

PFR Leadership Team Meeting Notes
Tuesday, Mar. 3, 4:00-5:30
Msla Org. of Realtors, 1610 S. 3rd St. West (Upstairs)

Guest: Councilwoman Emily Bentley, representing Missoula City Council

Councilmember Bentley asked about contacts with Sheriff, and volunteered to talk with him about PFR

Review of March 2104 PFR Action Plan - 1- and 5-Year Goals:

Team Leaders will update these in March, with actions and tasks accomplished since March 2014, new goals and specific actions for the coming year. Return by March 20 for final review at next Leadership Team meeting in April. Summary of discussion:

Housing -

Amy Chesebro will work with Michael on housing possibilities
Private landlord housing model (McClary) being worked on
Amy & MSWs developing housing info packet for new returnees by summer
Casey to seek staff person who can respond to prisoner housing needs

Employment

Task Force has great participation; Chad Bishop is moving, & group needs new leadership & focus to flourish.

Treatment/MH/HC:

Partnership Health now a PFR partner on MH/Treatment
Plans are set for Mar. 28 Mapping meeting at Partnership with agency staff, providers is underway; Steve Z., Shari, Andrea Wirshing & Jana Staton organizing.

Relationships/Mentoring

MIC has 5 community mentors helping homeless, including some returning from prison.
Will expand to help those getting out more directly with new staff hire.

Family Support

One group formed, meets weekly, Shari Rigg leading -needs more publicity, members.

Advocacy & Public Education (including Legislative Action)

PFR has supported 3 key bills with testimony, emails, letters: HB25, SB138, SB224 - all have passed 1 chamber & remain viable for passage. Jana, Barbara, Emily able to discuss bills with Missoula legislators Tues. night at Kettlehouse event.
Advocacy Goal for 2015 --systematic public education in Missoula through op-ed, social media, blogs, civic meetings, City Club, etc. A new working group is needed.

Peer Focus Group - Landee is organizing a focus group for returning folks to provide a forum for feedback to Leadership Team, participation in PFR; Group could meet; Landee has identified 2 people with incarceration experience and group skills to provide leadership.

PFR Meeting with County Commissioners Scheduled for March 25, 10 am.

Leadership Team invited to attend weekly Administrative meeting, Room 206, CountyAdmin. Building, 199 West Pine, to brief Commissioners.

Visit to Gallatin County Re-Entry Task Force March 12

Landee, Jana, Barbara will visit; all Task Group Leaders all invited to participate as well.

Date, Focus for Spring Public Community Meeting

Suggest early May with focus on County & City officials discuss local government's role supporting re-entry initiative. Emily Bentley will attend and speak from Council perspective.

Next Leadership Team Meeting Date: TBA early April to plan Public meeting

WEBSITE Update (no time to discuss at meeting)

- Website has had **1027 views** in one month, since January
- DOC Re-Entry Initiative very popular, 647 views
- Get Involved, 224 views
- Missoula Resources, 224 views

Much of this traffic was generated from KPAX special report publishing address -- about 600 overnight.

Needs:

- Monthly Update of Events, Actions, Accomplishments - running scroll on right
- Google Search terms to ensure it shows up -
- Useful referral page for housing, jobs, treatment for those getting out
- Use of website in our emails, communication, publications

Management:

- Kelly Spears, GrizCentral IT manager, PFR angel volunteer, will provide assistance on major changes.
- Amy Chesebro will explain and train Leadership Team members for access
- Barbara Farrell, Virginia Sanderson can assist Jana in managing new entries
- Virginia Sanderson will continue to run e-mail system.