

March 6, 2012

Disabilities Committee of the Napa Valley Coalition of Non-Profit Agencies

ParentsCAN Conference Room

Noon

Present:

Donna Feingold, Moving Forward

Margaret Farman, UCP North Bay

Saenen Kerson, Vine Village

Karen Lustig, Aldea SLS/ILS

Marlena Garcia, ParentsCAN

John Shea, Options 3

Emmy Lesko, Brown Street Gallery

Katie Van Zant, Napa Valley Support Services

Kristin Miller, Moving Forward

Scott Wellington, Becoming Independent

Stacy Lopez, Sparkpoint American Canyon

Sherry Tennyson, American Canyon Family Resource Center

Review of Committee Goals

Donna made suggestion: focus meetings on one issue, invite speakers around that topic, have four focus areas through the year

Margaret suggested: focus on urgent need – developing a “healthy community” white paper 9 in response to ANV funding priorities

First goal of committee: finish paper by next quarter

Develop consistent messaging

John Shea volunteered to draft white paper, community needs assessment will be used

Additional volunteers: Karen, Margaret, Saenen, Sherry will send materials

Bullet points by May 1 meeting

Second goal of committee: set calendar for the year, pick 1 area of focus per quarter, as follows:

March: Transportation

June: Employment

September: Housing

December: Health

Sherry shared information about the Bridges program in San Francisco

Possibility of doing an affiliate program here

Bridges takes a holistic approach to addressing clients' needs, i.e. employment/housing

Early client involvement

Program run under Marriott Foundation

Would like to schedule a field trip to see SF Bridges program

Demographic Survey -

Can be 10 questions on survey monkey

John has subscription to zoomerang – may be a good option to allow for more questions

Bob Phillips – gave update/handed out flyer for Town Hall Meeting –  
Thursday, April 15, State Building, Room 410, 50 D Street, Santa Rosa, 10 am – noon  
Opportunity to speak to legislators  
Important to bring consumers

Karen – gave update on Area Agency on Aging – four forums set up to get input on 4-year plan  
March 15 – 3-5 pm at Napa Valley Hospice  
March 22 – 5:30-7:30 pm at Queen of the Valley  
March 26 – 2-4 pm at Chateau Calistoga  
March 29 – 3:30 – 5:30 pm Rianda House

John Shea – asked about new audit requirement – seeking referrals of accounting firms to do audits

Marlena – April 28 Autism Symposium – if providers want a table, let her know.