

South Coast Task Force on Youth Gangs Leadership Council

Finished Agenda

November 10, 2010
3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Emergency Operations Center
Fire Station No. 1
121 West Carrillo Street

X **Helene Schneider**, Mayor, City of Santa Barbara
X **Roger Aceves**, Councilmember, City of Goleta
X **Claudia Armann**, Appointee, Santa Barbara County
Foundation Roundtable
X **Bill Brown**, Sheriff, County of Santa Barbara
X **Salud Carbajal**, County Supervisor,
County of Santa Barbara
X **Gregg Carty**, Mayor, City of Carpinteria
Asael Cervantes, Youth Representative
X **William Cirone**, Superintendent, Santa Barbara
County Education Office
X **Jon Clark**, Appointee, Santa Barbara Foundation
Roundtable

X **Janet Wolf**, County Supervisor, County of Santa Barbara
James Herman, Presiding Juvenile Judge, Santa Barbara
Superior Court
X **Father Rafael Marin-Leon**, Reverend, Faith Community
Representative
X **Kate Parker**, Board Member, Santa Barbara School
Districts
Alex Pulido, Board Member, Carpinteria Unified
School District
Gerardo Ricardo, Community/Family Representative
Luis Villegas, Vice President, Hispanic Chamber of
Commerce
Henry Yang, Chancellor, University of California, Santa
Barbara

- 1. Call to Order & Welcome** - Co-Chairs J. Wolf and H. Schneider welcomed the members and gave introductory remarks.
- 2. Roll Call, Self Introductions/New Members** – Roll call was taken as well as self introductions of all attendees. X denotes members present.
- 3. Updates** – Received updates.
 - Fund Raising – Combined contributions from the County of Santa Barbara, City of Santa Barbara, City of Goleta, City of Carpinteria and Community Action Commission, totaling \$177,615. Mayor Schneider announced that the McCune and J.S. Bower Foundations granted an additional \$17,000 to the effort.
 - Host Agency Memorandum of Understanding – The Memorandum of Understanding for the Community Action Commission to serve as the host agency for the Task Force Coordinator has been signed by the County and cities and is being amended to add the City of Carpinteria.
 - Task Force Coordinator – Approximately 80 applications from coast to coast were received. There were 10 candidates interviewed with three finalists selected for final interviews. The Final Interview Panel made a unanimous recommendation and final negotiations are in process with the successful candidate.
 - Next Steps - A reception for the successful candidate will be held before the end of the year and they will report to work in December.

4. Client Services Update – Received presentations.

- CalGRIP, Intervention and Education – *Fred Razo, Administrator, Juvenile Court and Community Schools, Santa Barbara County Education Office, gave a presentation updating the Council on the CalGRIP efforts. Through open communication, collaboration and coordination with County Probation, Santa Barbara County Education Office, CAC, CADA and the Santa Barbara School District 146 youths have been served. Saul Serrano and Kristy Renteria, CAC Case Managers spoke about their work as part of the CalGRIP team and the importance of continuing to work together to serve the youth in the community.*
- CalGRIP Prevention – *Shereen Khatapoush, Director of Youth Services System, Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, Fighting Back, gave a presentation to the Council on the Summer Bridge Program. The four week intensive program was held at Santa Barbara Jr. High for at risk youth transitioning from 6th grade to Santa Barbara Jr. High.*

5. Law Enforcement Update – Received updates.

- Santa Barbara Police – *Sgt. Bernie Gaona updated the Council on current gang activity in the City. Currently the number of incidents is down but number of violent offenses is up.*
- Sheriff - *Sgt. Wright gave an update on gang activity in the County. They are also experiencing an increase in violent activity, especially in the North County. Additionally gang affiliation is now being hidden or denied because of greater sentencing penalties for gang involvement.*
- Probation Departments – *Kim Densmore, Probation Manager Juvenile Field Services, gave the Council an update on the number of active juvenile cases countywide and in the South Coast. She also provided information about the programs and services they provide as well as areas where they have identified gaps in services.*

6. Meeting Calendar – Distributed meeting dates set for 2011.

7. Public Comment – None.

8. Adjournment of Meeting – Adjourned at 5:25 p.m.