

MINUTES

TLN ASC 2/5/18

WILLIAM P. FAUST PUBLIC LIBRARY OF WESTLAND

Call to order: 10:07 am by J. Parij

Approval of the minutes: December 2017 minutes approved

Motion to approve: A. Brougher

Seconded: K. Kramp

Presentation: Navigating Michigan's Social Safety Net

Powerpoint presented by Maria Williams, Head of Adult Services, Baldwin Public Library, Birmingham. Formerly employed at United Way.

Phone 211 or go to 211.org for a database of Health and Human Resources.

The Social Safety Net is a collection of services which prevent people from falling into poverty beyond a certain level. Each community's safety net is different, and will include both public and private resources.

MI has approx 15% poverty rate, about average.

MI Population 9,702,321 Number in poverty 1,451,936

Two important programs are:

Social Insurance Programs: benefits and eligibility defined by statute. Explicit provision to account for income and expenses. Funded by taxes. Serves a defined population.

Means-tested Programs: eligibility based on need. No prior financial contributions are required.

Primary service categories:

Food: food stamps, WIC, food pantries, meals

Housing and shelter: homeless shelters, warming centers, domestic violence shelters, subsidized housing, housing expense assistance

Utilities: MiDHS is the State Emergency Relief fund, which provides utility expense assistance

Health care: Physical health care: Federally Qualified Health Center "FQHC" available through some community health centers and more. Dental care not readily available, try dental schools. Mental Health & Substance Abuse Treatment: every county has a designated provider. Government health insurance programs refers to medicare which is provided if you work and paid into. Medicaid is a program that doesn't require having paid in to. CHIP is children's health insurance program.

Income Support and Assistance: Unemployment Insurance, Tax Assistance, Cash assistance, disability benefits, Veterans benefits, Job assistance through MiWorks, Social Security Insurance is available at a certain age.

Child and family services: Child care www.greatstarttoquality.org is a useful directory of MI child care providers. Elder care: every county in MI has an AAA-Area Agency on Aging. Many other family services.

Information and Referral Programs "INR". Good example is TIP program at Detroit P.L. Airs.org is "Alliance of Information and Referral Systems" is a private non-profit covers USA and Canada. They accredit programs and manage taxonomy for useful searches. Info center.info

TIC - theinfocenter.info is good.

Old Business

Presenter's Showcase feedback: Suggestion for TLN host a form for presenters to register.

Special Equipment List: The TLN list is 10 years old and needs updating. An email survey was sent out to the coop with a poor response, and will be re-sent through the TLN listserve. Please respond!

New Business

Spring Workshop: We had a great workshop last spring at PLYM with presentations from Literati bookstore about marketing, and patron relations, and weeding. This year we are skipping a Spring Workshop and will revisit the topic in October.

June Field Trip: K. Gibson will contact Gerald R. Ford library in Ann Arbor, and J. Malnar will contact Skillman Center. Please contact J. Parij with other field trip suggestions.

Announcements: Around the Coop

DHTN - Sing-a-long, six week nutrition class, and amateur radio class

HAMB - Two new programs: Valentines for Veterans - made cards to deliver to VA Hospital patients, and, Chili Cook-off

COMM - The Great Foodini was a huge success, and next up is a jazz band

ALPK - Hot Reads for Cold Nights bingo sheet with weekly drawing. Microfilm machine is repaired and working. Bat conservation program coming up

SOGT - Science fiction/fantasy book club

CNTN- under construction so limited programming. Something new "Electrify your Winter" an online program where patrons can participate from home

WTLD - Director search started. Senior Expo successful

WIXM - Cooking with Mary Spencer: Valentine's Day, upcoming Great Michigan Read book club, and new this year Winter Reading Challenge

ROCH - New is a series of "Life skills for young adults" programs: Trader Joe's will present cooking, a dry cleaner will talk about laundering, and a realtor will talk about buying a home. The bar based book clubs have full attendance. "Everyone's Reading" 2018 author scheduled.

WHLK - Annual jigsaw puzzle challenge is popular. 6 teams of 4 people register. Groundbreaking for new library this spring.

WYDT - After hours tech program for families very popular. Activities included Tech Take-apart, robotics, snap circuits, and cupcake decorating. New room in library opened for group to run Fundamentals of Electronics group for kids. Winter Reading Challenge for February.

DEXT - Reading "Homegoing" and Ethiopian Cooking program planned. Ray Camali's music program - performance and lecture - is great. Preparing to launch the 2nd year of seed program.

MDHT - New adult book club and teen book club. Library and Women's club sponsor weekly music at Senior Center. Monthly Monday movie double feature, monthly Saturday movie double feature.

REDF - 55 people came to watch movie Victoria and Abdul. They serve Gordon's popcorn. Monthly craft program is popular. Upcoming is Michael Hauser Hudson's program.

PMTH - Upcoming Skilled Trades program, registration full, and streamed live. New graphic book club. AARP tax help offered annually, popular, handled by volunteers.

BELL - solarypsi.org is a nonprofit group that presents “how to” programs and was well attended. Searching for mushroom hunting presenter - any recommendations?

BALD - New: Trying a Chili Cook-off, and the “Human Library” in April - it’s easy to get volunteers. MI Notable Author Michael Smith upcoming.

Motion to adjourn 12:05 pm: J. Malnar

Seconded: K. Kramp.

Next Meeting: April 2, 2018 at 10 am at Rochester Hills Public Library

Attendance

ALPK - Anna Brougher

BALD - Maria Williams

BELL - Amy Greschaw

CANT - Amy Lee

COMM - Cherie Edmonds

DEXT - Lisa Ryan

DHTN - Rob Butler

HAMB - Amy Crockett

MDHT - Krista Ghazar

PMTH - Katy Kramp

REDF - Linda Pride

ROHL - Jessica Parij

SOGT - Don Priest

WHLK - Denise Harris-Fiems

WIXM - Karla Gibson

WTLD - Danielle Hansard

WYDT - Jakki Malnar and Kelly Ray

Respectfully submitted,

Karla Gibson, ASC Secretary

