

CCYVC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, July 8, 2020

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

UPDATES

The Criminology department at TCNJ is looking for community partners for the work they will be doing.

Greg Rapport presented on Bridges to Employment. Age Out Angels, Mercer County Community College, and Eckart Connect are the agencies that are leading the project. They are recruiting 23 youth that are 16-24 years old, are in or aged out of foster care, do not have a high school diploma or GED, unemployed, and not currently in a jobs program. There is an online registration in the flyer.

Chester Jones presented on Trenton Makes Athletic Center. They want to introduce competitive sports to Trenton youth. There is a centrally located space that they would like to put a sports arena for youth. They are looking for a partner and volunteers and are interested in having TCNJ students to be interns and/or volunteers.

The Youth Services Commission will put out an RFP at the end of July. It will be posted on the Mercer County website.

Bureau Chief within the New Jersey State Police is developing policy and seeking novel approaches as top priority.

WORKING GROUP PRESENTATIONS

1. Outreach
 - a. The goal of the outreach working group is to develop strategies for intentional outreach to key stakeholders and assist in determining how to integrate the CCYVC playbook into organizations' agendas.
 - b. On hold due to COVID-19
2. Collaboration
 - a. The goal of the collaboration working group is to look for agencies that could participate in collaboration and partnerships, and provide them with grant opportunities.
 - b. The collaboration working group met and created a system with our role in collaborations. They also identified that grant writing workshops would be helpful for collaborations. They are creating assessment practices. In the future, they will do a needs assessment for what programs have come out of CCYVC.

3. Youth Engagement
 - a. The goal of the youth engagement working group is to guide CCYVC with intention by utilizing the voices of the youth.
 - b. On hold due to COVID-19
4. Data
 - a. The goal of the data working group is to determine data criteria and to develop and implement a plan to consistently track the progress of CCYVC.
 - b. On hold due to COVID-19

NEXT STEPS AND CLOSING

The next board meeting will be held in September. There is no meeting in August.

The board will stay aware of sports category grant opportunities.

CCYVC will send opportunities via email to the CCYVC listserv, along with grant writing opportunities. These include:

1. Trenton Makes Athletic Center
2. Bridges to Employment
3. Youth Services Commission RFP