Quarterly Collaborative Meeting 11.23.21 at 1:00pm

Attendance: Tori Courter, Caroline Sabin, Donna Legas, Jen Skates, Bobbi Carpenter, Janet Livingston, Melissa Friedrich, Margot Dainowski

1. Review Annual Collaborative meeting; Yearly successes and Challenges, Community Response, Circle of Security Parenting and Local Prevention Strategies
2. Stakeholder Letter – several agencies have signed one
* Benefits: voice, input, free listing in directory, online traffic reports, shared communication, docu-sign, central navigation, collective impact
1. Gaps/Barriers
* Affordable Housing/Housing – F1P can provide rental assistance, Community Action Partnership, some new landlords coming to town and purchasing properties
* Home Repairs – Community Action Weatherization Program & LCCOC
* Housing Programs – Bridges Program and other resources through The Connection
* Resources for Homeless – The Connection
* Transportation – F1P can provide Gas Vouchers, Community Action – COVID related car repairs & car purchase ($1500.00) – another barrier is the new Public Transit system – Caroline to check in and see about The Cab service in North Platte
* Assistance for working families – F1P and Community Action
* Dental – F1P will have new Dental Funds available through the Medica Foundation beginning Jan 1
* Deposits – F1P is limited on assistance with deposits, Community Action Rapid Rehousing Program
* Handyman/Repair Person for in-home repairs – League of Human Dignity or Area Agency on Aging for qualifying individuals
* Support Groups – F1P continues to work on list through First Link
* Case Management – F1P refers to coaching supports for people of all aspects – F1P Coaches Google Drive
* Guardianship for individuals on a low budget – F1P assist on very limited basis – Caroline checking with GLFS
* Driving Education – inquire about potential services through MPCC
* Working with minority population/interpreters – encourage all agencies to have bilingual options for documents and information
* Childcare – C4k continues to work on the need for child care in our community – continue to see need for evenings and weekend child care in our community
* More parenting classes – Region II offers Circle of Security, - F1P sponsors Parent Pyramid classes (flyer included with minutes) – Brightcourse lessons available through F1P coaches
* Employment – reinforce the need for clients to WORK
* COVID19 Impact – ERA Funds available, Community Action
* Family Engagement continues to be a significant barrier

Other News:

* F1P in conversation about providing central navigation to Red Willow and surrounding counties

Next Meeting: February 22, 2021 1:00pm