## **Glove City Coalition Minutes**

## Date: Thursday, March 21, 2024

## 11:00 am, Gloversville Public Library and via Zoom

Promoting healthy futures through collaboration and education. GCC strives to reduce youth substance use by engaging and supporting the community through education and collaboration to promote and sustain healthy lifestyles.

ATTENDANCE: AJ Bryk, FCYMCA Residence; Bonnie Peck, Glove City Coalition; Joyce Royal, North Main St. United Methodist Church; Alex Mosher, MHA; Ginger Cato, The Recovery Center; Gwen Ossenkop, Montgomery County CARES; Jennifer Stiletto Smith, Community Engagement Partnership Coordinator, Stratton VAMC Gambling; Danielle Hosselman, CAPTAIN; Kathy Stangle, Fulmont Head Start; Cara Rosebeck, Mothers Against Drunk Driving; Liane Espino, Planned Parenthood Johnstown; Jenise Tirado, Fidelis; Christina Bridge, FC Public Health; Katie Bruno, The Recovery Center; Mackenzie Makarowsky, Catholic Charities Advancing Tobacco Free Communities; Tina Morey, Survivor Support Services-Planned Parenthood of Greater NY; Shannon Endsley-Barowski, Prevention Connection; Brenda Hansson,

Carolyn Peck, GCYC/HFM Prevention Council; Val Acklin, GPL; Christine Stegel, UCC;

TOPIC	DISCUSSION
Welcome new members	Ginger Cato
Note Taker:	AJ Bryk
Spotlight Speaker	No spotlight speaker today.
Old Business	
Approval of February minutes	Ginger Cato – Approved as written (Joyce Royal, Christina Bridge)
Action teams	Parent Café: Had 2 <sup>nd</sup> Parent Café on 3/5/24, speaker Crystal Davis came – 2 parents did come, invited Bonnie to PTA meeting to talk about trying to advertise and making the Café more successful; next Café on 4/1/24 is cancelled-TBD for May dependent on PTA meeting and planning
OD Mapping Update	Jan 1 <sup>st</sup> – March 21 <sup>st</sup> – 4 fatal ODs, 14 suspected ODs in Fulton County, provided by Sally Baker, all data is taken from entities who are required to report. Ginger reports other ODs made aware from the community that were actually brought to different counties. Recovery Center noticing many other reported ODs that are not being reported to GPD, EMTs, or ERs. Fentanyl is abundant in many other substances besides heroin, including crack/cocaine, marijuana, etc. Compared to

February's report, there has been a big jump. In 2023, there were 14 fatal ODs for the entire year in Fulton County.

Glove City Pride (Val) – difficult finding supports for the  $3^{\rm rd}$  annual Pride event, leaning towards not having one this year and regroup next year unless there are volunteers and supports soon (event takes place in a couple weeks normally)

If anyone knows of people who would be interested reach out to Val at GPL (email sent in the GCC group and Zoom chat)

Neighborhood Engagement – Brenda sending an email regarding a meeting towards engagement in the community and how we can grow

Ginger – note takers needed for the next few months

April: Gwen O May: Katie Bruno June: Brenda Hansson

No meeting in July - no note taker needed

August: Kathy Stangle

Need nominees for chair and vice chair for GCC – voting is in May 2024

Spotlight Speakers needed for upcoming months

April: Lisa Cimo

May:

June: Kathy Stangle

July: No meeting, no spotlight speaker needed

August: October: November:

## **Coalition updates**

GPD

No one present from GPD

**GESD** 

No updates from GESD

City of Gloversville City is writing a new ordinance where smoke shops can open, restricting them proximity wise away from areas with kids (schools, playgrounds, youth centers, daycares, etc.) Also looking into limiting the area for a cannabis dispensary if one is introduced to the city Moratorium on vape shops extended Mayor, Clerk, Code enforcer all present in meetings to push policy Affects shops that sell over 25% of their revenue on tobacco and vape items State law: You cannot advertise tobacco and vape products within 50 feet of a school GCC Media & Publicity Committee They had a small meeting on 3/8 to discuss upcoming activities. From 1/26 - 3/12 GCC is running PSA ads on KissFM done by the Youth Coalition. Billboards are located on the corner of Fulton and Cayadetta regarding "Legal Doesn't Mean Safe." Designs were looked at for May-July regarding safe "parties," focusing on graduation and prom parties. "Thank Yous" were placed in the newspaper for alcohol retail compliance checks for all businesses that pass. An ad will go into the paper regarding Fulton County Youth Day. Committee is looking for someone to write "Letters to the Editor" about alcohol and vaping awareness for our Youth. **Youth Coalition** Chose sticker designs and plan on going to 4 alcohol retailers to carry out Sticker Shock Project in April. Also working on "No One Eats Alone" day, which will happen in May. **Fulton County Youth Day** We will be having a design contest for HS students throughout the county to design a logo for FC Youth Day. Deadline will be in May. Event will take place on July 17th, with a rain date of July 18th. Still looking for organizations to set up tables and

carnival games as well as info. We will have a blow up obstacle course, tent, food, cornhole tournament, team building games,

Sustainability/Fundraising	a DJ, and more. We are still looking for donations from the community. Next meeting is April 11 <sup>th</sup> at 2:30pm at the FC Office of the Aging and via Zoom.  Bonnie has order forms for Scentsy available, money to support efforts of the Youth Coalition. Fragrance Flower orders due by April 19 <sup>th</sup> . Paint-n-Snack of flowers is on May 8 <sup>th</sup> from 5:30PM – 7PM at the Middle School. Received Communities Talk Stipend of \$750 to do Prevention in Act-ion this year. It will take place on September 7 <sup>th</sup> at the Glove Theatre. We are writing a grant for Drug Free Communities years 6-10, this is due on April 17 <sup>th</sup> .
New Business WIFM and meeting members needs	Bonnie – Why is everyone apart of this Coalition?  – All local coalitions get along so well and communicate well to make the community a lot stronger  – By putting in good work to try and reduce substance use in youth, hopefully they will not be seen in bad situations as adults; We are all working together for the same reasons  – Resources, networking, getting new contacts and we are all here for the same reasons  – Many people who call the church have no clue where to go for assistance on things; Coalition involvement makes these questions much easier to answer especially for youth in need  – Being able to help each other with anything needed including referrals and connections
Connector Device of Comment	Active shooter trainings? – will inquire with Chief Garavelli  Coalition members survey Paper survey or online? –We would like it to stay as
Capacity Rating Survey	anonymous as possible, takes 5-10 minutes Consensus is online through SurveyMonkey

	147 people on Coalition email list
Community Action Activity	Bonnie – What are the community needs? What current partners can help us meet these needs? Who do we need to recruit to the Coalition to help address these needs? Set up a separate meeting
Resilience and Thriving Training	Gwen – April 9 <sup>th</sup> training at Alan House (FMCC) In person training from 10AM – 12PM To promote a healthy workplace environment and feel empowered; how to take care of yourself
Next Meeting: April 18, 11am Location: Gloversville Library Note Taker: Gwen O Spotlight Speaker: Lisa Cimo/Healthy Families of New York Member Reports:	