

## INTERIM DIRECTOR'S UPDATE--APRIL 22, 2006- MAY 25, 2006

### Coordination of Services

- Staff attended meetings of the Prevention Coalition, St. John the Baptist in the Woods Foundation, Creciendo Juntos, Best Practice Court meeting, and. JABA 2020 Steering Committee, UVA Job Fair
- Convened the first meeting of the Truancy Team on April 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Facilitated second "Directions" meeting between neighborhood-based and community non-profits to discuss collaboration and sharing of resources. Further meetings and expansion on group planned.
- Meeting with JABA 2020 Planner re collaboration.
- Meeting with Albemarle County school staff regarding mentoring.
- Quarterly meeting of Safe Schools/Healthy Students planning team. Over have of services identified during planning process are in some stage of implementation.

### Raising Awareness of Children and Family Issues

- Stay Active website was visited 218 times with almost 500 page views . The contest ended with 135 entries and the winner was a twelfth grader at Charlottesville High School.
- Logged over 2,250 page views on www.ccfinfo.org. Over 8,700 documents were downloaded from the CCF website. *Low cost Summer Activities for Young People* was the top download with over 320 downloads, *April 2006 Quarterly Report* was downloaded 120 times, and *Low-cost After School Activities* for elementary age youth was downloaded 105 times.
- Staff planning for Cultural Proficiency forum to be held in August.
- Coordination of August 15 Human Service Orientation for City and County school counselors, social workers, and nurses.

### Administration/Research

- Agency Budget Review Team schedule for FY08 drafted. Correspondence received from two agencies granted conditional funding.
- Interviewed and selected graduate student intern Erin Miga to work on evaluation of the Truancy Project, using Buffet Fund grant.
- Human Services Portfolio research underway; ninth meeting of advisory board held. Data collection completed and distributed to sources for review. Final report being completed.
- Staff submitted Department of Justice "Justice and Mental Health" grant proposal to plan for and implement mental health interventions for court involved youth with the objective of creating an assessment and stabilization facility.
- Three meetings with UVA faculty to discuss partnership opportunities.

### Work Groups

- **Agency Budget Review Team** – Technical assistance provided to two agencies preparing for FY08 process.

- **Assets for Youth** – Ongoing meetings with Teens Give, Urban Vision, CALM, City Schools and City Manager's office to plan for summer employment program. Intention is to have 3 FT youth and 15 interns with City and additional 12 youth placed with Chamber of Commerce members. Youth orientation week of June 26 followed by six week work program.
- **Comprehensive Services Act Committee** – Presented quarterly program update information to CCF members. Presented updated information on Cost Containment report recommendations. Met with DSS staffs to revise funding approval packets for July 1 implementation. Met with CCF staff to coordinate cultural proficiency training initiative. Continued plans for training of new CHINS truancy team and truancy officers. Developed materials for full CSA partner update sessions scheduled for May 30<sup>th</sup>. Attended training on *Domestic Violence and Substance Abuse: Risks and Responses* on May 17<sup>th</sup>. Participated in focus group for Albemarle County Department of Social Services on service improvements.
- **Family Violence Work Group** – Jennifer Kline hired as Foothills CAC Case Manager.. Planning begun for June 29 NetSmartz internet safety forum in collaboration with the Girl Scouts- Skyline Chapter
- **Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee** – Began to develop the implementation plan for the truancy, gang prevention and mental health objectives of the updated juvenile justice plan.
- **Partnership for Children-** - Created individual worksheets for each Partner agency to refine and report final data. Took part in a web conference on sustaining Home Visiting programs. Lead Executive Committee, Data management and Early intervention workgroups.
- **Youth Service** Second annual Celebration of Youth Service held on May 1<sup>st</sup> in the Charlottesville Pavilion. Nine high school students honored for service. Service Site survey developed and distributed to community agencies/projects who are using or would be good "fits" for youth service opportunities. Data will be compiled this summer and data base developed with list of service sites who want to or do use youth in service opportunities. Student marketing group at AHS working with work group to develop marketing strategy to get students involved with service opportunities.