

DIRECTOR'S UPDATE---MAY 26, 2010-AUGUST 25, 2010

Coordination of Services

- Staff attended meetings of the Foothills Child Advocacy Center, Smart, Partnership for Children, Community Obesity Task Force, KidsWatch, Burnley-Moran and Greer School Case Management teams, Runaway Emergency Program and the Improved Pregnancy Outcomes Work Group, Reentry Council, Adult Mental Health Task Force, Westhaven Community Day Planning Committee, Masters of Public Health Advisory Board.
- The Safe Schools/Healthy Students Core Management Team has met monthly to plan for coordinated implementation of the grant. Director met with and continues to consult with leadership of the Community Obesity Task Force on development of a work plan. She attended two planning retreats and assisted with preparation of a grant proposal to the Virginia Foundation for Healthy Youth
- Director met with Christine Kastan, Virginia Cooperative Extension Agent.
- Director participated in planning for and writing the City of Charlottesville's Promise Neighborhoods grant proposal.
- Director co-facilitated community round-table on Promise Neighborhoods.
- Director attended meeting of youth development programs to discuss co-location possibilities for non-profits.
- Director met with Howard Olshanky, Executive Director of ARC of the Piedmont.
- Director met with one individual seeking human services employment in the area.
- At the request of the Charlottesville Redevelopment and Housing Authority and the Westhaven Nursing Clinic, a second meeting of organizations providing services in public housing facilities will be held on September 30 from 9:00-11:00 at the Boys and Girls Club on Cherry Avenue.

Raising Awareness of Children and Family Issues

- Logged just under 2,785 page views on www.ccfinfo.org in June, 2,305 page views in July and 1,199 through August 26, 2010. There were 22,606 documents downloaded from the CCF website from May 26 to August 25, 2010. Characteristics Of Juvenile Offenders Findings and Recommendations: 1997-1999 Risk and Need Study for the Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee of The Charlottesville/Albemarle Commission on Children and Families was the top download with 332 downloads, followed by the Characteristics of Juvenile Offenders, 1997-2000 Risk and Need Study for the Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee of the Charlottesville/Albemarle Commission on Children and Families and The Low-Cost or Free Summer Opportunities for Young People (Summer 2010) with 295 downloads and 219 respectively.
- 18 messages were posted to the CCF Listserv since May 26, 2010 and three new members have joined the list.
- CCF received one media hit.
- Director met with two interns interested in working with CCF

Administration/Research

- Director met with new Albemarle Youth Representative Amy Skolnick
- CCF has developed a work plan and convened a Steering Committee to develop recommendations for a human services funding prioritization. The first meeting is on September 8 at 9:00 am

- Staff completed transition of CSA Administration to the Departments of Social Services.
- CCF welcomes undergraduate intern, Erin Garratt, and community volunteer, Waverly Wood.
- Director participated in review of the County's External Performance Management Website.
- Three new Commissioners to welcome; Shealtiel Yarney, City Youth Representative, Jackie Bright, City of Charlottesville Citizen Representative, and Amy Skolnick, Albemarle County Youth Representative.

Work Groups

- **Agency Budget Review Team** –On hiatus until FY13 cycle.
- **Youth Development Network** – The YDN Website is almost complete and will be demonstrated at the September 1 CCF meeting. The next full meeting is on October 11 from 12-2 in Meeting Room A of the County Office Building-Fifth Street. The lunch meeting will feature testimonials from current and former participants in youth development programs. Waverly Wood will provide volunteer staff support.
- **Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee** – moved to Community Attention effective July 1.
- **Human Services Strategic Plan** – deferred
- **Prevention Coalition** – **disbanded July 1, 2010**
- **Partnership for Children** - Partnership for Children Coordinator, Lisa Godwin, resigned. Interviews for her replacement have been scheduled. The Partnership will enter into a strategic planning process in October 2010.
- **Task Force on Race Disparity and Disproportionality-** The Task Force has had ten meetings. A final report by University of Virginia student researchers has been completed, and the Task Force has developed recommendations in the areas child welfare and juvenile justice. In future meetings, the Task Force will work on recommendations related to health, mental health, and education.
- **Stepping Stones** – Michael Marquardt, UVA intern, has completed collecting information and analyzing for the 2010 publication of *Stepping Stones*. We are incorporating 12 new indicators from the Thomas Jefferson Area Health District MAPP – Community Health Status Assessment - publication into this year's *Stepping Stones*. The report is being formatted and will be presented to CCF in November.
- **Youth Service Work Group** – Disbanded July 1, 2010.
- **KidsWatch** – The work group is developing outcome indicators and will begin training staff and volunteers for in-school groups in October.

Status of CCF Grants:

1. Current grants

- **Safe Schools/Healthy Students** The almost \$6,000,000 grant was awarded effective July 1, 2009. All staff are hired and the program is fully functional.
- **Functional Family Therapy-** \$25,000 awarded for the fifth and final year. Provides training and purchase of services for evidence-based treatment for high risk youth and families.
- **Smart Beginnings:** The Smart Beginnings Continuation grant was awarded a \$100,000 challenge grant.
- **DCJS Afterschool Grant:** This three year grant funds an afterschool program for Stony Point Elementary students, opening on August 25. This \$75,000 per year

project is a partnership between Albemarle DSS, Albemarle Schools, CCF, the YMCA, and Broadus Memorial Baptist Church.

- **Bama Works Grant** – The Scholarship Committee was awarded the Bama Works Grant to fund Summer FUNd 2010.

2. Pending grants

- **US Department of Justice Children Exposed to Violence Demonstration Grant-** CCF submitted a \$160,000 Demonstration Grant with notification expected in October.
- **Safe Schools/Health Students Mentoring Grant-** Safe Schools and CCF staff are preparing a proposal for a \$300,000 mentoring grant for high risk children. Notification is expected before September.
- **America's Promise Neighborhoods-** Director provided technical assistance with this grant to the City of Charlottesville.
- **Project LAUNCH-** Director reviewed the Request for Proposals for this early childhood grant. Community partners decided to wait until 2011 to submit. Director will convene a planning team in September.