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Louisa County Interagency Council
Virginia Cooperative Extension Meeting Room
July 10, 2014
9:30am

MINUTES

Individuals Present

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 9:35am by Sara Pennington, Chair of the LIAC.

Introductions

Individuals introduced themselves

Presentation

Stephen Davis, Community Investment Collaborative

- A micro-enterprise development organization founded in 2011
- Mission is to strengthen the community by fueling the success of under-resourced entrepreneurs through education, mentoring, micro-lending and networking
- Built on 4 pillars
 - Training
 - 17-week program: 54% of WIBO (Workshop in Business Opportunities) graduates who start their business are still in business 5 years after the program
 - Part of the training curriculum includes:
 - Basic requirements and getting the facts, identifying your target market, promoting your business, searching for customers, helping people buy, making a profit: pricing strategy, making a profit: costs, making a profit: purchasing, investing in people, and more.
 - Mentoring
 - At the end of the class, individuals have the chance to be paired with a mentor which is drawn from the local business community
 - Financing
 - Anyone that completes the program is welcome to *apply* for financing through CIC
 - Three stages of loans offered:
 - Stage 1: up to \$5,000 and routine peer group and mentor meetings
 - Stage 2: loans up to \$10,000 and mentor

- Stage 3: loans up to \$35,000
- Networking
 - CIC creates networking opportunity
- What CIC has achieved thus far:
 - 38 mentoring relationships, 4 seventeen week workshops, 15 community events in 2013-2014, 12 loans=\$51.5k, 11,000 volunteer hours, 72 graduates, 7 new and 5 expanded businesses, 13 existing businesses expanded, 19+ FTE jobs created, 14 new businesses opened and 20 under development
- 2 entrepreneurs in Louisa to date
- How can Louisa residents apply:
 - Applications due in January and July; online, mail or in person
 - Workshops run August-December & March-June
 - Tuition costs: \$750 per person, scholarships to lower cost to minimum of \$125 personal investment
- Located in downtown Charlottesville- classes are in downtown Charlottesville.
- CIC will be exploring this fall whether there is demand to host a class that could serve Louisa and Fluvanna Counties: potentially in Zion's Crossroads. Contact Stephen Davis (stephen@cicville.org) if you're interested in being a part of this discussion.

New Business

- a. Agency updates

Reentry Council

Now accepting participants. Has not received many participants at this point. Please encourage individuals to contact Lisa Rengers at DHS (540) 967-1320 or elise.rengers@dss.virginia.gov to make an appointment.

Lisa is now making presentations to local churches. If anyone has a church that would be interested in Lisa presenting, please contact her at (540) 967-1320 or elise.rengers@dss.virginia.gov.

Please like the Louisa Reentry Council on Facebook!

Thomas Jefferson Health District

Move 2 Health Campaign- Minutes challenge ends at the end of July
 Preparing to launch next big challenge in September- healthy eating challenge
 Asking people to log the amount of fruits and veggies they eat daily
www.Move2healthcentralva.org

Louisa tobacco rate is relatively high. Starting to work on cessation classes
 There is a Quit Now Hotline- free of charge. Free acupuncture is being offered for quitting smoking at the Health Department in Charlottesville on Tuesday evenings

VOL

If you would like information set-up at the Louisa Ag Fair, please give information to Laurien Jeffers and it will be displayed

RideShare

Sara Pennington shared a letter from Billie Campbell regarding the 2020 Plan: Aging in Community. The Livable for a Lifetime (L4L) Steering Committee has stepped forward to spearhead Action 2020, to create a five-year action plan to achieve the goals of the 2020 Plan. L4L Steering Committee feels strongly that the voices of our rural counties need to be fully integrated into the process. As a result, L4L is organizing input sessions in each of the four rural counties. We invite the Inter-Agency Council to be part of this effort to assist with outreach to individuals and organizations in Louisa County

Specifically, the L4L Steering Committee is looking for a Point of Contact and a core group of 6 to 8 people to participate in the input session and to invite others to attend. The Point of Contact and Core Group would select a date and place for the input session, sometime between the last week of August and the end of September. The L4L Steering Committee recommends a time from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m., and would prepare materials for and facilitate the meeting.

If you would be willing to serve as the Point of Contact or as part of the core group, please contact Sara Pennington at spennington@tjpd.org or Billie Campbell at bcampbell@tjpd.org.

JAUNT

JAUNT Friends- There were over 40 applicants waiting for scholarships for JAUNT, but the waiting applicants were able to receive the scholarships due to the Jeans for JAUNT Friends program, BAMA Works Grant and other fundraising efforts.

ACE Louisa

New Executive Director, Susan Fletcher

Offers basic literacy, GED tutoring and ESOL

Everything is 1:1 and free of charge

A teacher will be hired to instruct classes- more information to follow

Please like ACE Louisa on Facebook!

Louisa County Resource Council

Resource Council is looking to add a pilot program, "Grocery Assistance Program" which will open the community cupboard to the working-poor of Louisa. The working-poor group makes too much money to qualify for food stamps or other Federal Assistance, but still struggles to buy groceries. Hoping to start this program in August.

If you know of people that might fall into the category of working poor, please contact Donna Isom at (540) 967-3577

Please like the Louisa County Resource Council on Facebook!

MACAA

Wendy Morris from MACAA retired. They are looking to rehire that position. Contact the Charlottesville office at 434-295-3171 to learn about application process.

MACAA Thrift Store is permanently closed. There will be an emergency office that can provide help with emergencies (medicine, utilities, etc.).

Old Business

Faith in ACTION Subcommittee

July 14th is the 3rd Gathering for faith-based organizations at the Betty Queen Center. Interagency Council members are welcome to attend. Faith in ACTION is now on the Louisa IAC website.

Board of Supervisors Subcommittee

Agencies have signed up to present from now until the end of the year.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00am