



WEST VAN FOR YOUTH COMMUNITY MINUTES

Tuesday, January 9th, 2018

4-5:30 PM

Discovery M.S.

Present: Leanne Reid, Christopher Belisle, Gloria Dominguez, Amy Merfeld, Norm Johnson, Tina Johnson, Angela Riddle, Jesse Sawyer, Jim Schwartz

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	DECISIONS, ACTIONS, ASSIGNMENTS
<p>Welcome and Introductions</p>	<p>All Are Welcome. We meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 4-5:30 at Discovery during the school year. West Van for Youth (WVY) builds community to promote healthy choices and reduce substance misuse and abuse among youth so our young people can grow into thriving and productive adults. WVY is a community coalition of interested individuals, public and private agencies, and students in West Vancouver who are working together to reduce underage alcohol and marijuana use. Engaged community. Healthy youth. Bright futures.</p>	
<p>Presentation: Cannabis Conversations</p>	<p>Leanne Reid, Prevent Coalition Co-Coordinator, presented on the Cannabis Conversations toolkits located on the Prevent Youth Now website https://www.youthnow.me/parents/cannabis-conversations/.</p> <p>Link to Cannabis Conversations Presentation: https://prezi.com/leybddf4qf3l/cannabis-conversations/?utm_campaign=share&utm_medium=copy</p> <p>Additional Resource: https://www.drugabuse.gov/ https://www.starttalkingnow.org/ https://goodtoknowcolorado.com/</p> <p>Cannabis Conversations Toolkits are meant to support adults (parents, educators, health professionals and more!) in talking with youth (children, students, mentees, etc.) about what marijuana is, how it's used and how it impacts young people's bodies or their futures. The toolkit was made after Prevent recognized young people are having conversations- they are savvy and are talking about cannabis already. If we know they are talking about it, why not be prepared to guide the conversations ourselves? Invite youth to speak about cannabis and be prepared using the toolkit. All resources are available at the website listed above. There are separate toolkits based on topic and age of conversation participants. Spanish Cannabis Conversations Toolkit Available as well.</p> <p>Tips: Start conversation by laying Cannabis Conversations handout on the coffee table. - Think about what your young person is asking. Is it connection? Facts? Direction? Etc. – Say Marijuana Retailer instead of Recreational</p>	<p>ALL- Visit Prevent website and download Cannabis Conversation Toolkits</p>

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	<p>Marijuana Shop. – Have your child build connections with other supportive adult to help and send the same message you are sending about marijuana prevention.- Listen as much as you talk. – Set clear rules and expectation for your family. “Some families..... in my family marijuana use is not ok.” Let them know where you stand.- Remember scaretactics are shown to be ineffective.-</p>	
Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steering Committee Open Seat in near future. If interested in getting more involved in the coalition let a current Steering Committee Member or coordinator know! The Steering will follow the outlined bylaws and will use a formal nomination and voting process to fill the open position. • Incredible Years registration is full! We sponsored ten seats for the training. Good job! • Prevention Policy Day- On Monday January 15th youth members of STASHA are going to Olympia to present recommendations to legislators on further restricting vaping laws in regards to advertising policy. They are asking legislators to align vaping external building advertisement policy (currently there are no advertising restrictions) with marijuana advertisement policy (which is very strict and specific). If you are interested in attending, WVY encourages you to schedule a meeting with your senators/representatives and meet us there. Visit www.app.leg.wa.gov/districtfinder to locate your legislators. • Put Youth First Event- Our Key Leader orientation event is February 1st 3:30pm-5:30 pm. Elected Officials, School Leaders, P/I’s and coalitions from around Clark County will discuss prevention, policy, how to collaborate and how to move forward in the future. • Save the Date- Teen Care Too Summit on Friday, Mar. 23rd at Clark College • Winner Announcement- Gloria returned the most Community Surveys and won a prize, Norm won a second place prize. Thank you and congrats! 	<p>ANY- Email a Steering Committee member if interested in joining</p>
Website Workgroup	<p>Christopher made a draft version of our coalition website based purely on other coalition websites. At our last coalition meeting WVY members provided feedback, which Christopher has included in the latest version of the website. Note this URL will likely change but please visit: www.westvanforyouth.weebly.com to view the draft and provide feedback.</p> <p>Members are asked to submit content to be uploaded on the website. Many areas of the website are blank/temporary.</p> <p>Action Steps/Volunteer Opportunities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Write descriptions of projects + pictures of events (About Our Projects page) • Provide quality pictures of people + titles + sectors (About Our People page) • Wrote descriptions of ways to take action in community + relevant research (Take Action page) 	<p>CB- Revise website with recommendations</p> <p>Any- Join the website workgroup</p> <p>Any- provide CB or AG with website recommendations</p> <p>Alaina- Create a workgroup for</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide list of resources- do you have resources you want displayed on the website? What are they and how should they be displayed? • Provide quality background photos (HD, DSLR) if you don't like the ones currently on the website OR offer specific guidance on what you'd like Christopher to replace current photos with • Collect quotes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Community leaders on importance of prevention ○ Stories from our members of why they got involved ○ Quote/testament on the impact of one of our events from community or coalition member • Rewrite any of the placeholder text currently on the website, or menu titles, etc. <p>Meeting Member Feedback on Website:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add logo to the top of the website page • Use WVY branding colors • Use WVY branding text • WVY bios is a good idea, bio photos are optional, photos can be professional or of us doing hobbies • Add a quote from a community leader • Add to each project description a link to submit questions • Add Incredible Years to the projects page • Borrow Resource list from Prevent Coalition • Calendar can be color coded for WVY events, community events, other coalition events etc. • Add statistics and outcomes, data, outreach # etc. to projects page • Page in Spanish • When finished share website on Nextdoor <p>A work group was formed to advance website development. Stay tuned for further details and workgroup meeting times. (Gloria, Angela, and Christopher)</p>	<p>website development</p> <p>Alaina- Contact Heidi at ESD to walk us throughout branding</p> <p>Alaina- Present WVY to the Vancouver City Council</p> <p>Alaina- Search documents for Heidi's contact information (past FCR and currently works with NAMI) and invite to WVY</p>

Next Full Coalition Meeting:

Tuesday, February 13th from 4-5:30pm @ Discovery