Be Well Coalition Meeting Notes December 13, 2024 12:00 – 12:45

Attendees: Trisha Habeck, Lisa Gennings, Wendy Depina, Patty Cox, Betty Breen, Carol Stutzman, Katie Allen, Tina Wood, Jasmyne Bryant, Clay Wood, Becky Tinsley, Mandi Bryant, Chandra Ortiz

Introductions and an icebreaker were done. Katie announced that starting December 24 th , Wendy Depina will be on staff full-time! It's very exciting to see the growth of prevention in the county. The leadership team held its first meeting and will meet monthly. The group will be working on the overall strategy
SAPST (Substance Abuse Skills Practitioner Training) will be available in the Spring in Gillette. Staff is looking into leadership and coalition training also.
Workshops will be set up throughout the winter to work on our logic models and strategies for our focus areas (we completed youth alcohol prevention during our DFC work).
If any coalition member has a suggestion or desire for any specific training, please let Katie know.
Several outreach ideas were discussed. Staff will get information on the 100 Cups of Coffee activity to use. Chandra suggested hosting community cafes instead of "focus groups." Discussion held regarding how, when, and where to hold meetings in order to have youth involvement. Jake White of VIVE-18 will be in Crook County schools Jan 8-9. Wendy participated in a bootcamp from VIVE-18 and staff is hopeful these upcoming workshops will be the jump-start we need to get youth excited about prevention.
Several people selected Community Outreach as their interest area in the survey sent out recently. Katie will send out a doodle poll to get a group together on this topic. We have many great ideas, but we need a plan with details and goals in a strategic plan-like format so that we can focus and move forward in this area.
Great news from ONDCP – reauthorization bill to fund a 3 rd round of 5-year funding. Also, after the 1 st 5 years the match will stay at a \$ to \$ amount and the bill calls for an increase to \$150,000/year. The bill still is to be forwarded to the Senate with the hopes of it passing.
Wendy has been participating in LifeSkills training in the schools, as well as supporting Deputy Skeens with DARE in some of the schools.
The year-end financial report was submitted (for Federal Year $9/30/23 - 9/29/24$). We did not spend all of the \$125,000 awarded, the balance was moved into the current fiscal year. We drew \$54,308.08. We have a 100% match requirement and exceeded it with \$77,140.17 match. We are looking to utilize the rollover funds for training and programmatic costs.