## **Monthly Committee Recording Tool**



Meeting Date: January 8, 2015 Committee Name: Mental Health

Committee Co-Chairs: Betsy Pfromm & Dr. Jack Barbour

Second District Staff: Kathleen Austria

Recorder: César Portillo

### Please attach a copy of the sign-in sheet.

# Discussion notes (include topics of interest, review of old business, and presentation notes, if applicable):

- 1. Empowerment Congress Summit: Saturday, January 17th at USC
  - a. "Defining and Developing a Community Plan for Diversion" Workshop with Public Safety & Justice Committee:
    - i. Update from 12/30/2014 Meeting
      - 1. Mental Health Committee leadership met with Public Safety & Justice Committee leadership to discuss the speakers, logistics, volunteers, outreach, etc.
      - 2. We may consider having a follow-up meeting with the Public Safety & Justice Committee on diversion.
    - ii. Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas' Statement on Diversion
      - 1. Committee members received a copy of this statement.
      - 2. Committee members received a copy of a 10/7/2014 County motion to create a Jails Special Counsel Unit.
      - 3. Committee members received a copy of a 11/5/2014 County motion to create the Jails Special Counsel Unit within the County Counsel's office.
  - b. Volunteers for the Workshop
    - i. Volunteers for each area were confirmed.
    - ii. More information will be distributed through email.
  - c. Outreach, including 25+ passenger bus?
    - i. Possible organizations that could help with outreach include SCHARP, Kedren, ACOF, UMMA, SSG, and LACGC.
    - ii. Committee members picked up fliers for distribution.
    - iii. LACGC can provide free parking at its Exposition Park Office for committee members; an email and map will be distributed
- 2. Discussion on County's Consolidated Health Agency Proposal
  - a. Committee members received a copy of a 1/13/2015 County motion to consolidate DHS, DMH, and DPH into one health agency.
  - b. The committee discussed the impact of having a consolidated health agency.
- 3. Mental Health Committee Work Plan 2014-2015
  - a. South LA Trauma-Informed Community Initiative Convening
    - i. The committee tabled this item.

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- b. White Paper
  - i. The committee will either discuss or consolidate this item at a future meeting.
- c. Housing
  - i. The committee may catalogue discussion points for this item.
- 4. Next Committee Meeting: Thursday, February 5<sup>th</sup> at noon
- 5. Follow-up Items
  - a. César will email volunteer information to the summit workshop volunteers.
  - b. César will email parking information to the committee members.

### **Announcements:**

- 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Celebration Jan. 19
- Mental Health First Aid Jan. 23 & Jan. 30
- Black Los Angeles County Client Coalition, Inc.

## **Next Steps:**

Action Item	Person(s) Responsible	<b>Due Date</b>	Comments
Email Volunteer Information to the Summit Workshop Volunteers	César	Jan. 16	
Email Parking Information to the Committee Members	César	Jan. 16	