

DRAFT Proceedings Notes
Taking Stock – Provincial Workshop for Safer Communities
April 12, 2007 9:15 to 3:15
Rodd Charlottetown Hotel

Purpose

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- consider next steps

Kits were given to participants at registration that presented summary documents in either English or French. All documents for the event were translated including the power point presentations and worksheets. The translator provided oral bridging translation in English and French during the workshop.

1. Welcome – Getting Connected

Laurie Ann as Project Coordinator opened the event with general welcome notes, a review of the agenda, housekeeping details, introductions of the Management Group and the translator.

Jill, Justice Resource Service provided context with the Joint Management Committee (JMC) and the National Crime Prevention Centre (NCPC). She introduced Minister Dover, Attorney General.

Minister Dover acknowledged participants from across sectors coming together to foster the development of safer communities within our province. She recognized this opportunity to come together to “take stock” of current practices and needs, and building on past success and current knowledge, develop a concrete plan to work together for crime prevention and community safety in the future.

Paul Smith, Chief of Police for Charlottetown, spoke about the national context from the perspective of the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police and the work they are doing on a national comprehensive framework incorporating crime prevention through social development.

Julie Devon Dodd as the workshop facilitator described the process including adult learning, values and strategies from framework and three points of intervention to bring about change – ourselves, our relationships, organizations and systems. Julie led us through an introductions activity at the small tables. This included each table preparing a symbol of safer communities. The symbols were remarkable consistent and included people, hands and community (buildings). These will become part of our webpage.

2. Presentation - What did we learn from communities?

Diane Griffin from the IRIS Group and Laurie Ann McCardle, focus group researcher, presented an overview of their research and findings. Summary documents of the presentations were included in the registration kits. Facilitated discussion at tables focused on the questions, “How does this connect with our experience?” Each table posed one question for the presenters.

3. Framework - The big picture ideas for “Working Together”

Julie explained the draft concepts in the Framework through the worksheet (provided in the registration kit). As an activity, using puzzle pieces (colour-coded to the Framework) participants grouped with each other so that all puzzles had all colours represented in the framework. They talked about the contribution their organization makes to safer communities and to the goals, strategies, risk/protective factors and values.

Lunch

4. Action Plan - Tools of Engagement

Julie led the group through a deeper understanding of more components of the framework and action plan.

5. Presentation - How can we track our progress?

Katherine Clough of the IRIS Group presented the research and findings from Research 2 with time for questions and answers from the audience. A Summary document of the presentation was included in the registration kits.

6. Presentation - How can we do a better job of working together?

Wendy MacDonald of the IRIS Group presented the research and findings from Research 1 with time for questions and answers from the audience. A Summary document of the presentation was included in the registration kits.

7. Feedback - Check-list for Tools of Engagement

Julie continued to work with the participants and the framework and action plan to prioritize individual needs/interests, and to discuss priority areas at their tables, then report back to the large group.

Priority Areas discussed by participants included the following:

- communications (including electronic methods),
- inclusion,
- skill development and training,
- participation in the Atlantic Summer Institute,
- establish a broad-based advisory group,
- more face-to-face networking opportunities on a regular basis,
- leadership and partnership building, and

- sharing knowledge, best practices and resources.

Other Ideas for Activities:

- having a yearly conference,
- having a PEI Crime Prevention Conference,
- Summerside L Division RCMP shares crime information on a bi-monthly basis,
- continue collaboration between community and government, and
- talk to offenders to get their input.

8. Short-term Next Steps: Sign-up Sheets

One key component of Taking Stock is community capacity building for leadership in crime prevention and community safety. In March, 2007 a Leadership Training series was conducted and registration filled quickly. Workshop participants were given the opportunity to pre-register for a repeat of the series in June.

The Introduction to Interest-Based Conflict Resolution training through the Centre for Conflict Resolution Studies at UPEI was also seen to be important training that could be offered as capacity building for safer communities through Taking Stock. Workshop participants were given the opportunity to register for this training.

As part of the next steps for Taking Stock, it was important to explore which organizations would be interested in endorsing the framework, and who would be interested in being part of the Circle of Partners to move the work forward. Workshop participants were given the opportunity to endorse the strategy and sign-up to be part of the network (web-based, newsletter updates, annual report, annual gathering) and to sign-up if they were interested in providing leadership to provincial network by being on the Advisory Group.

This process was very successful and numerous participants registered for training, endorsed the framework, and agreed to be part of the Advisory Committee. The Project Coordinator will use these lists as the foundation of registration to move forward.

Endorsing the Strategy and Joining the Network

Name	Organization/Community	Email Address
Kirstin Lund	Justice Options	kalund@pei.sympatico.ca
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Paul Smith	Charlottetown Police Department	psmith@city.charlottetown.pe.ca

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Leza Matheson-Wolters	Community Member	seaside@pei.sympatico.ca
Paula Finkle	Youth Justice Service, Team West, OAG	plfinkle@gov.pe.ca

Advisory Committee Leadership Role

Name	Organization/Sector	Email Address
Lori St. Onge	Child Find PEI	childfind@pei.aibn.com
Paul Smith	Charlottetown City Police	psmith@city.charlottetown.pe.ca
Olive Bryanton	PEI Centre on Health and Agin	obryanton@upe.ca
Grace Vos	Mi'kmaq Confederacy of PEI	gvos@mcpei.ca
Leza Matheson-Wolters	Community Member	seaside@pei.sympatico.ca

9. Questions/Discussion

Julie guided a general wrap-up of the proceedings.

10. Evaluation / Closing

The project evaluator circulated a written survey to participants to gather opinion on the content of the workshop and what they felt worked well and needed improvement. The full report of the findings can be found in the project evaluation final report.

Appendix A: RSVP List for the Taking Stock Provincial Workshop

No.	Name	Organization
1	Janet McLeod	Women's Peer Support Project
2	Norma Gallant	Evangeline Community Consultative Committee
3	Laurie Ann McCardle	Project Coordinator
4	Julie Devon Dodd	Project Facilitator
5	Val Senterre	In Other Words - Translator
6	Bonnie MacLean	OAG – Justice Resource Service (Registration)
7	Nishka Smith	AEG (Evaluation)
8	Lori St. Onge	Child Find PEI
9	Pam MacKinnon	Probation Services, Summerside
10	Paula Finkle	Youth Justice Service, Team West
11	Jill Lightwood	OAG –Justice Resource Service
12	Ellie Reddin	OAG – Senior Policy Advisor
13	Heather Pierce	OAG – Probation Services
14	Glenda Lutes	OAG – Eastern Youth Justice Service
15	Bill Buell	Community Economic Development
16	Debbie Cullen	OAG – with Ellie
17	Angie MacDonald	Allied Youth – Provincial Coordinator
18	Dr. Alex (Sandy) MacDonald	Eastern School District
19	Beti Andric	Project Web Designer
20	Colette Arsenault	AFAFIPE
21	Barbara Currie	Women's Institute – Provincial Coordinator
22	Paula MacKay	Education
23	Denis Morin	RCMP Liaison Officer
24	Josee Gallant	AFAFIPE
25	Gerry Stewart	Safety Training Coordinator, T&PW
26	Jeanette MacAulay	Deputy Minister, Social Services and Seniors
27	Joan Moore	School Safety Consultant, Provincial School Boards
28	Adeline Trainor	ASI Network member
29	Cathy McCormack	Coordinator – Early Childhood Programs
30	Susan Maynard	OAG
31	Colleen Pelckmann	Child Find PEI
32	Leza Matheson-Wolters	“wears many hats”
33	Karen MacDonald	Provincial Manager – OAG
34	Pat Warren	Program Coordinator – OAG
35	Chief Paul Smith	City of Charlottetown Police
36	Minister Mildred Dover	AG

37	Rosemary Curley	
38	Bonnie Butler	OAG – Team East
39	Annie Boyle	PEI Senior’s Federation
40	David Savoie	ED, CLIA
41	Iris Clark	Senior’s Active Living Centre
42	Natalie LaFrancois	The Quaich, PEI ASI Network
43	Olive Bryanton	Senior’s Active Living Centre
44	Bennett Campbell	Senior’s Active Living Centre
45	Joan Fisher	Senior’s Active Living Centre
46	Hari Boggs	Senior’s Active Living Centre
47	Bob Stranach	NCPC
48	Kirstin Lund	PEI Advisory Council on the Status of Women
49	Rob MacLean	IRIS Group
50	Diane Griffin	IRIS Group
51	Betty Gibbs	Senior’s Active Living Centre
52	Sandra Dunsford	Social Services and Seniors
53	Sybil	
54	June Sanderson	Department of Education
55	Susan Hornby	IRIS Group

Regrets

1	John Dewey	Federation of PEI Municipalities
2	Rona Brown	Premier’s Action Committee on Family Violence Prevention
3	Alma Birt	Seniors Active Living Centre
4	Lori St. Onge	Child Find PEI
5	Dave O’Brien	Crown Attorney – OAG
6	Arlene MacInnis	
7	Sterling Carruthers	Dept of Ed
8	Karen MacDonald	Provincial Manager – OAG
9	Rene Tremblay	Team West - OAG

Appendix B: Participant's Agenda
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9:15	Welcome and Introductions
9:45	Time-line of experiences and safer community activities
10:00	Presentations: What did we learn from communities? How does this connect with our experience? What is one question from the table for the presenters?
10:30	Refreshment break
10:50	Questions and discussion: What did we learn from communities?
11:15	Big picture ideas for Working Together
11:30	Puzzle Pieces Activity: A fun activity to connect with others and talk about the contribution of you/your organization make to safer communities
12:00	Lunch
12:45	Tools of Engagement: Ideas for the next couple of years that can strengthen working together for community safety
1:00	Presentation: What did we learn about how to track progress?
1:20	Presentation: What did we learn about how to do a better job of working together?
1:40	Check-list for Tools of Engagement: Activity to identify individual needs/interests, and to discuss priority areas
2:20	Next Steps: Sign-up sheets for short-term activities
2:30	Questions/Discussion
2:45	Evaluation / Closing