

Policy Group Proposed Presentation Format and Topics

Presentation Format:

- Topic overview and presentation of any key terms/jargon
- Delineation of key institutional actors (fed/state/local) for this topic
- How the system (whatever the system is) works in Pinellas County; what assets it has; what challenges it faces; what are the demands on it; what are the unmet needs.
- Policy and operational changes that would truly improve the system
- A local best practice if there is one they wish to note
- A national best practice(s) (Beth and I could present this if the group doesn't wish to)

TOPICS:

DRAFT SCHEDULE:

Barriers – December
Housing strategies – January
Health – February
Behavioral Health – March
Law enforcement – April
Employment – May
Funding – June
System – July

SUGGESTED PRESENTERS:

- **Housing strategies:** Howie Carroll, Gary McMath, Jacqueline Rivera – Pinellas County and Largo Community Development staff. Perhaps some housing developers.
- **Strategies to Removing Barriers to Accessing Services (Transportation/Identification/Residency status/day care/etc):** If this incorporates other barriers- front line service organizations such as County Human Services, St. Pete Free Clinic, DayStar, Family Resources - integrate youth barriers - etc.
- Outside presenters – identify
- Committee members - Catherine Alexander (VA homeless program), Bonnie Collins, Commissioner Pat Gerard, Sandra Lyth, the Reverend Louis Murphy, Commissioner Welch
- **Health/Behavioral health strategies (may require two sessions given the size):**
Dr. Teresa Bradley, Okey Ryan, Gary MacMath, Bonnie Collins, perhaps Bob Dillinger and Susan Latvala.
Outside presenters - Brian Talley from Windmoor Healthcare, and Tom Yanick from Morton Plant.
- **Law enforcement strategies:** Bob Dillinger, Thomas Lange, Ron Dickman (re. Domestic Violence)

- **Employment strategies including other financial support approaches:** Don Shea, Katie Cole, Frank Hibbard
Outside presenters - WorkNet, Partners in Self Sufficiency, etc.
- **Funding strategies:** Herb (based on research findings), Joanne Lighter, Elizabeth Gunderson, Virginia Rowell, Faith-Based representatives, and an elected official
- **System management and coordination strategies:** Herb, Virginia Littrell, Elizabeth Gunderson, Sandra Lyth, Ron Dickman