

Substance Misuse and Mental Health Alliance Community Awareness Task Force Meeting Minutes – Wednesday, April 17, 2019 2:00-3:00 PM Abrams Public Health Center Room 1104

In Attendance

Heather Paddock, AZ National Guard Counter Drug Task Force Jamal Givens, Child & Family Resources Kevin Abbott, AZ National Guard Counter Drug Task Force Nicholas Cogdall, Pima County Health Department Noel Valle, Pima County Health Department

Welcome

Nic, Pima County Health Dept., welcomed everyone in attendance and a round of introductions were conducted. Because of the low attendance, the agenda was tabled.

Group Discussion

The group recognized that spring is a busy time for many of the action group members and is interested in identifying a new meeting time for the group. Nic will send out a doodle poll to members of the group for best time to meet in May, the Doodle poll can be found here.

The group focused on how to encourage more attendance among community members that are currently on the list serve. Presently, there are approximately 97 individuals on the mailing list, of which 12-15 individuals attend action group meetings on a regular basis. There is a recognition among attendees that there are a number of coalition groups throughout Pima County that are involved in similar activities, as such, it may be useful to have the Community Awareness Task Force align their efforts with an existing action group to cut down on redundancy.

Heather Paddock and Kevin Abbott, Arizona National Guard Counter Drug Task Force, shared that their organization has been expanding its efforts and are offering a variety of supports to community organizations in the area.

General Updates

The group discussed upcoming community events:

- <u>Sunnyside Unified School District Comunidad</u> on May 8th from 5:00-7:00PM at 1725 E. Bilby Road, Tucson, AZ 85706.
- April 27th is the National Prescription Drug Take Back Day. Here is the link the collection site locator.
- Healthy South Tucson will be hosting a Health & Resource Fair at Mission View Elementary (2600 S 8th Ave, Tucson, AZ 85713) from 8:00-1:00PM on Sunday, April 28th.

Next Meeting

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Location: Abrams Public Health Center

Room: 1104

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