

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

Meeting Minutes
November 4, 2014
1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Scarborough Probation and Parole Office
2131 Lawrence Ave. East, #200

Present: Susan Boucaud (Co-chair), Toronto East Detention Centre; Sharon Williams, Scarborough Hospital; Domenica Dileo, HSJCC; Mary Murphy, Defense Counsel; Tammy Alson, CMHA; Kallar Lyons, Scarborough Homes First Shelter For Adults; Sharon Allen Elliot, Second Base Youth Shelter; Robin Simmons, Voices from the Street; Acsana Fernando, Voices from the Street; Andrew Burston, MCSCS; Antonella Wilson, CMHA; Paula McLellan, Bail Program; Vincent Lee, Toronto East Detention Centre; Mary Jarrell, Crown Attorney's Office; Jian Li, Surrey Place

Regrets: Janice Sellon, East Metro Youth Service; Carole Sinclair, MAARS/SASP; Debbie Lynch, CTYS, New Outlook; Kathy Chau, CMHA; Paul Rowe, Toronto Police Service; Linda Mariani, The Access Point; Erwin Black, Cota; Dale Nichiporik, Toronto Police Service; Michele Graham, CHIRS; Julie Croke, Toronto East Detention Centre; Dawnmarie Harriottt, Working for Change; Gregory Dranitsaris, MCSCS; Julie-Anne Nayler, Pinewood Centre of Lakeridge Health; Flo Skinner, Rouge Valley Health System; Glen Gifford, Agincourt Community Services Association; Umwali Sollange CH &E Specialist (RIC-JC), GTA Region; Karina Frost, Cota

Welcome and Introductions:

- Everyone introduced themselves
- The committee welcomed Robin Simmons and Acsana Fernando from Voices from the Street
- Kallan Lyons is replacing Deena Nelson from Scarborough Homes First Shelter for Adults
- Andrew Burston is replacing Christopher Moore from MCSCS

Review and Approval of Minutes of September 9, 2014

• The minutes were approved.

Presentation - Antonella Wilson - CMHA Mental Health Court Support Services

Program pamphlet was distributed.

- Eligibility is 18 years and older who have mental health concerns and who have criminal charges at the Scarborough Court House
- Program is voluntary
- No waitlist
- Assist with release planning (for bail or probation) based on client needs.
- Assist with Mental Health Diversion, as a mean of resolving charges
- Assist with referrals to other community agencies
- Community psychiatrist available one morning a week (Tuesday) for clients without a psychiatrist
- Court psychiatrist also available for assessments only and for consultations one morning a week (Wednesday)
- Provide case management for those in pre-trial or for those whose legal matters have been resolved and are awaiting transition to other support services
- Consultation with family members/general public on mental health services, Form 2, resources for family members, etc.
- CMHA runs Court Support Programs in two locations: Metro East Provincial Court 416-285-4177 and Metro West Provincial Court 416-745-5775

Business Arising

- **Co-Chairs Update.** No one has put their name forward for the co-chair position. If anyone is interested, please contact Susan Boucaud or Domenica Dileo.
- Vincent Lee from the Metro Toronto East Detention Centre distributed the Ebola screening protocol, which will be distributed with the minutes.
- Vincent Lee reported that the Methadone Pre-Mix is now available and gets delivered to pharmacies
- Consumer Survivor Participation Pilot Project. Susan Boucaud and Domenica Dileo met with two new members, who have lived experiences and were selected by Voices from the Street to be part of our committee, before the meeting for meet and greet. They reside in Scarborough. Each member of the committee, at the meeting, welcomed the new members and responded to the new members concern regarding boundaries related to confidentiality.
- Information from the Thunder Bay Consumer Advisory Committee was distributed prior to the meeting.
- Police, OW and Pharmacy Coordination no update

Lunch and Learns

- Lunch and Learn topics were discussed: OW & ODSP Updates; Criminal Justice Issues including pardons, criminal records and their impact on pardon, housing, employment and immigration; and TB and sexually-transmitted infections.
- It was suggested that Domenica Dileo survey the members to prioritize two of the three issues and that she also invite the relevant speakers.

 The suggested speakers list is as follow: Vincent Lee TB and Sexually-Transmitted Infections, John Howard Criminal records and their impact, and Sandy Fermanovski OW &ODSP.
- The next two Lunch and Learn sessions are slated for March and May 2015.

• **NEW:** Going forward Lunch and Learns will take place during regular meetings – those meetings will be extended by 30 minutes. A light lunch will be provided.

Service Coordination/Resolution Issues – No issues were identified

Agency/Organization Updates

- There was discussion with regard to confidentiality in response to questions posed by Robin Simmons
- Sharon Elliot reported that Second Base Youth Shelter was closed for two weeks during August. Residence numbers have been fluctuating. However they are moving towards full capacity
- Vincent Lee reported the TEDC has opened its Flu Clinic for people they serve

Updates from the T-HSJCC and Provincial HSJCC

- Save the Date 2015 Provincial Conference will be announced soon
- The term for Sandie Leith from Provincial HSJCC has ended and they are now looking for another Co-chair.
- The P-HSJCC is waiting to hear from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care if there are funds to expand the Secretariat.

Actions:

Domenica Dileo will survey the members on Lunch and Learn priority topics

Next Meeting

- January 6, 2015 at 2131 Lawrence Ave. East, #200
- The presenter will be Tammy Alson, CMHA on Mental Health and Justice Prevention