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LEAD Task Force Monday, March 25, 2013 Santa Fe Community Convention Center, Coronado Room 201 West Marcy 4:00pm-6:00 p.m. (Note: New room in the Convention Center)

- 1. Call to Order Chairperson Emily Kaltenbach 5 minutes
- 2. Approval of Agenda
- 3. Approval of Minutes
- 4. New Businessa. Community Panel Discussion 4:15pm to 5:15pm
- 5. Old Businessa. Final Report Discussion 5:15pm to 6pm
- 6. Next Meeting April 29, 2013 Or TBD
- 7. Adjournment

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Roll Call	4:00 PM by the Chair Emily Kaltenbach. A	
	quorum was declared by sign in sheet.	
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	as presented, second by Mr. Lupe	
	Sanchez, motion carried by unanimous	
	voice vote.	
Approval of Minutes	Ms. Picard moved to approve the minutes	2
	as presented, second by Ms. Anheles,	-
	motion carried by unanimous voice vote.	
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Community Panel	Mr. Reese Fullerton, Facilitator	
Discussion		
Old Business	Included under Community Panel	10
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Discussion		
Adjournment	There being no further business to come	10
-	before the LEAD Task Force, the meeting	
	was adjourned at 6:15 pm	
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Thank You	To Facilitator and Panel Guests	

LEAD TASK FORCE MINUTES MONDAY – MARCH 25, 2013 CORONADO CONFERENCE ROOM SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 4:00 PM – 6:15 PM

1. Call to order

The meeting of the LEAD Task Force was called to order by the Chair, Emily Kaltenbach at 4:00 pm in the Coronado Room of the Santa Fe Convention Center, Santa Fe, New Mexico. A quorum did exist.

Roll Call

Present:

Emily Kaltenbach, Chair Mayor David Coss Mark Boschelli Councilor Bill Dimas Cathy Anheles Jeneen Lujan Jessica Dimas Jerome Sanchez Krishna Picard Laura Brown Maria Jose Rodriguez Cadiz Pablo Sedillo, III Lupe Sanchez Angela "Spence" Pacheco Steve Kopleman Thom Allena

Not Present

Kathy Armijo-Etre, Excused Yolanda Briscoe, Excused Mary Sky Gray Bennett Bauer Milagro Castillo Michael Delgado Eric Garcia Captain George Ortiz Jayde Archuleta Stephen Branch Marcela Diaz Councilor Patti Bushee Katherine Ferlic Lt. Alfred Perez Eric Garcia Chief Ray Byford Major Ken Johnson Deputy Chief William Johnson Sheila Lewis

Guests

Marilyn Walker Reese Fullerton, Facilitator Veronica Lovato

Others Present:

Anna Serrano for Fran Lucero, Stenographer

Staff Present:

Terrie Rodriguez, Staff Liaison

The Chair described the platform for today's meeting. Allowing time to have an opportunity to hear from the community panel on the model and their reflections. We had also talked about wanting to hear back from the community, reflections and feelings on what we are trying to achieve in order to finalize our report. The Chair introduced Reece Fullerton and Marilyn Walker who are in attendance at today's meeting.

The Chair said that she has received great feedback from the Task Force members on the recommendations that were sent out prior to this meeting. There are some key questions that will require a brief conversation/discussion to make sure that there are no changes on the final

recommendation. In the same packet that the Chair sent out there is a list of sections indicated for the final report and wants concurrence that they are accurate and appropriate. Please note that this document is not for distribution as this is a working copy.

Introduction of members and guests at March 25, 2013 meeting reflected under roll call.

2. Approval of Agenda

Sgt. Sanchez moved to approve the agenda as presented, second by Mr. Lupe Sanchez, motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

3. Approval of Minutes

Ms. Picard moved to approve the minutes as presented, second by Ms. Anheles, motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

4. New Business

a. Community Panel Discussion

Brief Introduction of the Model – Emily Kaltenbach

The Chair asked the Task Force members to chime in if there was anything they wanted to add in order for their guests to have a good understanding of what the model is. It was noted that everyone had before them a list of the recommendations and if in the interim of the meeting anyone would like more discussion or clarification on any item they could reflect on the eligibility criteria and the treatment recommendations. The Task Force has been working for the last 3-4 months on these recommendations; this is an opportunity to test our recommendations.

Introductions/Guests – reflected in roll call list.

The Chair further commented that Reese Fullerton is a very well respected Facilitator.

She also noted that discussion on the model will also be presented at the Santa Fe County Jail and that they would also be able to meet with some individuals who are currently incarcerated.

The Chair stated that the highest property crime rate was in 2011 due to addiction issues in our community. Unfortunately these individuals would enter in to the criminal justice system, they would be arrested, they would be booked in to jail, they may or may not get the appropriate treatment they needed in that setting. They would go through the system and be back in the streets. Days, weeks or months later they would be arrested for very similar offenses so it was a cycle between arrest and addiction. The question we are addressing is how we begin to break the cycle of addiction and incarceration. The Chair said that they had learned about the program in Seattle that was called Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion; (LEAD) and what they were faced with in certain parts of their community very similar issues. Theirs were more issues about business community concerns. They said, what if we, instead of just arresting and booking people in to jail, what if that law enforcement officer had a place to divert that person to so they could instantly be connected with a case manager, they could get their treatment and support that they needed instead of going through that revolving door in the criminal justice system. They are piloting a program in Seattle right now which is about a year and a half in and they have trained officers in one community in the city to divert people right in to that treatment system. They have employment opportunities, job counseling, housing support, food and all of those wrap around services that we know people need to be successful.

This Task Force has spent the last 4 months developing a set of recommendations saying; what is the real issue, the problem in the City of Santa Fe and could we address it in the similar manner. (*Reference made to the detailed flow chart in the packet*). The concept instead of booking people right in to jail that the City of Santa Fe develops a set of eligibility criteria that goes into the door for diverted treatment system. The individual would then have a case manager that would help them through their care plan instead of them trying to figure out how to get all the services that they need; someone could navigate them. Again, this is a high level description of the model.

Sgt. Sanchez commented that ultimately we need to decide as a community that what we are doing isn't working. We in law enforcement see the importance of getting them off the streets, addiction gets worse & worse if we don't take care of the problem.

Mr. Pablo Sedillo talked about what they do inside the facility, Santa Fe County Detention Center; we have a medical team at intake. One of the issues and where we have the problem is that we do a continuous case plan and after that we do a treatment plan immediately. A lot of these are people are in the system quite often. The problem is that they can't sustain the treatment inside the facility so they go back to the same behavior that they had. What the County facility is trying to bridge that gap with what we call wrap around services to make sure that when we do establish a treatment plan that it will follow that individual in the community.

The Chair said that the data they have found is that property crime is more likely correlated with opiate prescription drugs then it is with other drugs. One of the recommendations from the Task Force in the initial stages is that it will focus on those individuals who are struggling with opiate addiction than any other drug. That is one of the criteria and at this point we are looking at the city of Santa Fe with the idea that this model could be enhanced and broadened in additional phases but that is the target population.

Task Force members were urged to ask questions of their guests. What are your feelings about this model, what are the things that come to mind, are we on the right track, is it something from your various perspectives in our community, something that you personally feel would benefit our community. The Chair extended her thanks.

Reese Fullerton, Facilitator

<u>Marilyn Walker</u>: One issue I have heard said here is how the community can support people who are struggling with addiction and when I looked at the flow sheet I saw that there was a box and the last one says, case manager completes assessment and develops individualized care plan. What I would really like to see here is that somehow the community is included in the care plan because when people have community property crimes and have issues with drugs, the way I look at it, they have not only harmed themselves but they have harmed the community. I would like to see some way where the community can be included in the care plan. People who have been offended need to heal and they need to make amends. I would like to see making amends to the community included in this care plan program. In the model that I worked with, the addict would meet with members of the community that would be included in this plan and they would recommend to them how they would make amends. If you have broken in to somebody's house how you can do something for the person that you harmed there. If you sold drugs to kids in that neighborhood how you could make amends to the community somehow. That is what I would like to see and I can't tell from the box if that is part of the plan. If you want to turn this around the community has to heal and they have to support the offender in healing too which is a two edged sword, they are there to help but they are also there to keep an eye on them. The case manager can't possibly keep an eye on all these people all the time so the community would be empowered to watch them and to be somehow a part of this. I don't know if that is part of the care plan, that would be a question I have.

Mr. Fullerton said they would listen from the other two.

Presenter 2: I had a son who was addicted to drugs as well as a daughter who is older and addicted to heroin because of the people she associates with. She met a guy, she never did drugs, she was a cheerleader, she was a basketball and volleyball player, she was a diva in high school – she did it all until she met the guy. He talked her in to trying different things, she went downhill after that. My daughter is like her, she is a success story. She went heavy in to heroine; I am the type of mom that said no way there is no way that drug or anyone is going to take my kids down. I went after the drug dealer myself, he told me I was crazy person, I said, you are not going to touch my child. The Drug dealer came to my house with a gun in his car and I told them I could have law enforcement there in 2 minutes if you don't get off my property, I don't care who you are. I fought for my daughter for 5 years, I fought the community, I fought the drug dealers, I fought her friends and the boyfriends, and I fought the families who hated me because she had gotten in to a car accident. \$500,000 was hers from the car accident and the family, drug dealers were after her for her money, and they stole it. I fought everybody, I didn't give up. One day I prayed and everyone I knew prayed for my daughter. One day out of the blue after not seeing her for 8 months, I didn't know if she was dead or alive, I didn't know where she was at, she finally came home and she asked me for help. She make up her mind, she got on the methadone didn't care for the meth, it didn't work for her, it made it worse. We finally got her in treatment at UNM and she was put on suboxone which did miracles for her. She never burglarized a home but she was with a guy who has a lengthy criminal history that is a well known gang member. She would drive and he would do the burglaries. My daughter today has been clean for years, she made up her mind and said one day, this is it, and I am not doing this. Now she has a high position in the state and I am so proud of her. I loved her, I fought and I fought. I am doing the same with my son. These drug cartels moved in to hurt our kids. In a comment to Emily I have said, the eligibility is 18 - we need to go down more because my son was in 8th grade and these cartels were holding drug parties and introducing heroin into our community for these young kids. They would arrest get out and do it again, by that time these 8th graders were hooked on heroin who are now committing burglaries and you are seeing in and out of your facilities. I worked hard to get my son in to treatment; he has never burglarized that I know of, but he still needs that help. I think that they need to make amends with the community but the community also needs to embrace. If we do not embrace or show love a lot of these people don't have family support, my kids did. They had family support in every way but who is going to support these people who don't have family. I think the age needs to go way down to the age of 7^{th} grade.

Task Force:

Thank you for sharing your information with us. It was the general consensus that it is important for the community to take ownership to this problem.

A different perspective is coming from a father who lost his daughter to drug addiction a little over 2 years ago and it never goes away. As a father I fought very hard for my daughter just as you fought and are fighting for your kids. One of the problems that I always had was the incarceration part of it. Once you become target law enforcement knows who you are and it seemed to me that my daughter as she went through this that law enforcement would stop her for any reason with probable cause. It got to the point that she was always incarcerated, being in jail and going through the system all over again. There is a routine that was going on, and on and on. She went through three different programs; we went through this as a family. She would go through rehab. The problem I would have with rehab, she would go for 6 weeks and she would come out fine and then she would get back together with the bad influences of people she associated with and we would go through the same things. One of the things that I brought up to this Task Force is that we need follow up programs. It is great to send them to rehab and say "oh yea she is in rehab she is going to come out just as good as new and six weeks later we are right back with the same problems." I don't think she was burglarizing houses or anything like this, she was stealing from her sister, she stole from my mom and unfortunately as a family we enabled her. It is \$20 here dad, or \$100 there, it would cost me \$100 to get her car out of hock every time she was put in jail. Law enforcement needs to learn how to deal with these people too and this will be a good program once we get people and law enforcement to recognize that these people do have a problem. Incarceration is not always the answer. One of the questions I have for you is; when you went through rehab how many rehabs did you actually go through.

Response: None. They turned me down because I was always high.

My daughter got on suboxone and it finally got to a point that the doctor was charging her every time she would get a prescription for suboxone. Daddy was paying for it, and it cost a lot of money, suboxone is not cheap. I have a problem with suboxone, I think it is a wonderful drug and if it works it is great but the question I have is; how do they pay for it? They don't work, obviously they can't hold a job, there are so many different criteria and they don't have money to buy it so how do they get it?

Response: Hopefully Medicaid will cover suboxone.

That would be wonderful and would solve a lot of the problems. A lot of the people who I have been in contact with really want the help and want to get off the drugs. My daughter fought to get off the drugs. Unfortunately, by that time she had developed a blood disease that was fatal and she never told us this and when we found out it was too late and we lost her at the age of 32. I commend you for what you have done, I am so proud of you because you have been able to do what you wanted to do and you have accomplished what you want to accomplish. I think you are a model for other kids and I agree with your mom, we need to start this program at a younger age. We have heroin addiction at 13 years old. Mr. Sedillo from Santa Fe County and our District Attorney,

Spence Pacheco knows this and we have a serious problem in Santa Fe with drug abuse. Until we start attacking it we need to get our drug dealers off the street. I know this is not the goal of this task force but I will bring it up in the future in hopes to create another task force so we can send a strong message that we are not going to tolerate this in Santa Fe any longer.

Neighborhood Watch Perspective:

Comment: I am not too sure how involved the community is in your model. If they are involved they can support people that are trying to get help. If you enlisted the community, tried to engage the community with the people who are struggling with this and ask not so much for finger pointing but support, I think you might get it. The community has to take some responsibility for this, it isn't just drug treatment, and it is the community that has been affected by these issues. Property crime, addiction and those sorts of things. If the community is included and they are urged to mobilize and support people, I think that they would do it. I know there are people in my area that would support people who are trying to get off drugs in some way or another. There are enough people that can see that what is happening is not working and would want to help another person.

The Chair asked; if this model had been available at the time for your children or for our guest presenter, would you think this would have been something you wanted to participate in especially during the time where you were struggling with your addiction. If you were offered an opportunity like this would you have participated.

Response: It doesn't occur to you that you want to stop. It got to a point where I was run down where I needed to stop or I was going to die. I knew my mom was saving up for my funeral and that is what triggered me to say no, I need to stop and move forward from this. If that help was there I would have gladly grasped to it. Not just for the short term. Even being sober for 3 years I still have nightmares and the craving. I pray and try to calm down and I ask for that help, I have that support from my family.

Sgt. Sanchez expressed his thanks to our guest today for coming forward and sharing her story. Most of the people he deals with do want to come off the drugs but they don't know what services are out there. It was noted that we need more sober housing in Santa Fe.

The sincerity of our speaker throughout her testimony she said "fight" and "fought" and it is recognized that it is a hard battle. Thank you for trying so hard.

The question was asked; how easy is it to get drugs here in Santa Fe? Drugs are everywhere.

Addicts will tell you whatever you want to hear to get out of a conviction. They really, really want the help.

It was asked what the difference of sober living and sober housing is.

CYFD inspects the home and it was noted that a lot of these individuals don't even have a home.

With all of this information brought forth today, what can we do now? It was also asked, who are the Case Managers?

Sgt. Sanchez said that relapse is part of the disease. A 30 day program is not a good program time line. He also said that you are now seeing who families that are affected, mother, son, daughter, teens.

Mr. Fullerton complimented Sgt. Sanchez and stated that the Task Force is fortunate to have him on the task force; he will make a big difference and make things work. His participation today was inspiring for many reasons and the resources he can provide will help the task force.

The Chair expressed her thanks to Mr. Fullerton for facilitating today.

Recommendation - Changes

The Chair asked; "what did we hear today that either would change some of the recommendations that we have made in our respective work groups or is there something there that we need to add?"

• Need to look at age criteria and figure out how we integrate it in such a way that we can make this program address the needs of the under-aged.

Would the Eligibility Criteria Work Group be willing to reconvene either by phone to discuss this again? It was discussed once before and the Chair could not recall the reasons why we didn't engage the younger age.

It was suggested that this topic could be placed in to Phase II so we could get this part of the program going. We should absolutely look at it.

It was reiterated that we should bring the parents in as the parent suffers with the child and show the parent what is being done and they can help make the decision when they are incarcerated.

Every arrest of a juvenile the parent gets contacted so it is important to include them.

It was noted and reminded that this program is a diversion, parole and probation are involved and when you have an adult you can do the diversion immediately but if it is a child you have to hold the child. This required further discussion.

The juvenile system is completely different from the adult system and if we want to start something and it has to be manageable and successful we need to start with the adult population. It is critical to address the younger age, but we should start with something that is actually manageable. The Eligibility Group can look at this.

It was noted that early on there was discussion about the younger population which also brought up the conversation on where these children would be placed, the housing needs for safety, sober housing. The Chair said she added another box on Family Community Support system and this mentorship, Big Brothers – Big Sister model; we could give some examples in our report of ways to integrate that.

Comment: We also talked early on about when they are contacted by law enforcement before they go home that night or that morning.

In addition, you treat the whole family and possibly add family support.

We talked about the role of media, community participation, to get the word out in the community.

The Chair brought the question back to the group; "that is the goal of the Task Force to figure out how to bring the community in but also educate the community." If you go to the last page in the booklet, these are the sections that we came up with for the final report. Should we add a section for Communication under Recommendations? It will go back to the city, to our Mayor and City Councilors to make a decision.

Does it mean that happens before that occurs or not?

Ms. Rodriguez said that it would be part of the Plan. You would need to have your media/community education built in to the Plan. The Chair said she would add this to the Table of Contents. We do not have a separate work group for media/communications – so the Steering Group can review this topic. Is that ok with the group if the Steering Committee takes that on as an activity and reports back to this group? Yes.

It was recommended that restorative justice also be looked at closely and that we follow through with the importance of it in the plan.

The Chair said that she would send an updated (revised) work plan to all. The Chair asked for volunteers to help define the treatment list. The Treatment work group can also take this on.

The Chair said that the age issue was brought up to be looked at. It was also asked if someone had a DWI in the past would they be eligible. Need to define subsistence dealing, so whether that goes back to the Eligibility Work Group, what does that mean. That will be a question that will be asked for anyone reading that report. The Chair assured that she would specify all of these suggestions in her e-mail. Shoplifting was also brought up as an eligibility criteria but it was not on the list. Paraphernalia was broad and then it was restricted to opiates it was then brought back to be broad. The only concern that was raised there is if we are dealing just with opiates and someone was just arrested for having a crack pipe for example, we haven't set up the model to deal with individual with other addictions other than opiates. The question is; do we want to go back to defining paraphernalia as opiate. If we have broad paraphernalia it opens it up to a broader population of people. It was commented that it has to be broad, there are so many different types of things that they use. Prostitution was not in the eligibility criteria.

It was noted that the addicts are shop lifting to be able to buy their drugs.

Question for the treatment work group, it talks about the probation and parole report. Part of the whole program is that we are not involved in the criminal justice system so we won't need to coordinate with those groups. It was disagreed and stated that we would need to coordinate with them as these individuals will be repetitive in this program. One of the issues was dual supervision. It was noted that more discussion should take place with the office of Probation and Parole to have a clear understanding. The Chair said she would set up a meeting. Councilor Dimas said that he didn't think there would be a Judge that would object to anyone going in to treatment. That is one of the best things you could ask for.

The Chair said, based on another issue, it was suggested to have a meeting with some of the Judges to discuss pre-recommendations. Perhaps include Juvenile Probation and other parties involved.

5. Old Business

a. Final Report Discussion

(Incorporated in above comments.)

6. Announcements

The McCune Foundation has put \$15,000 in for the planning efforts around this. Santa Fe Community Foundation has agreed to do the funding for this. More to come from the Funding Group.

Mr. Pablo Sedillo said that April 1st works for the Warden at the jail. It is open for the full task force; we don't have a time set, if you want to join we need to give them a list so please let the Chair know. There will be three individuals who are presently incarcerated who started with opiate addiction.

7. Next Meeting

The Chair asked if the task force would be willing to meet on April 22nd and everyone was in agreement. This date is changed from April 29, 2013. Thank you to all in attendance today.

8. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Signature Page:

Emily Kaltenbach. Chair

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