



## El Cajon Collaborative Core Team Meeting Notes - January 18, 2011

*Meeting Purpose: To provide oversight and direction for the interagency partnerships and implementation of initiatives in the Collaborative.*

### I. Welcome & Sharing Positives

The group introduced themselves and shared a positive experience to start the meeting.

### II. Approval of November Meeting Notes

November meeting notes were reviewed and approved without any changes.

### III. Core Team Chair

Rosa Ana Lozada, current Core Team Chair has served her 2 year term and per the guidelines Steven Jellá, current Vice Chair will assume the Chair position (pending approval of the Executive Team). The issue was raised that both Walter, Chair of the Executive Team and Steve represent SDYS. However, Walter's term ends in June. The group did not see this as a conflict and everyone agreed that Steve would be a good candidate. Additionally, a new Vice Chair is needed, none of the meeting attendees volunteered and Lea agreed to send an email requesting volunteers.

As an additional note, Suzanne Moser noted that Jane Cruz Alfano would like to join the Core Team as a community member/parent/volunteer. Lea will follow-up with Jane.

### IV. Moving Forward with Strategic Planning

- As a follow up to the last Executive Team Meeting, Lori Beliveau agreed to forward Lea a copy of the Recreation Department survey that they will be using to assess public feedback about Park safety in El Cajon. The group reviewed the survey and felt that the overall focus was consistent with information the Collaborative wanted to know about the community. The Core Team asked if we could include one sentence on the survey; "What would make your neighborhood safer?" Lea will make the recommendation to the Recreation Department and report back next meeting.
- Discussion at the Executive Team meeting yielded the idea of doing a "scan" of our current projects/programs in the Collaborative that fall into the areas of public safety and youth. After discussion, it was recommended that Lea send an email to the Executive Team requesting a response to a question like: "What El Cajon programs does your agency have that impact the Collaborative's focus on public safety and youth?"
- After the "scan" is complete (hopefully by next meeting) the information will be reviewed to make recommendations on next steps.

### V. Updates

- East Region Collaborative Network (ERCN) the meeting is coming up this Thursday, January 20<sup>th</sup> and Lea will be attending.

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*Vision: Through our collaboration, El Cajon's children, youth and families are safe, empowered and thriving.*

*Mission: The El Cajon Collaborative builds relationships, leverages resources and promotes best practices to enhance the quality of life for children, youth and families in our community.*

- Community Services for Families (CSF) report on December, 2010 caseload and new cases was attached to the agenda.
- Grants/MOUs/Letters of Support
  - Lea is working on SANDAG outreach and asked for any ideas on where additional presentations/outreach may be done. A recommendation that transportation committees at the school districts may be a good place – Lea will follow-up.
  - Grossmont Health Care District grant was awarded November, 2010 and will begin this January (after the current grant runs out).

## **VI. Reports**

Newcomer Work Group – Lea noted that this group is working on an ESL class directory which is near completion. A copy of the draft was distributed for review. Upon completion of this target area, the team will be moving to discuss the next target area that they prioritized which is Parenting Classes.

## **VII. Other Announcements/Accomplishments**

Joe Eberstein of Institute for Public Strategies announced that the Walgreen's on Second Street in El Cajon was denied their license for beer and wine sales.

**Next Core Team Meeting February 15<sup>th</sup> at 8:30AM!**

### *Upcoming Meetings*

Executive Team: April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Finance Team: January 25<sup>th</sup>, 4-5pm

Council Meeting: February 1<sup>st</sup>, 12:30 – 2pm

Newcomer Support Work Group: February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10:30am-12pm