



Upcoming Webinar "Youth in MCB" Regional Meetings and More.....



"Strengthening Your Communities"

MCB 2017 Regional Meetings

*****Meetings are open to anyone*****

Workshop Goals: provide participants with an opportunity to:

- start an inventory of their current organizational practices
- do a self-assessment of their strengths as well as areas of potential improvement
- and leave the session with an initial draft plan they have created on next steps to increase their organization's capacity

<p>May 3, 2017 Poplar Bluff 1:30-4:30pm 3019 Fair St Poplar Bluff, MO 63901</p>	<p>May 10, 2017 Perry 1:30- 4:30pm 42494 Delaware Ln. Perry, MO 63462</p>
<p>May 24, 2017 St. James 1:30-4:30pm 4 Industrial Drive</p>	<p>May 25, 2017 Trenton 1:30-4:30pm 1104 Main</p>



St. James, MO 65559	Trenton, MO 64683
May 30, 2017 Reeds Spring 1:30-4:30pm 22595 Main St. Reeds Spring, MO 65737	May 31, 2017- Concordia 1:30-4:30pm 802 S. Gordon St. Concordia, MO 64020



Agenda

- **1:30 - 2:00 p.m.** Introductions
- **2:00 - 2:30 p.m.** What is your current capacity?
- **2:30 - 2:40 p.m.** Break
- **2:40 - 3:10** Who do you partner with?

Complete collaboration worksheets, discussion among participants, use guided journal to highlight additional opportunities/partners

- **3:10 - 3:40** What are your current funding sources?
- **3:40 - 3:50** Break
- **3:50 - 4:20** Who will write your grants?
- **4:20 - 4:30** Wrap-up, evaluation, future suggestions

**RSVP Deadline one week before each meeting to
Teresa@MOCommunityBetterment.com or 660.383.1034**

Youth Civic Leaders Summit



MCB Youth and Missouri 4-H

160 teens and adult leaders participated in YCLS March 3-5 at Windermere Conference Center near Camdenton.



MCB Youth Advisory Board

The MCB Youth Advisory Board facilitated the event as hosts. They were involved in planning the event as well as introducing speakers and leading group participation.



Tennessee 4-H

Two teams from Tennessee 4-H served as guest speakers allowing youth to collaborate both locally and through extended efforts.

Missouri Community Betterment teens and adults were among 160 leaders of all ages who participated in the 2017 Missouri Youth Civic Leaders Summit, "More Than MAGIC!" at Windermere Conference Center, March 3-5 near Camdenton. The weekend summit brought together students and adult leaders representing 4-H clubs and community betterment programs from 24 Missouri counties. Two teams representing Tennessee 4-H also attended as guest presenters.

Steve Hennes (University of Missouri Extension 4-H) and Teresa Keller (Missouri Community Betterment), co-organizers of the summit, say the goal is to support leaders of all ages in discovering their strengths as individuals and teams, and to motivate action and growth in communities where the "magic" really happens.

Sarah Townley (Missouri State 4-H Council President) and Kylee Sexton (MCB Youth Advisory Board President) kicked off the weekend encouraging teens to grow their leadership skills and expand their networks. Teams displayed posters on a variety of community projects they completed in 2016.

MCB Youth Advisory Board and Livingston County 4-H teens served as host teams for the weekend, leading activities for attendees to meet, mix, and apply their leadership strengths.

Bill Cordes, "YOGOWYPI" speaker, led participants to see "you only get out what you put in" and challenged attendees to lead with courage and to seize the opportunities right before their eyes.

Dr. Jim Spain, Vice Provost for Undergraduate Studies and e-Learning at the University of Missouri, led attendees in identifying their strengths, and drawing inspiration from famous Missourians and their contributions to the world through education, research, innovation, and public service.

Josh Sundquist, Paralympian, cancer survivor and motivational speaker, challenged attendees to confront life adversity with humor and adaptability, and to reach for lifelong goals with a "magical" spirit of passion and persistence.

Summiteers attended workshops on leadership, service-learning, civic education, and civic engagement. They completed on-site service projects, including painting, trails, and ground maintenance, contributing volunteer time valued at over \$5,000. Participants strengthened teamwork and stretched their personal limits at the EDGE Challenge Course. Teams presented group skits at an evening talent showcase emceed by collegiate 4-H members. Students also learned about leadership trips and conferences at an opportunity fair, and cast votes in mock election of legislative bills currently under debate by the Missouri General Assembly.

On Sunday, youth and adult teams planned community action projects and took first steps to apply for mini-seed grant funding to implement their ideas in 2017. MCB youth groups will receive an additional \$200 grant match to apply to their projects. At the end of the weekend, one student said, "It really came together - speakers, action planning, activities - all shared the same message, It is magical!"



Webinar "Youth in MCB"

Join us to learn how you can recognize, support and award youth involved in community development in your area.

Date: April 5, 2017

Time: 6:00-7:00 pm

Available to MCB all communities.

Facilitated by:

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Steve Henness - 4-H

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Facebook Survey

As you may know, Missouri Community Betterment is partially funded through NAP (Neighborhood Assistance Plan) Tax Credits. We are gearing up to submit another 3 year NAP application and would appreciate your assistance in providing useful data to strengthen our submittal.

You can click on the Facebook link above or wait to receive an e-mail soon from SurveyMonkey requesting your input. It consists of 4 questions and will only take a minute of your time. We thank you for your time!