

Agenda  
CITY OF UNION CITY  
Union City Youth Violence Prevention & Intervention Advisory Committee Meeting  
6:00P.M. Wednesday March 2, 2011  
Ruggieri Senior Center 33997 Alvarado-Niles Road  
Union City, California 94587

I. **ADVISORY BODY – Youth Violence Prevention/Measure UU Funds/CalGRIP Grant**

II. **INTRODUCTIONS AND MEETING OBJECTIVES – Jean Harper, Chairperson/Human Relations Commission**

**In Attendance:**

Tony Acosta, Deputy City Manager; Jean Harper, Human Relations Commission; Sergio Abundis, YFS, Case Manager; Fabiola Camarillo, YFS, Employment Coordinator; John Cabrera, YFS, Outreach Staff; Darl Michael, YFS, Outreach Staff; Jonathan Pettey, Human Relations Commission; Emily Duncan, City Council Member; Kevin Harper, NHUSD; Mary Schlarb, COR; Reverend Rick Perry, Pastor's Alliance; Karen Yifru, Community Member; Helia Jackson, Leisure Services Administrative Assistant, and Secretary for the Committee.

III. **Approval of Minutes – January 5, 2011**

John Petty motioned to approve the minutes; Emily Duncan seconded the motion. All approved the minutes.

IV. **Crime Data Analysis Update**

Director Acosta explained that we do not have the crime data analysis information, due to the litigation with the Vernon case. However the information we will eventually receive will be from 2008, and probably not useful. In lieu of probably not receiving this information with the names on CDA, Karen Yifru suggested that we look at a map of Union City to see where crime is occurring.

Discussion included: Karen Yifru asked the Committee to watch Cease Fire Chicago videos, which focus on hot spots and preventive methods to reduce crime and violence; check "Patch" and "Crime Reports" to locate hot spots in Union City; once hot spots have been located, visit the sites and establish a presence, along with the Police Dept., with the youth; Emily Duncan, said that she will ask the City Attorney for assistance in gathering this kind of information; Sergio Abundis, suggested the Committee show the City Council updates and maps of the program's progress, maybe even have staff attend school "expulsions" to reach youth early; Jean Harper will draft a letter to the City Council to address our concerns and ask if our program can be added to a City Council agenda. This letter should be specific about our issues, such as requesting the crime data analysis and not receiving it, and acquiring an incident map; Karen Yifru asked Kevin Harper for school information regarding problem youth; Kevin agreed to look into it.

V. **Review High Risk Youth and Criteria Compilation**

The Committee would like the following information: have high risk youth identified, such as how we serve them, decide which services they receive and how long they are with our program. The YFS staff will compile a decision flow chart as to how many youth we serve and for how long, what services they need, and what city resources are available for them.

Also high risk youth can be identified as those having bad/low grades, wearing gang colors, being disruptive.

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**VI. Review Fiscal Year 2011-12 Budget Development**

Director Acosta handed out the YVPIP program budget for discussion. While there is no change in the FY 11/12, the RDA funding is at risk due to the state budget. One option discussed is to bill medical through contracting with the City of Fremont. Measure AA money is for the general fund and not necessarily for YFS. Director Acosta asked the Leisure staff to implement activities for potential at risk youth, such as arts, music (rap), for after school programs, and see about reopening the Teen Center which is currently closed.

Kevin Harper asked about logging information regarding our program, such as where/how our program is progressing. He also asked that we include in the letter to the City Council, our recommendation to reinstate the Police Dept Data Analyst position that the City eliminated.

**VII. YFS Staffing Update (3<sup>rd</sup> Outreach Worker, Admin Assistant)**

Hiring of the third Outreach worker is in process. Alma Gomez, a Leisure staff employee, will be assisting Fabiola Camarillo with administrative work.

**VIII. YFS Team Update (John, Darl, Sergio, Fabiola)**

YFS staff will create a matrix to show their services with quarterly updates, and capture their client's progress.

March 17 will be another call-in, with Auto Sound and Federico's, Union City businesses, to participate.

Sergio Abundis has a total of (78) cases, with physical contact with (46) cases; (25) cases are call-ins, and (4) are from probation.

John Cabrera is working at the 10<sup>th</sup> St Center. He also spoke/connected with approximately (30) students at JLHS about the program's services and the boxing program. He said the feedback he received from the youth was positive and encouraging.

**IX. Adjournment**

Next meeting is on Wednesday May 4, 2011.