



Meeting Minutes
September 11, 2024
11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Yuma Main Library

Attendees:

Sector	Member Name/Title	Organization Name
YCADC	Joanne Fiser	Executive Director YCADC
Government	Ryan Butcher	Yuma County Health District
Other	Pepper Mellon	RL Jones Insurance
Substance Use Organization	Berenice Ortiz	TLCR
Substance Use Organization	Tim Collins	TLCR
Substance Use Organization	Carlos Flores	TLCR
Law Enforcement/Federal Govt	Jacob Weitzman	Homeland Security Investigations
Substance Use Organization	Annette Pappan	TLCR
Substance Use Organization	Matthew Pappan	Victory Homes
Law Enforcement	Oscar Morales	USBP Yuma Sector Chaplain
Social Service Organization	Claudia Campos	Hug of Hope
Federal Government/ military	Aimee Zaja	MCAS Yuma
Schools	Kelly Dale	YUHSD
Faith Based Organization	Heather Holiman	Yuma Christian Academy
Health Care Organization	Lisa Brazeel	Exceptional Community Hospital
Federal Govt/military	Jonathan Rodgers	MCAS Yums
Schools	Ulises Torres	YUHSD
Substance Use Organization	Leif Erickson	Community Medical Services
Substance Use Organization	Marissela Sanchez	Community Medical Services
Tribal Organization	Sam Tone	Quechan Victim Advocate
Parent/ Community Advocate	Ginny Legros	Parent
Federal Government	Virgil Tapisipan	MCAS/DDRC
Tribal Organization	Tricia Chamberlain	HIS
Other- Community Group	Robyn Deter	Yuma Coyotes Youth Sports Leagues
Health Care Organization	Dennice Alia	Exception Community Hospital
Other	Natalia Rosas-Marquez	Yuma Teen Delegate- Yuma County
Other- Community Group	Crystal Cuellar	Yuma Coyotes Youth Sports Leagues
Military	William Lloyd	YPG
Community Advocate	Glenn Dahin	Retired homeland security-
Substance Use Organization	John Abarca	Community Bridges
Schools	Henry Gonzalez	YUHSD
Substance Use Organization	Reyes Moreno	Hope, Inc

Media	Jennifer Blackwell	Z93/ Outlaw Country
Media	Theresa Staub	Z93/Outlaw Country
Substance Use Organization	Jose Vidal	Crossroads Mission
Other- Community Group	Elizabeth Valenzuela	Yuma Coyotes Youth Sports League
Other- Community Group	Shauna Wells	Yuma Coyotes Youth Sports League
Behavioral Health	Keith Francis Jr.	AZCH
Yuma County Govt	Stevie Seale	Parent/ advocate
Schools	Yescina Cuming	YUHSD
Business	Cori Rico	Gowan Company
Healthcare Organization	Jordin Aguilar	YRMC Behavioral Health

Welcome and Introductions

- JoAnn called the meeting to order at 11:35 a.m.

Approval of June Meeting Minutes

- Ryan motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by Virgil. Minutes were approved.

Introductions and Agency Updates

Attendees introduced themselves and provided updates:

- Jennifer Blackwell & Teresa: Running a campaign focused on fentanyl awareness.
- Lisa Brazeel: Free drive-through lunch on October 19th at Exceptional celebrating 2 years. Follow on Facebook for updates.
- Matthew Papaan: Victory Outreach.
- Annette: Transitional living center.
- Claudia: Hug of Hope.
- Heather: Principal at Christian Academy, current foster parent and has cared for 17 children in the system.
- Berenice Ortiz: Hosting a Halloween event at Carver Park on October 31st with 13-14 agencies involved.
- Robyn / Yuma Coyotes Group: Thankful for partnership with Coalition and bringing awareness to community
- Crystal Cuellar: Cheer Coyotes
- Elizabeth Valenzuela- Coyotes football program
- Jose Vidal: Social Worker at Gila Ridge planning a mental health fair.
- Kelly Dale: Cibola High School
- Oscar Morales: Chaplain, Yuma Sector Border Patrol.
- Stevie Seale: Works at County Assessors- connected with Nova Home Loans and parent/community advocate
- Keith Frances: Arizona Complete Health, offering crisis services and distributing crisis cards.
- Quechan DV Program: Two representatives present.
- Jordin Aguilar: YRMC Behavioral Center, managing inpatient programs and two mental health programs.
- Safe House:
 - Hosting the 4th annual Candlelight Vigil on October 3rd at Busch Masters.

- Dia de los Muertos altar event.
 - Cafecito event honoring loved ones who passed.
- Ryan Butcher: Communications and Naloxone distribution.
 - Partnering with the Health District to offer Naloxone through a program under the Overdose Data to Action grant (Year 2), including education and collaboration with local agencies.
- Ginny Legros: Yuma County Mental Health Coalition- retired counselor and running for YUHSD School Board.
- Pepper Mellon: RL Jones.
- Beau Gonzalez: Yuma Union High School District (YUHSD).

Executive Director Updates:

- Red Ribbon Week (October 23):
 - Partnering with four elementary schools and all high schools.
 - Secured seven speakers.
 - Distributing balloon kits for a giant red ribbon display.
 - Collaborating with Isa Tydingco (Cibola student running for Miss Yuma County Teen) on a teen substance use platform.
- Crime Causation and Youth Activities: Youth engaging in pro-social activities are less likely to engage in damaging behaviors.
- Upcoming Events:
 - Health Fair in Walmart (contact: Daisy Cortez).
 - Recognizing Homeland Security on the upcoming radio show.
- **Henry Gonzalez Presented and Questions/Concerns session with participants:**
 - Topic: The rise of fentanyl in Arizona.
 - Discussed social workers and school security, Narcan availability, and partnerships with behavioral health organizations.
 - Suggested holding assemblies and activities to engage students on substance abuse topics.
 - Anonymous Reporting: Implementing an anonymous app for reporting bullying, drug use, and violence in schools. Jennifer Blackwell asked about that process to share with community.
 - Vaping Awareness: Partnering with the Health Department on vaping dangers.
 - Strategies for Success Program: Provides school continuation options with social work and mental health support.
 - Discussed challenges with providing services for students with private insurance and transportation issues for those attending the program.

Additional Updates:

- Virgil: Embedded counselors in middle schools for military dependents.
- Tricia Chamberlin: CEO of Fort Yuma Indian Health Care Center:
 - Opening public affairs and social work positions.
 - Providing services through their Behavioral Health Program with funding for those without insurance.
 - Partnering to offer services and streamline referrals.
 - Talked about how better to serve their schools and community population as most services are provided onsite.

Good of the Order: None

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 12:43 p.m.

Next Meetings:

- YCADC: October 8, 2024, at 11:30 a.m. @ Yuma Union High School District
- Community CARES Conversations: October 8, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. (Yuma Union High School District

Vision: The victimization caused by the misuse and abuse of alcohol, marijuana, tobacco, prescription and other drugs will be eliminated from the Yuma County by the community members.

Mission: To eradicate the misuse and abuse of alcohol, marijuana, tobacco, prescription and other drugs in Yuma County

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