to be added to the email list let me know. If there are others that I may have missed on email list, please let me know. We want to continue to broaden community representation.

ADVANCING OUR YOUTH

VISION: AOY exists to promote a healthy community for the children, teens, families and citizens of Sitka

MISSION: AOY is committed to assist Sitka's children, teens, families and citizens to reach their potential by developing prevention and intervention strategies and integrating services.

GOAL ONE: Increase the use of evidence-based prevention and intervention activities to improve the lives of youth and their families.

Objectives:

- A. Identify evidenced-based prevention and intervention programs.
- B. Identify and obtain community and agency specific data.
- C. Identify and obtain agency unmet needs
- D. Enhance programs or strategies to meet identified youth and family needs.

GOAL TWO: Improve youth services by identifying and eliminating barriers to educational and human service programs.

Objectives:

- A. Identify barriers between youth and community resources.
- B. Increase collaboration amongst youth service agencies.
- C. Inform community of available resources.
- D. Reduce identified barriers to youth and family oriented services.

GOAL THREE: Decrease teenage substance abuse as compared to matched comparison data (Monitoring the Future).

Objectives:

- A. Increase bonding to community.
- B. Identify and reduce family management problems (domestic violence, child abuse and neglect, etc.).
- C. Increase academic achievement of Native students.
- D. Decrease the early initiation of problem behaviors in our youth.

***A detailed list of activities for each goal/objective are currently being developed or adapted to reflect thoughts and ideas from the annual AOY retreat in January 2003.**