

MINUTES OF THE
SANTA FE COUNTY
DWI PLANNING COUNCIL

August 11, 2016

Santa Fe, New Mexico

I. This meeting of the Santa Fe County DWI Planning Council was called to order by Chair Thomas P. Starke at approximately 9:00 a.m. on the above-cited date at County Community Services Department Conference Room, 2052 Galisteo Street, Suite B.

II. A quorum was established with the following members present:

Members Present:

Thomas P. Starke, Chair
Richard De Mella
Erica Abeyta
John Mowen
Jay Spoonheim
Christine Wendel

Member(s) Absent:

None

County Staff Present:

Lupe Sanchez, DWI Program Coordinator
Peter Olson, DWI Prevention Specialist
Rachel O'Connor, Community Services Director
Diolinda Roybal, DWI Program Staff
Jennifer Romero, Teen Court Manger
Jared Mosher, SFCSO

Others Present:

Lisa Howley, BHSD, SBIRT
Maureen Rule, SBIRT/Life Link
Stuart Castle, PIRE (Pacific Institute For Research and Evaluation)
Thomas Grundler, SFPD
Ted Lovato, Juvenile Justice Officer
Shelley Mann-Lev, Santa Fe Prevention Alliance
Shannon Barton, CSV
Tamara Zawistowski, Citizen

Those present introduced themselves.

III. Approval of Minutes: July 14, 2016

Chair Starke offered a correction to an event date.

Mr. De Mella moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Mrs. Abeyta seconded and the minutes were unanimously approved as corrected.

IV. Approval of Agenda

Mr. De Mella moved for approval and Mr. Spoonheim seconded. The agenda was unanimously approved as published.

V. Matters from the Council/Action Items

A. Follow-ups from previous meetings

Chair Starke called the Council's attention to the strategic plan included in the packet and which will be coming before the Board of County Commissioners at some point in the future. He asked the Council to consider a letter to Christus St. Vincent encouraging expansion of SBIRT to other parts of the hospital, including the emergency department. Chair Starke noted there have been three DWI fatalities in the county this year. Deputy Mosher pointed out there was a head-on involving great bodily harm the previous day. Mr. Sanchez said they received a report of one in Nambe.

B. Announcements

Ms. Wendel said Recovery Santa Fe will be holding their third annual recovery celebration in late September and cards were distributed with pertinent information.

Mrs. Abeyta stated she met with Carmen Henan the dean of Student Life at IAIA and Counselor Greer McFadden who will be joining in the prevention initiatives.

VI. Information Items

A. SBIRT

Lisa Howley, Behavioral Health Services Division, stated the program is doing well and over 15,000 screens have been conducted on the various sites, exceeding projections. She stated Life Link has done exceptionally well, as has Esperanza in Española.

Maureen Rule said Santa Fe Life Link works with the emergency room at UNM, First Nations Community Health Services in Albuquerque, Christus, Aspen Medical Center and Entrada Contenta. Additionally, they are looking into the Santa Fe Indian Hospital. Life Link conducted 12,310 surveys with questions about substance abuse and mental health issues which generally go hand in hand. She mentioned there is a dearth of services and therapy in the area. SBIRT can provide immediate access, with up to 12

sessions. She pointed out they are able to catch people who have never previously been asked about issues in their lives.

Ms. Rule described the model as “ mental aikido” making use of the client’s natural motivations. They do brief interventions which can be followed by brief therapy or referral. She gave examples of success stories.

Ms. Howley said they advocate for the clients and can help with financial aspects.

Mr. Mowen asked if there was an evaluation/research component and Ms. Rule said UNM is in charge of evaluation and there are follow-ups with gift cards for participation. They use DCI, the Data Collection Instrument, a version of the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA), necessary for federal grants. Ms. Howley said the follow-up includes DCI and client satisfaction components.

Ms. Rule described the questionnaire and process, which can include a warm handoff to a peer support worker or therapist. SBIRT doesn’t take referrals. She said they just finished the third year of the five-year grant and Ms. Howley listed the number of screens per facility.

Chair Starke noted the program could be relevant to DWI in that people who may be binge drinkers or have problematic drinking behaviors could be discovered. He asked about the future of the program after the grant expires. Shannon Barton said they have had conversations about continuation and expansion of the program. The provider response has been very positive. The recently completed CSV needs assessment has established a priority on drug and alcohol dependence, so there is a good chance the SBIRT program will be continued.

Ms. Wendel asked if it could be extended to private physicians’ offices or faith-based entities. Ms. Howley stated the SAMHSA grant requires the screening take place in a medical setting, however, they use whatever the community has to offer, depending on the preferences of the client.

Chair Starke lauded the program and said they would like to have an update in three to six months, and Ms. O’Connor said the Community Services Department is very interested in SBIRT and could potentially provide funding.

B. Alcohol Outlet Density

Chair Starke referred to the information sheet in the package. He said the two factors that have the greatest impact on alcohol abuse are the price of alcohol and the density of availability. He also spoke of graphs that were distributed showing numbers of alcohol-related deaths, and data on where alcohol is obtained in the community. A discussion ensued regarding dealing with establishments with a record of overservice. Mr. Sanchez noted Pojoaque has a high incidence of DWIs. He also noted Uber is having an effect on the number of calls for cab ride homes, since Uber tends to be quicker.

Chair Starke said the Special Investigation Unit (SIU), which is a branch of the State Police, is responsible for enforcing regulations on bars and restaurants. Ms. Zawistoski asked about breathalyzers in bars. Mr. Sanchez said this can have unintended effects. Ms. Mann-Lev said bars need to be held liable and there must be economic consequences. SFPA holds responsible beverage service trainings with SIU. She noted two new bars were coming on line this month. She added, “Uber rewards overservice,” harm reduction notwithstanding.

C. NM Crisis and Access Line Pilot Project

Chair Starke announced the advertisements for the hot line for relatives of alcohol abusers were ineffective. Mr. Sanchez said there was very little response.

D. Law Enforcement Meeting Update

Peter Olson reported that the district attorney says the Española magistrate court is working better, with more people showing up and getting adjudicated. Thirty percent of people convicted of DWI in Santa Fe County are from Española or Rio Arriba County. A checkpoint is due to be held in that area soon. Mr. Olson stated Tesuque Tribal Police want to get involved in the checkpoints.

E. Coordinator’s Report

Mr. Sanchez reported that he and Chair Starke met with Luis Sanchez in Rio Arriba County to discuss law enforcement efforts. A joint meeting is being planned to emphasize the Pojoaque/599 area. Los Alamos might be included as well. The Right Turns program and urine testing will be discussed. Additionally, the DWI Program has offered Right Turns to municipal court, and District Family Court may be added in the future.

The strategic plan has been forwarded to Ms. O’Connor and Patricia Boies for review and from there it will go to the County Manager and Deputy County Manager. After that it will go to the BCC.

Mr. Sanchez said fees for the compliance program – \$15 to \$50 – have generated money that they are looking to use. The request for a vehicle was denied and they are now looking into funding a position for someone to supervise those awaiting trial. This would cut down costs for electronic monitoring. Chair Starke said this was a good idea because it is common for people who have gotten one DWI to get more while waiting adjudication, often due to stress.

F. Behavioral Health Alliance Update

Chair Starke noted the Alliance is rolling out SAMHSA’s four-hour trauma-informed response training for everyone in the criminal justice and treatment systems. Mr. Sanchez said one of the compliance staff has taken the training and will provide it to others on staff.

MIHO – the Mobile Integrated Health Office has begun to concentrate on the most difficult cases using collaboration of various agencies.

Chair Starke said Miguel Chavez led the Commission in launching a bond issue for \$5 million for an Edgewood Health center and a triage center for people in crisis. Deputy Mosher said this would give law enforcement another option of where to take someone. Ms. O'Connor said a consultant has been hired to do a business plan for the triage center. It has yet to be determined whether it will serve only adults.

G. Santa Fe Prevention Alliance Update

Ms. Mann-Lev reported the following:

- The organization continues to promote the benefits of increased alcohol pricing through the Alcohol Taxes Saves Lives initiative. She urged Council members to attend a presentation in Taos on August 23rd. The BCC will be considering a supporting resolution
- Four new interns have been selected for the high school SWAT program and there will be an intensive training, emphasizing social media
- Life of an Athlete program is back and advertising at athletic events is contemplated
- Literacy on alcohol and opioids will be included in high school health classes
- Information is being collected to inform the City Council on local alcohol policy; a bar is seeking a zoning exemption in the Agua Fria area which could set a bad precedent
- Overdose prevention continues with efforts to provide Narcan to first responders

VII. Miscellaneous

A. Agenda Items for Next Meeting

- Strategic Plan discussion

VIII. Public Comment

None were offered.

IX. Announcements

Next Planning Council Meeting: September 8, 2016

X. Adjournment

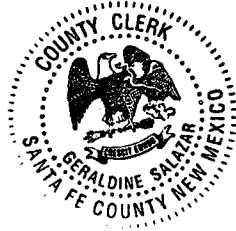
Having completed the agenda and with no further action to come before the Council, Chair Starke declared this meeting adjourned at approximately 10:30 a.m.

Approved by:

Thomas P. Starke
Thomas P. Starke, Chair
DWI Planning Council

Respectfully submitted by:

Debbie Doyle
Debbie Doyle, Wordswork



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