



## **Scarborough Human Services and Justice Coordinating Committee (S-HSJCC)**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**January 8 , 2020**

**2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

**Probation and Parole Office, 2131 Lawrence Ave. East, Suite 200**

**Present:** Dr. Samim Hasham, Pharmacist (Co-chair); Domenica Dileo, HSJCC; Tammy Alston, CMHA; Erwin Black, Cota; Cecilia Kwok, Probation and Parole; Robert Koslowski, Peer Worker; Beckey Paonessa, Salvation Army; Tazio Clarke (Co-chair), Victim Services Toronto; Sharon Williams, Scarborough Hospital; Scott Skinner; Jennifer Emanoilidis, CMHA

**Regrets:** Amber Aguthrie, Toronto Bail Program; Patrick Whiffen, Probation and Parole; Natalie Reitmeier, CHIRS; Paula Konstantinidis, Judiciary

#### **Welcome and Introductions:**

Everyone introduced themselves.

Tazio Clarke reported that he has been succumbed to Victim Services Toronto

#### **Agency/Organization Updates**

Robert Koslowski reported that Toronto Public Health is tracking substance use and substance products. Information is available on their website.

#### **Review and Approval of Minutes of November 13, 2019**

Becky Paonessa approved the minutes, seconded by Cecilia Kwok.

#### **Review Action Items:**

Reviewed and complete.

#### **Lunch and Learns**

The November 5, 2019 Lunch and Learn presentation on Cannabis and Methamphetamine took place. 26 people were in attendance. Feedback was positive.

January 8<sup>th</sup> Lunch and Learn topic was Guns and Gangs from the Probation and Parole perspective. Cecilia Kwok and Andrew Burston presented. They were thanked for an interactive and engaging presentation.

Suggestions for future Lunch and Learns were discussed:

- LGBT&Q+ gender identity
- Legal Aid changes

## **Review Workplan for 2019-2020**

- What we accomplished and future areas to consider?
- Who is missing at the table?

It was identified that we need to reach out to TPS and invite them to join the committee. Tazio Clarke agreed to reach out to Police Division 43, 42 and 41.

It was agreed to request an increase of \$300 for TTC tokens and \$200 for food vouchers.

The reason: For the past two years the TTC tokens supply was used by the time of the second quarterly report, food vouchers by the third quarterly report.

Discussion ensued with regards to the limited employment opportunities for people with a criminal record as well as having presentations that are more client focused.

Cecilia will contact Michael Darling who works in the field of employment for people with a criminal record.

## **Service Coordination/Resolution Issues**

None

## **Updates from T-HSJCC and Provincial HSJCC.**

Next Toronto Regional meeting will take place on January 22, 2020

## **Action Items**

Cecilia Kwok to invite Michael Daring to invite him to present at the next meeting.

**Presenter for the next meeting:** TDB

## **Next Meeting:**

Wednesday, March 4, 2020 from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. at CMHA, 1200 Markham Rd. Scarborough Suite 500.