



Flint ReCAST Community Advisory Board Wednesday, August 18, 2021 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Zoom Meeting

MINUTES

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Kettering University

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Community Advisory Board

Members Attending: 12/17 (71%)

James Avery
Flint and Genesee Group

Shardae Davis
G.C.C.A.R.D.

Lottie Ferguson (Chair)
City of Flint

Debra Furr-Holden, Ph.D.
Healthy Flint Research Coordinating Center

Lauren Holaly-Zembo
Crim Fitness Foundation

Sandra Jones
Greater Holy Temple

Tauzzari Robinson
Boys and Girls Club of Flint

Dan Russell
Genesee Health System

Kirk Smith
Greater Flint Health Coalition

Verona Terry
Flint and Genesee Job Corps Center

Rafael Turner
Consumers Energy

Jamie-Lee Venable
United Way of Genesee County

Community Advisory Board

Members Not Attending: 5/17 (29%)

Kenyetta Dotson
Michigan State University

Ashley Everhart
Neighborhood Engagement Hub

Sandra Johnson
Hamilton Community Health Network

Steven Kramer
Michigan State Police

Keiona Murphy
Flint Community Schools

Guests: (1)

Richard Sadler, Ph.D.
Michigan State University

Staff: (3)

Cierra Hessbrook
Greater Flint Health Coalition

Afton Shavers
Greater Flint Health Coalition

Nichole Smith-Anderson
Greater Flint Health Coalition

WELCOME/CALL TO ORDER

Lottie Ferguson, City of Flint, called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 21, 2021

Ms. Ferguson requested a motion approving the minutes of the July 21, 2021, meeting as distributed.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED to approve the minutes of the July 21, 2021, Flint ReCAST Community Advisory Board meeting as distributed.

NEW BUSINESS

Presentation & Discussion: Flint ReCAST 2021-2026

Afton Shavers, Greater Flint Health Coalition (GFHC), provided a presentation regarding plans for the future of the Flint ReCAST program. Ms. Shavers shared that the new project will be funded from October 1, 2021, to September 30, 2026, at a rate of one million dollars per year and aims to assist high-risk youth and families by supporting the recovery and rebuilding of our vibrant community through resilience and equity. Project partners include the City of Flint, GFHC, Genesee Health System (GHS), Crim Fitness Foundation, and Michigan State University (MSU).

Ms. Shavers stated that the new project consists of four goals:

1. Behavioral Health: Increase the capacity of trauma-informed practices and strengthen the integration of behavioral health services to improve equitable access
2. Race & Equity: Establish a co-learning and empowering process to address racial and social inequality in our community inclusive of participatory approaches
3. Youth Support & Development: Increase capacity and implementation of evidence- and community-based youth engagement programs through community partnerships to promote positive youth development
4. Public Safety & Violence Prevention: Improve law enforcement practices and policies by aligning and expanding initiatives aimed at building relationships in the community

Discussion ensued regarding plans for the 2021-2026 Flint ReCAST program with members asking for more information about the Michigan Youth Violence Prevention Center (MI-YVPC) program. Members suggested that a presentation from the program be added to a future agenda to allow the Community Advisory Board to learn more. Additional feedback from members included that the inclusion of cultural competency and implicit bias training will be important in relating to those Flint ReCAST impacts and that leveraging existing resources to synergize with efforts like those included with the GHS millage will be substantial to the success of the new project.

Ms. Ferguson stated that next efforts include the project being presented as a resolution

to the city council and a press release to announce the grant award. Additional discussion ensued regarding expansion of the Community Advisory Board and addressing representation gaps including law enforcement, education, parents, and residents. Members expressed that new perspectives are necessary, and there is community concern that all groups seem to use the same people while expecting different results.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Update: Community Advisory Task Force to the Flint Police Department

Dr. Debra Furr-Holden, Healthy Flint Research Coordinating Center (HFRCC), provided an update on the Community Advisory Task Force to the Flint Police Department. Dr. Furr-Holden shared that there has been movement toward bringing a national violence interruption program to Flint. Dr. Furr-Holden stated that the Community Foundation has connections and is looking into the necessary funding and buildout to ensure successful implementation. Dr. Furr-Holden stated that a more concrete update may be available at the next ReCAST Community Advisory Board meeting.

Update: CASPER Survey

Dr. Richard Sadler, Michigan State University (MSU), provided an update regarding the Community Assessment for Public Health Emergency Response (CASPER) survey. Dr. Sadler stated that he liked the idea of using questions from the CASPER survey in future program surveys for the Flint ReCAST project. Dr. Sadler stated the importance of asking such questions directly to those who are impacted by the work of Flint ReCAST.

PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION

Update: Community Mini-Grant Program

Cierra Hessbrook, GFHC, provided an update regarding the 2021 Mini-Grant program. Ms. Hessbrook shared that the mini-grantees have submitted mid-grant reports that detail their impact on the community through July 2021. Ms. Hessbrook shared that 1,150 youth and 255 adults have been served via the Community Mini-Grant Program. Ms. Hessbrook shared that final data from each project is due in October of 2021, and an outcomes report will be made available following the program's completion.

August Implementation Report

Ms. Hessbrook provided an update on August's implementation report, sharing that 90% of the indicator goals for year 5 have been achieved and that the goals relating to partnership/collaboration and workforce development have been doubled. Ms. Hessbrook shared that through July of 2021, five mental health trainings took place and events from Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC) Mental Health Month, such as the mental health expo and ladybugs and butterflies' senior events were successful in engaging community members.

Ms. Shavers shared that a Community ACEs (Adverse Childhood Experiences) Training will take place on August 24, 2021, at 6:00 pm. Ms. Shavers shared that Flint ReCAST Community Advisory Board members have been provided a flier for the training and are highly encouraged to attend.

Next Meeting

Wednesday, September 15, 2021
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

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