

# **General Meeting Minutes**

Kings County Behavioral Health - Hope Conference Room

Meeting called to order by Debbie Grice at 1:06 pm.

#### Quorum not achieve.

## Welcome & introductions:

- Those present introduced themselves with 28 people in attendance.
- Shelley Griffin shared that she would be retiring from the military and resigning as Executive Secretary for KPFP.

#### Introduction of new board members:

- Val Ferrel from WestCare
- Darcy Pickens from Environmental Health
- There are still several Board Member vacancies that need to be filled, if you are interested. Also if you are aware of a partnership that KPFP needs to make, please let Julie or Debbie know.

KPFP Website Resource list (handout) – Resource list still needs program information for the KPFP website and will be updated as needed. The information is organized by the prevention effort for Kings County, targeting the 7 Priority Areas.

# Strategic plan implementation work groups:

- All members are encouraged to sign up for one or more work groups & can do so on the KPFP website
- Work groups involve several conference calls & 1 face to face meeting to develop an implementation plan
- At stage 4 of the process

#### **Proposed MOU with Central Californian Asthma Collaborative** (handout), Speaker: Destiny

- The MOU with the Asthma Coalition is to engage & promote Healthy Air Living Schools (HALS) program as it has transitioned from the flags to the RealTime Air Advisory Network (RAAN) program.
- Requesting support from KPFP to share information at Health Fairs promoting HALS with materials provided, such as brochures in English and Spanish, slap bands, and pencils. The materials can be stored at the Health Department. Contact Debbie Grice or Pam Kirchert for the available materials.
- RealTime Air Advisory Network (RAAN) offers notification by electronics every hour when valley air levels become unhealthy, and again when the air is healthy. It is free and simple to use. Anyone can sign up to receive the notifications. CCAC also offers suggested Guidelines for schools, so they know what to do for physical activities in regards to levels for air pollution and also offers alternative indoor activities for students K-8.
- The flag program has been in existence for about 10 years and has been very popular, especially since asthma is a big challenge for many children here in the valley. It is okay to continue using the flags.
- Another component of the Program is Promoting 'No Idling' with signs to the schools to encourage parents to turn off their cars while waiting for kids.
- They are also looking at marquees for schools to replace the visual of the flags. Still in the first stages with billboard surveys, collecting the information to give to the Air District as they are funding the program. Stage 2 will be revamping available school marquees. Stages 3 and 4 will revamp the manual marquees and the last stage will upgrade school without marquees.
- Question: Because various agencies are a part of the non-profit KPFP collaborative, will MOUs and LOAs need to be signed? The Executive Board will address the issue and check with County Counsel.
- There is an Ap available for i-phones to receive RAAN as an email or text message, putting self as provider. It is free. San Joaquin Valley Pollution Control/ Valley Air.org.
- MOU to be reviewed by county counsel before voting on it. Also the KPFP By-Laws will be reviewed addressing MOUs and LOAs.



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## **Member Presentations:**

Environmental health presentation by Darcy Pickens, Kings County Health Department (EHS booklet tells more the division)

The Division of Environmental Health Services is one of four divisions of the Kings County Department of Public Health. Their goal is to preserve and enhance the quality of life and environment by working with the community to prevent, solve, and mitigate environmental health problems.

- Environmental health affects what you do everyday.
- Everything goes together to promote collective impact
- · Pushing to build a healthy community with healthy individuals making health decisions

Medi-Cal incentive to quit smoking presentation by Karen Kitchen, Anthem Blue Cross (postcards)

- Postcards for Medi-Cal beneficiaries in English and Spanish to encourage them to stop smoking by calling in.
- State program with Medi-Cal incentive to Quit Smoking by calling: 1-800-Nobutts
- One phone call with ID number and cessation patches are sent to the home at no cost
- \$20 Gift cards is they ask for it

## **Roundtable Sharing**

- Juvenile Work Program Unit offers a group of juveniles that can help set-up and cleanup at local events. Just give them a two week notice request. Contact Armando.
- There are many upcoming events. Please send Julie flyers about each of the upcoming events and she will post it on the KPFP website.

Meeting adjourned: 2:39 pm

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 21, 2015, 1:00 – 3:00 pm, Behavioral Health, Hope Room