



The Coalition for Drug-Free Youth educates, inspires and empowers our community to support youth and to create a safe, healthy environment aimed at addressing alcohol, tobacco and other drug problems.

Coalition Meeting – August 11, 2020

[Virtual](#)

4:00-5:00pm

AGENDA

Facilitator: Marissa & Jody

Notetaker: Kim Beeson

Attendance: Jody(KC Parks), Jonny Fernandez, Scott Davis, Beth Davis, Patricia Mejia, Andrew Bloom, Beth Delaney, Darlene(from Parks), Jackie Berganio, Lensy Cordova, Patrick Inglis, Tracie Friedman, Tracie Holiday-Robinson

Welcome & Introductions

- **What keeps you hopeful?**
 - **Hope themes:** youth, community, prospect of connecting with youth, vice presidential choice, for when we come together in person and in community again, witnessing compassion, power of listening

WHAT WAYS CAN WE PARTNER TO MEET THE NEEDS OF YOUTH AND FAMILIES?

Supply Bag Distributions for Seola & GB

- Plan for distributions at Seola and Greenbridge confirmed through partnership with King County Housing and Neighborhood House.
- August 25 & 27, dates for stuffing and distribution for SG and Greenbridge. 700 bags for 700 families.

Supply Distribution for White Center & North Highline

- **How shall we distribute through White Center?**
 - South West Family Services has White Center and Burien locations within our service area. They are willing to participate and help with stuffing and distribution.
 - Option #1 Set points in the community
 - Option #2 Set points at SWFS locations.
 - UPower is able to contribute sport and fitness kits (many sport balls, in coordination with food/essentials in partnership for distribution. (kick balls, basket balls, soccer balls, footballs – and kid to adult sizes). Also activity sheets for game ideas, safety recommendations. Very good quality.



Decision: UPower sports/games materials distribution approved for the 2,000 bags. Marissa to coordinate with Andrew.

How to distribute/what are the logistics? Do the kids get to choose?

- Idea (Patrick): Can we create an order form to go with the pick-ups so they can request type of ball, 1st and 2nd choices.
- Patricia: Door to door pick-ups – can pick up items of choice? Mobile rec stops – pop up tent in complex and kids come pick up directly?

Decision: SWYFS can coordinate a site pick up and will communicate a plan. Andrew can also help with coordination– he says quantity is not an issue, but recommends kids be given a first and 2nd choice on the chance one kind of ball is more popular and not plentiful enough. If there was a location based pick up families could pick up safely.

Masks

- 4,000 cloth masks & 11,000 disposable masks available but all adult sizes. Currently at PSESD storage room.
- **Need child and youth masks**
- More mask distribution resource: King County Ambassadors Program related to Covid-19 community education and mask/ supply distribution. Starts August 17th including Burien station, <https://dchsblog.com/2020/08/05/former-metro-drivers-take-on-new-role-as-king-county-health-ambassadors-to-slow-the-spread-of-covid-19/>

Action: MARISSA will follow through with Darlene’s connection to fire dept with intent to add children’s masks to distribution. North Highline Fire Department may have youth masks available for distribution.

Supply Bag Informational Inserts: Shall we add informational materials? What?

- Tracie suggests Teen Link resources. Tracie knows someone that can provide the booklet for Teen Link resources up to 2,000 or more.
- Jackie proposes creating a one pager that is location specific rather than use those created by others.
 - Coalition Logo
 - Links to resources
 - Announcement of school on a one pager
- Safe Place Yellow Place card (12-17 yes provided a 24-hour service if not safe) Ben has glow in the dark bracelets, steps for asking for a safe place, other.
- Insert on financial assistance, food services, transportation or delivery sheet:
- Michael Sita shares what kids also need if we had a donor USBs, headphones with mics. HSD is preparing for Chrome books and laptops for distribution now.
- Aaron: Suggests Calendar hard copies that align with schools would be useful for parents to put on their fridge. So they are more aware of the holidays and key dates.



- From Darlene: One other possible resource to include in the bags: lists of nearby foodbanks (we currently have a one pager available in Spanish and English) AND an update on how families can apply for free or reduced meals: <https://apply4meals.highlineschools.org/fma/>

Action: Food bank contact Carmen will help with information on financial assistance, transportation, and food services.

Action: Patricia will connect Marissa with a lead on Safe Place Yellow Place Card.

Discussion: Can we use youth volunteers for this project?

- Patrick recommends include youth – community service credit, volunteer work.
- Michael would not access until school begins. Once school is in play, the paper trail to assure safety, permissions and volunteer credit is within reach. New Starts has a full class on community service.
- Scott and Beth: Key Club members usually do this type of community service but with school being out and a rough transition at the end of the year difficult to reach students.

Recommendation – not for this project; wait for school to start. That said, Scott will contact Key Club youth on the chance there is some interest. Patricia is willing to stuff bags provided opportunity.

Recommendation- Coalition members or staff at organization could spare a couple of hours this could be possible and may not need more volunteers for stuffing.

Coalition Meeting Feedback and Structures

- Marissa will distribute Action Plan for review in preparation to discuss for next meeting.
- Communication clarification – Beth and Scott have separate emails.
- Does this Time work?
 - 2nd Tuesdays at 4pm – Yes, agreement to continue
- Marissa is seeking Contacts from SeaMar and NAVOS.

Action: Patrick and Jodi will look into contact with Navos and Sea Mar.

Action: Jody will look into contacts from SeaMar & Navos

Community Updates

- Patricia/Burien – Wednesday hangout is the only program, staff and activities are all halted
- UPower (Andrew Bloom) Trauma informed youth /sports classes – but now putting kits together for youth dissemination throughout King County.
- Darlene Teen Center Program (Y)- Log Cabin basketball had them concerned about accessing youth however 42 kids today wanting to be engaged, care about their community, and seeking arts packets.
- Aarong Highline Schools Status: Go to website and hit Corona Virus Tab to learn
- <https://dchsblog.com/2020/08/05/former-metro-drivers-take-on-new-role-as-king-county-health-ambassadors-to-slow-the-spread-of-covid-19/>