

**Partnership for a Healthy Durham
Mental Health Committee
7/21/2022
Minutes
Zoom**

Meeting Outcomes:

- Youth centers and mental health (Angela)
- 988- Resources
- Community event related to mental health- destigmatizing mental health and resources. Also have a smash zone and offer mental health resources.
 - Connect with the community

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| Participants: Angela Nunn (Durham County Youth Home), Jane Crowder, Kimberly Monroe (Duke Health), Ashley Bass-Mitchell, Bria Miller, Natalie Thompson, Maura Matney, (Durham Pediatrics), Jess Bousquette,Carolynn Crowder (Lincoln Community Health Center), Alex Hails (Duke Health), Manjari Kumarappan (DCo PH Fellow), Raven Brooks (community member) | | | |
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| Agenda Items | Major Discussion Points | Recommendations | Action steps and responsible persons |
| Icebreaker | What are you looking forward to in this new fiscal year? | | |
| Review Minutes from June | The minutes are approved. | | |
| Durham County Youth Home, <i>Angela Young,</i> <i>Executive Director</i> | <p>Guest Speaker Angela Nunn is the Executive Director of Durham County Youth Home. Children ages ten to eighteen occupy the beds while waiting for their cases to be heard in court. A new facility recommendation report was submitted in 2018. This is a secure custody detention facility. At the current facility, you can only be seen if you are detained.</p> <p>This facility was built in 1983. They completed a building assessment and site assessment. The plan to increase bed space needs due to the raise the age changes.</p> <p>Additions include accommodations such as visitation chairs and tables for families, separate housing rooms with day rooms, showers, and laundry onsite. There is a new floor plan drawn that includes more space and</p> | The community can offer supports by volunteering, sharing their expertise with the children. | |

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| | <p>amenities. This is estimated to open fall of 2023. This is 45,000 square feet and will have 36 Beds. They are looking to partner with departments in Durham.</p> <p>This building will include an assessment center for juveniles and families in crisis, allowing them to work with families and connect them to educational and mental health resources. Those who work with families will be called system navigators, hopefully with varying hours of operation. Anyone can refer a youth or family to the center. People can also self-refer. Staff plans to use evidence-based risk assessments to identify needs. This is for everyone, court involved and not court involved.</p> <p>Partners include Alliance Behavioral Health, Department of Juvenile Justice District 14, Project Build, Department of Social Services, Department of Public Safety, Juvenile Crime Prevention Council, and My Brother’s Keeper.</p> <p>Questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What work are you doing with the faith community? Are there things that group can help you with or advocate for? <p>Answer: They are open to any opportunities to engage with communities. They want this to be a resource hub. Feel free to reach out and connect.</p> <p>Having bilingual staff is a priority. This facility should be large enough to host all Durham youth who must be detained. They are working to be more trauma informed and are using best practices.</p> <p>The idea is to provide services to children before they are in the system. They will be able to triage when children and families come in. If someone has a severe issue, they cannot provide the services but will refer them to the services needed.</p> <p>The youth home has no contact with children once they have been released. After that, the care is handled by probation officers. They currently only provide services while the children are detained.</p> | | |
| <p>988</p> | <p>Several materials have been released since the launch of the line. They are swamped right now and haven’t yet been able to join our meeting.</p> <p>The committee has additional questions about the 988 telephone line:</p> | | <p>Bria will draft these questions along with the others and send them to Lisa</p> |

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| | <p>If someone under age 18 calls the line, can they talk to someone and can they be connected to resources?</p> <p>If a young person calls the line and they disclose abuse or neglect, will the person answering the phone have to report it?</p> <p>Will those who answer the phones call the police for certain calls/requests?</p> <p>Are bilingual folks answering questions and is there messaging in Spanish?</p> <p>How and where is the line being advertised?</p> <p>If a therapist/counselor/professional calls to report abuse/neglect/etc. is the call anonymous or will it be connected to them? What does that look like?</p> | | <p>DeCiantis with the Department of Health and Human Services.</p> |
| <p>Community Connection</p> | <p>The committee would like to host a community event focused on destigmatizing mental health and resources. This would include a smash zone and offer mental health resources.</p> <p>We were invited to have a table at National Night Out August 7, 3-7pm at Cornwallis. Raven Brooks is interested in helping to table event.</p> | <p>Find partners for the event.</p> | |
| <p>Next meeting: Thursday, DATE 8/18/2022 2:00 - 3:00 pm</p> | | | |