

San Miguel Unmet Needs Group Notes

5/18/2020 2pm via Zoom

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- 1) Welcome and Introductions
 - a. Attendees: Carol Freidrich, Lance Waring, Amanda Baltzley, Marti Prohaska, Ross Valdez, Kathleen Morgan, Robin Slater, Grace Franklin, Adrienne Christy, Kathleen Merritt, Mike Gass, Ainslee Fessenden, Katie Singer, Sarah Landeryou, Kris Holstrom, Eva Veitch, Michelle Blunt, Delanie Young, Amanda Jones
- 2) Share current efforts to meet the following needs:
 - a. Food insecurity
 - i. Carol – Social Services
 1. Waivers for food assistance through month of June
 2. Extension of not needing waivers – can use verbal approval but cannot for Medicaid
 3. Lynn Borup – received a grant for food services
 4. Pandemic EBT – students who qualify for food benefit can be extended through summer
 - a. Will be through the EBT card
- 3) Housing/sheltering
 - a. Feds approve non-congregate sheltering through June 7 (on 30 day approvals)
 - i. Served 2 people so far
- 4) Behavioral health needs
 - a. Robin
 - i. Happiness hour through month of May through TCH and the library – Fridays at 4:30 (Mandy Miller)
 - ii. Sheriff's increased number of people in crisis – funding through the Good Neighbor Fund
 - iii. Will send out slides for mental health leadership to Carol
 - b. Amanda Jones – Call line and outpatient-based services
 - i. Wants a collaborative around outreach – how to connect people to behavioral health
 - ii. June start date for more intensive outpatient services
 1. Monday – Friday focused on substance use treatment and mental health services – part of a grant for substance use – partially housed in Montrose but want to expand through tele-video potentially to SMC
 - iii. Opportunity for sub-group work out of this committee
 1. Mental Health Recovery sub-group
 - c. Adrienne
 - i. Get information out for mental health assistance better
 1. Application is tough but mostly just get the info out
 2. Carol – will talk to Paul about making it easier on the TCH website
 3. Add to communication line in SMC
- 5) Financial needs
 - a. Good Neighbor Fund – Katie
 - i. COVID-19 Response Fund – over \$800,000 raised – TCH is vetting the application
 1. Good Neighbor Fund had 96 applications in April

- b. Department of Social Services - \$1500 per family fund – income less than \$75,000, child at home under 18, and one lawfully present parent – Colorado Peak Website – TANIF application
 - c. Town Rent
 - i. MV – 10 applications for deferred rent at VCA
 - 1. Payment plan – 50% rent and pay back through the course of the year
 - ii. Telluride – 1 month free rent in town owned rental properties in April
 - 1. Not everyone took advantage
 - 2. Hardship application – 4 applications for deferred rent
 - 3. Housing relief fund - \$25,000 initial plus some donations and grants – TCH is administering it for Telluride
 - iii. Kathleen Morgan – sense of lack of panic – people know about funds and are finding good assistance
- 6) Connectivity for seniors
- a. Eva V. (Region 10)
 - i. Panic dying down – reached out to all family caregivers and all feel like they are doing OK
 - ii. More requests for food boxes
 - 1. Delivered meals program in Telluride very successful
 - b. Michelle B (Norwood)
 - i. Food bank – going well – enough food, good distributions
 - ii. new seniors for senior commodity boxes – 970-708-8664 to call to sign up for the boxes
 - iii. Delivering to seniors who cannot leave houses
 - iv. Things calming down a bit
 - v. Numbers are going down a little – maybe people going back to work
- 7) Supporting Spanish speaking communities
- a. Ross – Implicit bias training for SMC
 - b. Lance
 - i. bilingual Community Educator position is open
 - ii. Telluride arts district is working on visual imaging with both English and Spanish
 - iii. Working on minimizing lag time on info going out in both English and Spanish
 - c. Kathleen Merritt
 - i. Bright Futures – 50 simultaneous headsets for translations can be checked out
 - d. Kathleen Morgan
 - i. Mentors/Mentees had to answer where they are getting info
 - 1. People using county webpage, county emails, Med Center emails
- 8) Child care needs
- a. Kathleen Merritt
 - i. Open licensed child care June 1
 - 1. Formalizing guidelines
 - a. Temperatures at drop-off, curbside drop-off/pick-ups, what if child or teacher gets sick
 - 2. 8 out of 10 providers plan to open
 - a. Can only take up to 10 children at a time with 2 teachers in the room
 - 3. Parent and provider packets
 - 4. Children over the age of 3 has to wear a mask
 - 5. Strongstart will provide masks, wipes, thermometers, hand sanitizer
 - 6. Working on Grants – Help CO Now grants
 - 7. Family strengthening coordinator helping to place children
 - 8. Childcare info pages at the food banks
 - 9. Expect increased enrollment in July

10. FEMA supplies of diapers, wipes, formula – shared with west end, giving out to families, and supplying to childcare centers
 11. Financial aid available for families
 12. Bright Futures – awaiting guidelines from state for school age children
 - a. Supposed to come out Monday, May 25
 - ii. Carol following up with Kathleen about absence policies
 - iii. Voyager is providing a babysitter course to teenagers to become trained in childcare through Ouray, Montezuma and San Miguel Counties
- 9) Aligning community outreach efforts
- a. Social Media posts have been effective
 - b. Any additions to SMC website please reach out to amandab@sanmiguelcountyco.gov
 - c. Delanie – All Town Council Meetings are on KOTO
 - i. Council reports – want to add additional phone numbers/information for resources
 1. Get a list to the clerk to get on the list
 2. Amanda B to help collect info – connect with Carol
- 10) Identify unmet needs in above areas or other areas
- a. Mike Gass
 - i. parents are concerned about teenagers – just because school is over, doesn't mean COVID is over
 - ii. Katie
 1. Telluride Foundation – KOTO – youth activities that will be available – Telluride Academy, Library, Parks and Rec.
 - iii. Messaging to teens – what can they do? Coming from the county
- 11) Next Meeting: Monday, May 25 at 2pm at Zoom meeting provided above