

NavCo Coalition Against Drug Abuse

Coalition of Concerned Navajo County Residents Banned Together to:



- EDUCATE the Community on drugs & the methamphetamine crisis
- REHABILITATE those who have fallen into the addiction
- ENFORCE laws pertaining to the spread of drugs & meth in our communities

Steering Committee Meeting Minutes April 3, 2007, Show Low Public Library

1. State Grant Disposition
 - a. Final funding from Phase I state grant budget was disposed through the purchase of a presentation laptop and projector, yet to be delivered by the Sheriff's Department to the coalition.
 - b. Kirk Grugel advised status of state grant award, \$30,000, notified on March 30. Phase II grant will be administered via Court Administration, Bobbi Ortega, supervised by Grugel. Consequently, Coordinator contract was renewed for grant term.
 - c. \$5,000 funds previously granted by Sheriff's Office from the \$92,475 county allocation for Meth Interdiction Programs was revoked and diverted to the county's participation in the Arizona Meth Project.
2. Coalition status
 - a. To apply for federal grants and to approach community for funding, we will be required to expand our scope beyond meth. Right now, while we only have Phase II state funding, we will continue to focus on meth. But name change reflecting a wider focus is essential for Drug Free Community Grant application. Thus, we will rebrand, henceforth, as NavCo Coalition Against Drug Abuse
3. Concept for county-wide coalition partnering w/tribes
 - a. Due to overlaps in tribal and county grant distribution, we need to extend to the tribal areas. All-in-all there are \$120,000 in the county from state grant funds.
 - b. Navajo Nation requests April 5 visit for coalition building & information on possible extension of 2006 AYS via Phil Stephenson of Az ACJC who conducted the survey.
4. Grant writing DFC—still seeking assistance to meet deadline of April 17. Mary Jeanne Munroe is donating grant-writing services for this 5-year, \$100,000/year grant. We need to expand scope to multiple drugs for consideration.
5. 5013c status for "Friends of the Coalition"—Kirk is taking over this task and seeking pro bono assistance from local law firm. Essential to execute this status immediately for fund raising potential.
6. Media Lunches were a tremendous success with great engagement from participants and significant press coverage. Radio PSAs are running 5x daily on Majik and QCountry. Print PSA has run in Winslow paper. No other PSA reports yet.
7. Surveys—Arno still working to get David Nuri up from Tucson PD to get the crime tracking software. Arno & Kim have not been able to meet to discuss expanding crime stat tracking survey.

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8. School in-services accomplished for Show Low, Blue Ridge, Snowflake. Request pending from Northern Arizona Academy. Joe City reportedly interested but no initial contact yet.
 9. Coordinator's Report Debe Campbell
 - a. Newsletter II—drafting and need to print by mid-April
 - b. Gifts for panel—sent letters requesting dinner for two to ±30 area restaurants. Have received 5 vouchers so far. These are to express thanks to people who participated on panels. Need help in follow up phone calls to remaining restaurants.
 - c. Chambers of Commerce Memberships—already joined Pinetop-Lakeside and spoken to Show Low chambers. Committee approved membership as networking and fund-raising mechanisms. Meanwhile, following events already scheduled for Pinetop-Lakeside Chamber:
 - i. Business Matters: airs on CTV4 on April 14, 10 am; April 15 at 3 pm; April 16 & 19 at 5 pm; and Radio 970 AM/1270 am on April 15 at 8:30 am.
 - ii. April 27: 7:30 am Perk Up at White Mountain Theaters. We will have 3 min to speak and set up display.
 - iii. June 7: 4:30 pm Ribbon Cutting at chamber, in front of display booth.
 - d. Blue Ridge exit programs
 - i. May 9 confirmed for 6th grade: panel of Sandy, Steve and awaiting confirmation from Show Low School Probation officer Steve Julian. Modified DVD and specialized power point.
 - ii. TBA May: high school, “Scared Straight” program. Judge Nielson has approved furloughing meth prisoner to speak to students. We still need panel planned for this event. Will show DVD and power point as well. Remain awaiting confirmed date from BRSD
 - e. Elder Abuse Conference, May 15
 - i. Panel for event: Elaine to address elder issues; Kay Schweppe to represent Kinship Care; Sgt David Sergeant can not participate— need to confirm law enforcement officer
 10. Apache county MOU—long awaited MOU was initiated with Apache County to work together to the greatest degree possible. Final document remains forthcoming.
 11. Partnership for a Drug Free America training in Phoenix April 24—Debe and KC Clark have been invited. Have also asked if other representatives may participate, including members of Navajo Nation and WMAT.

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