

DIRECTOR'S UPDATE, OCTOBER 30 – NOVEMBER 26, 2002

Coordination of Services

- CCF staff attends meetings of JABA 2020, Prevention Coalition, Quality Community Council,
- CCF Intern completes brief inventory/survey of local “out of school” opportunities to identify current resources and needs for young people. Survey results to be compiled by mid-December.
- CCF provides data on local needs to Charlottesville City Schools for 21st Century application grant.
- City of Charlottesville Data Analysis Team completes mapping of 2001 indicators by neighborhood and prepares general recommendation for Strategy Team.
- National League of Cities' Audio conference on Out of School Youth held in CCF offices and attended by service providers.
- Ad-hoc work group reviewing the transition of students from expulsion back to community reviews City of Charlottesville and County of Albemarle codes of conduct and available options for expelled students.
- Juvenile Justice Coordinator hosts and facilitates the VAHLSO/VJCCCA Work Group meeting on 11/21 to develop lobbying strategy for the 2003 General Assembly.

Raising Awareness of Children and Family Issues

- Our Nation's Kids: Is Something Wrong?: forum occurred Nov. 2nd with community resource fair following event. Background info with charts of local statistics prepared by CCF. Forum materials prepared by CCF and MACAA in Spanish. Approximately 100 participants. Writing of report for public dissemination in process. Media coverage on “Our Nation's Kids” and *Stepping Stones* released to the press in *Daily Progress*, post-event article in *Cville*.
- Mailing sent and publicity developed for **December 10** Legislative Forum on Children and Families, 3:00 – 5:30 p.m. at the UVA School of Law. Legislative Forum planning group develops outline for questions to panelists, agenda, and background materials.
- Early childhood “Fast Facts” sheet completed for Partnership for Children training on November 12, 2002.

Administration/Research

- Meeting with CHS principal to discuss future use of Continuous Feedback System for capturing ongoing input from students, based on queries drafted to date. CCF Youth member and other CHS students to meet with CHS principal to discuss this semester.
- New IMC design for feedback system in testing phase.
- Director begins budget/application preparation for FY04 funding from City/County governments.
- Staff completes formatting of annual report, and write-up of an Executive Summary and “talking points” for Council and Board presentations December 2 and December 4th.
- CSA “Managing Growth” ad-hoc task force meets to develop strategies to improve efficiency and effectiveness of FAPT staffings.
- Staff reviews work group participation of each member to streamline effectiveness and capacity.

Work Groups

- **Agency Budget Review Team** – City/County budget applications due November 26, 2002 in CCF office. Staff to compile and distribute notebooks. Pilot site visits with five agencies completed, write-ups submitted for most. New team members recruited. Agency experts to be assigned and instructions provided at orientation meeting scheduled for December 6th.
- **Children Needing Extensive Services** – Roundtable discussion held on November 14 with human service providers to discuss local service options for children needing extensive services. Notes and recommendations forthcoming.

- **Community Needs Assessment-** Work group writing up results and scheduling focus groups for target populations and stakeholders to review and discuss questions/trends raised by survey. Martha Jefferson Hospital and Dr. Michael Dickens hosting a focus group of physicians. Other focus groups are being scheduled.
- **Family Violence Work Group** – Domestic Violence Sub-Committees identify local resources, develop work plan and identify best practices. Belmont pilot subcommittee submits \$5,000 grant proposal for community education/intensive identification and intervention protocol in Belmont as pilot for community wide effort; Child Abuse Prevention Sub-Committee receives overview of best practices and research from UVA Interns, and identifies future questions for investigation. Full Family Violence Work Group meeting planned for Wednesday, December 4.
- **Partnership for Children** – Training held on November 12th on “Healthy Families/Healthy Homes.” Survey on collaboration outcomes completed by Partners. City/County budget application submitted and signed by partner agencies. Demonstration of Washington County integrated intake and data collection system held for Partnership, juvenile justice agencies, and One-Stop providers at Albemarle County DSS upon invitation of Kathy Ralston. First Lady visits Healthy Families on November 19, 2002. Staff records 3rd series of public service announcements on parenting skills with Eure Communications.
- **Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee** – JJAC approves the Juvenile Court Survey Report with recommendations and the recommendations resulting from the JJAC Retreat held on 10/21.
- **Teen Pregnancy/STD Prevention Work Group** – Developed preliminary outreach and descriptive materials as foundation for resource development for continuation beyond October 2003. Strategic planning/fundraising sub-committee established.
- **Outcome Measurement Work Group** – Revised work plan. Team members agreed to report to CCF in January with summary of work and recommendations for future analysis of FY02 outcomes, informed by community needs assessment and *Stepping Stones* data. Planner makes presentation about outcome measurement to Charlottesville Police Officers Association.

CCF Work Plan

Upcoming strategic issues:

- Finalizing post-retreat discussion on CCF roles and priorities.