



Concho Valley Homeless Planning Coalition Public Meeting

April 10, 2019

Meeting began at 9:02 a.m.

Mark Bethune opened meeting with prayer. Everyone in room introduced themselves.

Speaker - Eric Sanchez, CEO and Director of ADAC - Discussion was held on How Can We Help You? How Can You Help Us? Eric distributed brochures to all who wanted to have one. Alcohol Drug Abuse Council is about treatment, prevention and recovery services for substance abuse. ADAC has the Williams House - Has 16 beds and is for men. They also have Sarah's House, which is a treatment facility for women with 12 beds. Women can have their children there with them.

Outpatient Program at the ADAC's main facility on Houston Harte/67. This is a 12 week program. They currently have a Youth Awareness Program and a detox facility.

The new facility, Journey to Recovery, is scheduled to open by the end of May, 2019. They have raised \$6 million, and need more funds. Eric is working on obtaining more funds to get detox facility open. It is a 72 bed facility: 30 men, 30 women and 12 detox. Moms can take their children with them. They plan on having sober living homes for continued recovery. It will be well-structured. ADAC currently has a waiting list. They serve people from all over the state. If beds are not available, they coordinate with other treatment facilities. The addictions are physical, emotional and psychological. He recommends we tell an addict, homeless or not, there is hope and help is out there for them. It is not easy but lives have been changed. ADAC is here to help - **call 800-880-9641 for the crisis line**. A live person will answer, then a counselor will call the person back.

Speaker - Jill Donegan with Tom Green County Library spoke about the homeless spending their days at the library, especially in inclement weather. They have policies but they try to offer a hospitable, safe environment. They do not allow anyone to sleep in the library. There is evidence of drug use at the library, especially at the N. Chadbourne branch. People who need to check out books and other resources must have an I.D. and two forms of proof of address. This is a challenge for the homeless. For use of the internet, these items are not required.

Speaker - St. Paul Presbyterian Church - Timothy Herbst-Davenport is on the board at the Club House. It is located at 404 Irving Street. You do not have to be a MHMR patient or client to be a member. They are working on various programs to offer. Amy Mizzell-Flint is the director. For more information, call Tim at St. Paul Presbyterian Church at 325-653-5691 or The Club House.



Announcements

- Public Housing Authority Family Fun Day is scheduled for 6/8/19 from 11-2 at PHA. It is located at 420 E. 28th Street, San Angelo, Texas.
- Children's Advocacy Center - Picnic in the Park at Kirby Park on 4/14/19 from 1-6 p.m. Be prepared to have pamphlets and snacks available for distribution. This is a very family-oriented day.
- First United Methodist Church is offering a travelling shower service next month for those in need. Contact FUMC office for more information.
- Christian Job Corp. offers drinks, simple lunch to those who are hungry at the Star Stop on Main Street, mostly on weekends.
- United Way Day of Caring. They are putting together some baskets for needy Veterans. You can go to United Way website for drop off locations. Drive for donations is until May 10th. Volunteers are needed. Call United Way to help put baskets together...sign up first. This will be done on 5/17/19 at Concho Valley Food Bank. * \$755,000.00 was allocated into our community for non-profits.
- Nabors Café at Rust Street Ministries started serving last Monday. This was possible from a grant from an anonymous donor. Food is served at lunch and a bag of food is sent with the person.
- ADAC is having a Spring Luncheon at Bentwood Country Club on 4/25/19 at 11:30 a.m. Speaker is Chris Raymer. Funds will go towards Journey to Recovery program/facility. Contact Paulette Schell at ADAC.
- On 4/27/19 is the President's drug take back. You can take unused over the counter or prescription drugs to ADAC at 3553 W. Houston Harte. No syringes, glass bottles nor inhalers. San Angelo Police Dept. also has an ongoing drop off at the police station.
- Open Arms will have a Community Resource Fair at 113 N. Harrison Street, San Angelo, Texas on 4/11/19 form 10-3. They are also hosting an Empowering Survivor and Men Engagement Conference on 04/16/2019 with a guest speaker. Contact Open Arms at 325-655-2000 for more information.
- San Angelo Gives is set for May 7, 2019. You can go to their website, the Galilee Development Center and type in Homeless Coalition in the notes to designate your donation to non-profit.
- St. Paul Presbyterian Church will have a summer food distribution July 27, 2019. More information to be announced soon. This event will target families with children in school. It is geared for children who are at home after school or during the day as well as the homeless.



Meeting adjourned by President, Bob, Salas, at approximately 10:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Daina S. Schwartz

Secretary