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| Facilitator: | | DL McKinney | | | | | | |
| Meeting Attendees: | | DL McKinney, Becky Diffin, Kendra Avila, Ben Kaiser, Noelia Garcia, Li Kaplan, Regina Archie, Stephanie Meyers, Anna Diaz  Staff: Courtney Myers-Keaton, Brianne Czyzio Robach | | | | | | |
| Time Convened: | | 9:04 | | Time Adjourned: | | | 10:15 | |
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| **Introductions** | | | |  | | | | |
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| **Review of Agenda** | | |  | | | | | |
| Discussion |  | | | | | | | |
| Amendments | None | | | | | | | |
| **VOYC/Awareness Update** | | | |  | | | | |
| Discussion | | | | | | | | |
| There has been a shift in the structure and focus on this project given COVID-19. VOYC is now the Kent County Homeless Youth Resources Awareness Project. Alongside a resources project, they received a grant for social media outreach and focus groups with youth. Focus groups are taking place within the next few months. They are hoping for representation from throughout Kent County, if there are youth who may be interested in being involved, please reach out to Kendra and Joe. The group is in conversation regarding logistics for these focus groups. They also will be attending Arbor Circle townhall to connect with attendees. | | | | | | | | |
| Action Items | | | | | Person Responsible | | | Deadline |
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| **Youth Functional Zero List** | | | |  | | | | |
| Discussion | | | | | | | | |
| TSA was not in attendance to share an update. The group previously discussed viewing the numbers weekly via email. Courtney will connect with HAP regarding sharing numbers. | | | | | | | | |
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| **Community Partner Updates** | | | |  | | | | |
| Discussion | | | | | | | | |
| **Network180** – expanded services to include mental health treatment for mild to moderate metal health for children, youth, families, and adults.  **KCCA** – community members can access a Q box/Care Pac with hygiene products and food. To access, call 616-632-7950, email [KCCAinfo@kentcountymi.gov](mailto:KCCAinfo@kentcountymi.gov) or apply through MIbridges.  **A Mothers Touch** – they provide transitional housing for young mothers with children up to the age of 5. Not sure if they connect with the CE system. Contact: 616.259.0461 Email: [a.mothers.touch1111@gmail.com](mailto:a.mothers.touch1111@gmail.com)  **Arbor Circle** – They have an upcoming townhall on September 10th for the community to learn more about youth homelessness and how agencies can engage with this topic. They would love to connect with any agencies interested. Meeting on Thursday at 1:00pm to finalize logistics.  **HQ** – They are engaging with census activities and hosting an event on Monday 12-4:30 to encourage folks to fill out the census. Members will be able to design a custom t-shirt  **Community Rebuilders** – Community Housing Connect is available for individuals and families with dependent children who are homeless or unstably housed. This platform allows for quick assessment and scheduling with a supportive solutions specialist. The site is available at: [communityhousingconnect.org](https://www.communityhousingconnect.org/). This connects referrals to the CE system.  **Foster to Independence Youth Vouchers** – staff will be sharing more information from GRHC as it is available.  **Point-in-Time Count**: There have been conversations around a summer point-in-time count. Courtney will be connecting with Youth Committee around planning to ensure that youth are represented and engaged with this count. Planning meeting on Tuesday, 9/1 at 1:00pm. | | | | | | | | |
| **Adjournment** | | | |  | | | | |
| Motion by: | Kendra Avila | | Second: | | | Regina Archie | | |