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January 10, 2024 Meeting Minutes

The meeting began at 9:04

2:16 Rhea Hayes demonstrated the new Partnership website (www.waynepartnership.org), launched January 9th. She stressed that it is still a work in progress. Any errors or concerns should be addressed to David (<u>info@waynepartnership.org</u>) for correction.

4:11 Jay discussed the function of work groups and the Partnership in general, and then displayed the calendar of Partnership and work group meetings for 2024. The list can be found at www.waynepartnership.org/calendar.

7:46 Next, Jay discussed the March 13, 2024 Partnership meeting. We will be taking a look at what our Partners are doing and what is working.

11:08 The Partnership is assembling a database of volunteer opportunities and volunteers to match up.

11:38 David Englert talked about volunteers at food distributions and available food resources within the county. See www.waynepartnership.org/food-resources for more information.

14:05 Jay resumed talking about volunteering and how to register for the database.

14:29 Jill Harper discussed EmpowerME Day (formerly "Girl's Night Out"). This is an activity- and information-filled fun event for Wayne County 10th grade girls. There are limited opportunities for agencies to table or get their print collateral into gift bags for the participating girls. Please contact Jill if interested in helping, donating, or tabling with this event in April.

18:13 The 8th Grade Career Carnival is returning in the fall. Please contact Jeremy Hughes or Chris Edgar if interested in helping, donating, or participating in this event in September/October.

18:37 The Youth Leadership Forum is being held in April. Details forthcoming.

20:07 Jay introduced Partnership Co-Chair, Ed Hunt, to give a brief overview of Wayne Behavioral Health.



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27:47 Ed introduced Molly Pulinski, who introduced the WBHN's updated Resource Guide. Limited print guides will be available at WBHN. Electronic versions are available, at https://web.co.wayne.ny.us/727/Basic-Needs. Corrections and updates can be sent to Molly. Systems of Care website is also available at https://web.co.wayne.ny.us/727/Basic-Needs. Corrections and updates can be sent to Molly. Systems of Care website is also available at https://web.co.wayne.ny.us/726/System-of-Care. This resource combines information and links to help coordinate efforts and initiatives within Wayne County.

36:26 Jay mentioned that we examined Evalumetrics Youth Survey data at our August and October meetings. The four risk factors that kept rising to the top of that data set were:

- Lack of opportunities for involvement in the community
- Sensation seeking
- Low neighborhood attachment
- Lack of commitment to school

Getting students and families to volunteer will instantly improve three of the four risk factors.

38:15 Jay introduced 2-1-1 and Together Now.

40:31 Angee Brown, from Together Now discussed the work they have been doing with 2-1-1 in order to collect and organize available resources in Wayne County.

44:49 Kayleigh Roderick from the Greece Central School District talked about how the Together Now product (My Wayfinder) has been a useful tool in her work.

53:38 Angee gave an overview of the My Wayfinder product.

Attendees separated into breakout rooms to discuss specific issues.

Meeting ended for all at 10:35.