

CFCH Youth Workgroup

05/12/2020

Workgroup Updates:

Youth Action Society-

- Had a meeting last Saturday
 - Discussed how to get needed resources to homeless teens and youth
 - PPE
 - PPE will allow for safer panhandling
- Have seen new homeless youth
- How should YAS distribute resources?
 - Anthony and George will distribute PPE resources directly to homeless youth
 - They will get in contact with Rashad Haynes
- YAS also discussed the need for more food resources

DCF- Tina Morgan

- Good on PPE
- Discussed the forecast for reopening
- Has seen an increase in both substance use and domestic violence
- Also has seen an increase in applications for benefits

Zebra Coalition- Brett Burlone

- Counseling services are being done via telehealth
 - Only for those who were pre-registered
- Drop in services are available Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 3 to 5 pm

2nd Harvest Food Bank- Kate Demory

- Just recently finished Orange County food drive- Delivered 61,000 meals
 - Now focusing on areas that had the highest responses
 - 24-48 hr response time
- Todd Carr will connect 2nd Harvest with UAP for food storage

Covenant House

- Still working on Transition housing with CES
- Drop-in center is temporarily closed

Career Source

- Career source is operating virtually, planning on returning to office by end of May
- Summer program is still scheduled, albeit scaled back
- Any organization open to interns should contact Career Source

Embrace Families

- Good on PPE
- DCF donated 50 laptops
 - Distributed to children so that they can continue their schoolwork online
- Still operating remotely
- Trying to stabilize youth exiting foster system
 - Delivered care packages
- Public Allies is now accepting applicants for this year's program
 - There are 6 spots left for organizations

Faine House

- Good on PPE
- Implemented new policy due to COVID: Persons leaving cannot return for the rest of the shelter order
- Training residents on how to use online conferencing tools
- Working on clearance for new residents

OCPS

- Grab and go food sites in operation
 - Can see site locations at OCPS.net
- Hotel drop-offs will continue until end of school year
 - OBT and Lee Rd: 5 weeks, 500 kids per day
- OCPS Supports: tinyurl.com/OCPSsupports

One Orlando Alliance

- County buildings open at 25% capacity
- Warley Park move
 - Transitioning families to placement
 - May need PPE for move

Discussion

- Anthony from YAS asks Covenant House if there are new procedures for intake
 - Covenant House still operating under same intake procedures
 - Emergency overnight still available
- Anthony also mentions that he is seeing more homeless youth
 - Also reports more youth homeless encounters with OPD
 - Has a video with and OPD officer kicking a homeless youth awake
- Brian Postlewait asks, with more COVID relief funds coming in, how do we target these sub-populations, like youth?

CFCH Youth Workgroup ends at 2pm.