



Mission: *To increase the number of families and individuals who are financially stable*

Date: Friday, 3/11/2021
Time: 9:00 – 10:30 am

Location: **Zoom:**
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Meeting Minutes

I. Welcome / Introductions

In Attendance: Madeline DeMarco, Clint Brugger, Connie Carroll, Liz Fuss, Alison Prielipp, Audricka Jacob, Paula Trentman, Angie Shepherd, Ashley Vandenbusche, AJ Evans, Tami Farnum, Todd Ritzler, Collin Keehn, Leslie Love,

II. Review Agenda & Minutes

Clint

The agenda and previous meeting minutes were approved by consensus.

III. Collective Impact Core Updates

Clint

A. Core Concept - [The impact of trauma on organizations](#)

Clint

Take it further by:

- Reading more about the [Sanctuary Model](#) developed by Dr. Sandra Bloom.
- Using [Trauma-Informed Oregon's Screening Tool](#) to see where your organization is at on the process of becoming trauma-informed.
- Talking to your leadership team about using [MDHHS's Becoming Trauma Informed Toolkit](#) for your organization. Clint shared his organization's experience with using this tool and is available to answer questions you might have about adapting it for your own organization.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Tami

Our current bank balance is \$7,184.01. We have allocated \$2,700.00 for mini-IDAs. This results in a remaining balance of \$4,484.01.

V. Ongoing Strategies

A. [Blight Remediation](#)

Everyone

1. What has happened since our last meeting?

- Paula Trentman from the Community Foundation is here to talk about their volunteer center.
- Leslie has met with some groups about blight-specific grant opportunities.

2. What did we learn?

- The Community Foundation houses Volunteer Lenawee, the County's volunteer center. They help folks find volunteers for things or find places for folks to volunteer. They can't do background checks on volunteers. They can advertise volunteer positions and share articles about recruiting volunteers. The State of Michigan provided a volunteer-generation grant, and so Volunteer Lenawee is working to revamp their volunteering website.
- Madeline shared a bit about time-banking with the group. Here are some additional resources if you're interested in learning more:
 - o [Time Banking video](#)
 - o [MI Alliance of Timebanks](#)
 - o [International TimeBanking Day: Speed Time Banking](#)
 - o [TimeBanks.org](#)
 - o [TimeBank helps Detroit residents trade help, goodwill](#)
 - o [Using time as the currency, Michigan communities exchange skills, strengthen bonds](#)
 - o [Southwest Detroit Time Bank](#)
- There are more block grants available than blight-specific grants. These would be grants that would focus on a specific neighborhood and revitalizing that area. The city or the county would apply for these types of grants. There are other opportunities available that are more focused on small businesses and revitalizing the community through that perspective.

3. What are our next steps? Who will take them and by when?

- **Madeline will reach out to Paula about scheduling a meeting to talk more about time-banking.**
- **Clint will talk to CAA's leadership about their experience with community development grants.**
- **Clint will reach out to De'Angelo about sharing the blight remediation proposals and action plans with this group.**

B. Increase Participation in Financial Education Programs

Everyone

1. What has happened since our last meeting?

- Clint has been invited to attend the A3 meeting in March to present about CAA's services.
- The Planning for Success network was focused on Decision Day and job fairs this past month instead of financial literacy and education.

2. What did we learn?

- This has been a busy month for CAA to discuss the financial education series we're planning for the community due to VITA.
- Financial education in the schools will likely not happen this school year. This means we have all summer to create something for the fall!
- Huntington is just waiting for direction for us to start offering some of their programs!

3. What are our next steps? Who will take them and by when?

- **Alison and Tami will connect to move the financial education series forward. This will include inviting Steve Kuiper to participate in these conversations.**

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- **Clint will go to the next Planning for Success network meetings.**
- **De'Angelo will create a community survey to get resident input on potential times and offerings for community financial education trainings.**

VI. New Strategies

A. Any new proposed action items?

Everyone

1. Why is it needed?

Nothing new this month.

2. Does it align with our mission?

N/A

3. Do we currently have the capacity to implement it?

N/A

4. If not, what do we need?

N/A

5. What action steps do we need to take?

N/A

VII. Updates

Everyone

A. Promote expungement – Clean Slate Initiative

Ashley

No updates.

B. End high-interest pay day loans

Clint

No updates.

C. Approve Mini-IDA applications

Tami

There are no Mini-IDAs that need to be approved today. Hopefully we will have some new folks enrolled in this program soon!

D. Recruit volunteers for VITA

Tami

A 12-week training for volunteers is being scheduled. VITA is applying for funding to expand the home heating credit in partnership with DHHS and Consumer's Energy. They are pushing to raise awareness of this and other credits (like the child tax credit) among VITA participants.

Tami will connect with the Dominican Sisters to present about VITA and recruit volunteers. Everyone let Tami know if you have organizations that she can present about VITA and recruit

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volunteers at.
Paula will share some Kiwanis connections with Tami.

- E. Promote professional development among professionals and community members

Clint

No updates.

VIII. **Announcements**

Everyone

A. UWMLC

- a. Connie is retiring in June. She would love to continue her involvement in this group (and maybe become a VITA volunteer) until she retires (and maybe beyond!). Connie will be retiring from the Collective Impact Core though.

Everyone think about who Connie's replacement at the Core will be.

- b. Emergency Food and Shelter dollars allocated to Lenawee County will hopefully be announced soon. Connie will share that information with us as soon as the dollar figures are available.

IX. **Next Meeting: 04/08/2022**

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