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Racial Equity and Social Justice Action Team

September 12, 2018 12:30 P.M.

Minutes

Attendees: Michael Ballen, Verna P. Best, Nikki Lyons, Shelia Reich, Hannah Taylor, Lorna Wesley Parker

- Wake County Reentry Council Meeting
 - Working to comply with Department of Public Safety
 - Trying to identify clients before they are released, how to implement programming to catch people before and as they are released
 - Established subgroups based on issues (employment, housing, etc.)
 - What are the results of this effort?
 - Working to coordinate and figure out how to do the work, establish structure, procedure, accountability and priorities
 - 9/18/18 is next meeting
- Toiletry Drive
 - Some donated directly at Crosby, many donations given directly to Bernadine Walden
 - Can we quantify the amount of toiletries donated due to flyer distributed?
 - Action Item – Nikki Lyons to follow up with Bernadine Walden
- Supporting re-entry at Crosby-Garfield Center
 - Returning citizens who have skills such as catering or cleaning could provide services at Crosby, use Crosby as a space to give people opportunity and validate their skills
 - FRCSA interested in doing intake at Crosby and other “community-friendly” spaces
 - Possibility to incorporate efforts stated above with other programming at Crosby such as life-coaching or nutrition education
 - Only potential barrier is that children also use Crosby so depending on the offense someone individuals may not be able to access services at Crosby
- CAG Executive Team
 - CAG has been working since 2014, coordinate services for the Crosby/Southeast Raleigh community
 - Amplify community voice and support work and operations of the CAG through an Executive Team
 - Elections on Thursday 9/20 at Residents meeting, dinner at 6:00, elections start at 6:30
 - Current co-chairs remain in place, available positions are treasurer, parliamentarian, secretary, and four community residents
 - Will work to establish goals and vision, facilitate work between monthly CAG meetings
- Ligon Middle School Event
 - Nikki still working to identify a point of contact
 - Provide community supports to Ligon students (connect with resources, tutoring, address challenges to families)
 - Resilience/ACEs
- Announcements

- Restorative Discipline + Upcoming Community Info Session (Rescheduled to 10/25 7:00-8:30 pm at Greater Love Church, 2421 Timber Dr)
- Working to have DPS DMC present at CAG
- Continue to promote toiletry drive
- Minutes approved

Next meeting: October 10, 2018 12:30 P.M.