

Englewood CHAT Meeting Summary January 21, 2010

Present: Bill Coy, Victoria Rice, Jennifer Perry, Barbie Arbour, Connie Ellis, Noreen Donaldson, Hilary Woodcum, Kelly Carr, Melissa Perkins, Rita Bertler, Eric Stockley, Diane Ramseyer

Welcome, Introductions – Chair, Jennifer Perry, welcomed everyone and introductions were provided.

Review of November Meeting Summary – November Meeting Summary was reviewed and accepted as written.

Distribution of Directories – Due to a “late found” error in the directory – so, we have one final chance to update the directory. The final edition will be sent to printer this afternoon. One error was identified at the meeting and will be corrected as well. Once the directories are printed, the group decided to house some at Englewood Helping Hand and others at the CARE offices in Charlotte County administration building on San Casa.

Discussed distribution and identified some individuals or groups to be sure receive copies, outside of the usual member list and agencies in EARS. Parish Nurses, Case Managers, and Debbie Parker from ECH were several of those identified. Please let Diane know of any agencies or individuals who would benefit from the directory.

Additionally, group determined that it is important that persons who are in need of multiple resources should be given copies by agencies. Because of limited quantities, we need to be deliberate in giving full copies, not just hand out randomly.

Tobacco Grant Planning Update and Confirmation of Plan – Jennifer Perry updated the group on the planning work of the committee who met last Thursday. Discussed some feedback from a local insurer who indicated there is no insurance cost reduction for smoke free environment, but there may be other benefits. The planning group would like to do a business survey, which will help identify what interests businesses have in tobacco-free resources, barriers they may experience, as well as their knowledge of the benefits (employee sick leave, etc) of tobacco-free and drug-free policies. Both health departments, Drug-Free Charlotte County will also be contacted to share information on what was learned. Once the assessment is complete, a plan for how to use the information will be developed. This will be developed with the added component of increasing the visibility of the CHAT in the community, as well as the intended purpose of sharing information on tobacco-free and drug-free workplace policy development. A

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consensus was achieved to accept the plan as developed by the planning committee. They will meet in February and create a Survey Monkey, which CHAT members will be asked to “test”, assuming a role of a local business. This will get the feedback necessary before launching the online survey to the business community.

Sharing Time

Kelly shared information on a program on February 3rd from 10:30-2:30. “Ministry and Memory Loss” – held at South Port Square Town Hall Bldg. 235-7470.

Tidewell has opened a satellite office in Punta Gorda

2nd Annual Pantyhose Free-Zone 2010 Women’s Expo – Cultural Center of Charlotte County – Saturday, Feb. 6th – 9-3pm.

1st Annual Pink Ribbon Brunch – Saturday February 20th 10-1 – Rotonda Golf and Country Club.

THIS SATURDAY - CARE Fund-raiser at 10-3pm – Yoga Sanctuary in Rotonda – lots of events and pampering – <http://www.theyogasanctuary.biz/>

January 30th – CARE Ball - Masquerade Magic – CARE Benefit – call 639-5499 for tickets (\$100 tax deductible) Black Tie Optional
Posters with tear off information on CARE are available to hang throughout community. People can sign up through Disney’s “Give-a-Day-Get-a-Day” to spend time hanging them up throughout area.

CARE is starting a support group for seniors at the San Casa office (50+) on Friday. Also offering one in Punta Gorda.

Charlotte County new building (Loveland) is still scheduled to open in April – will have dental.

Relay for Life Benefit Luncheon “Put Cancer on a Permanent Vacation” on January 28th at 12-2 pm – Suncoast Auditorium call 266-0248. \$20 (100% goes to American Cancer Society) Relay for Life in March 12-13th at Lemon Bay High School.

SCOSA’s Annual Shining Star Luncheon – March 18th – Hyatt Regency in Sarasota – 11:30 am – call 377-7736 – cost is \$50.

Women’s Resource Center – February 4th – Assistance in obtaining scholarships for returning to school at 3 pm – Englewood United Methodist Church. Peer Counseling on Thursdays from 1-4 pm

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“Be My Valentine” Girls Night Out- February 12th at 6-8 pm – at Reflections in Gold 1975 S. Tamiami Trail in Venice. Cocktails, Hors D’Oeuvres, Shopping, Live Entertainment, Gift Bags and Prizes.

Barbie Arbour updated on the Health and Wellness Campus – moving through the architectural concepts and drawings – 30,000 sq. feet for health and human services – Englewood Wellness Campus - November 2011 – is projected completion date. Looking at March to start a capital campaign- have 2.5 million raised.

Rotary offers support to local non-profits

Kids Needs raised over \$8,000 in cash, plus donations of items – email kidsneeds@yahoo.com for information or to refer a need.

Englewood Community Care Free Clinic is opening through a Dr. Chase’s office west of Tiffany Plaza in the near future.

Crop Walk to benefit world food missions and locally – Englewood Helping Hand – on February 27th – call 474-5864 for information.

Englewood Agency Roundtable Meets in February 18th!
Next CHAT Meeting will be March 18th, 2010 – 9:00 am

CHAT is the Community Health Action Team –
<http://www.chip4health.org/englewood.htm>
For More Information - Please Call Diane at:
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