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Norfolk Reentry Council Meeting Minute
September 20, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.
Workforce Development Center

Attendees -- 25 people:

Alfye Ingram (Adult Community Supervisors); Alfred Betts (Aids Resources); Joy Sullivan (Child Support Services); Marlene Bright (Commonwealth Attorney); Paula Dillion (Community Release-DOC); Rachel Greenberg (Community Services Board); Heather Harris (Community Solutions); Emary Ray (ER); Yohance Goodrich (DARS); Bob Edwards (Greenville); Demetrius Granger (Hampton and Medical Center); Peggy Murvin (Newport News Sheriff's Office); Madonna Flores (NDHS); Sharonda Banks (NDHS); Chiquita West (NDHS); KT Nguyen (NDHS); Melissa Cooke; Kathryn Hall (Norfolk Probation and Parole); Penny Witcher (Norfolk Probation and Parole); Diane Murray (VEC); Johanna Winters (VA Veterans Family Support); Anne Dukes (FBOP); Allen Church (THRLC Inc.); Bernard Washington (Washlives); Runell Washington (AN & W).

Program Updates:

- DHS Programs – Re-Entry T.E.A.M. Services by Madonna Flores: Gateway Academy needs referrals and a new enrollment is coming soon.
- Child Support Services – Eastern Region includes VA Beach, Chesapeake, and Norfolk; family engagement; mental health; resource development- giving bus tickets, clothing, etc. for employment purposes; TANF Debt Program helping with child support debt for returning citizens.
- Institutions – Try to register about 3,000 inmates for Medicaid with average 15 people per week.

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- P&P – Norfolk is the largest district with re-entry population and with Medicaid applications.
- Veterans – No updates
- Others – Newport News Sheriff's Office will hold a 2019 Peninsula Re-Entry Summit on Sept. 26, 2019 at Ivy Baptist Church in Newport News. This event is hosted by the Hampton and Newport News Re-Entry Councils. Federal Bureau Prison: there will be a Re-Entry Job Fair on November 6, 2019 in Hopewell, VA. Chesapeake day services program for people who is homeless. They provide lunch, showers, they are able to wash clothes, and computers are available. The hours are from 9-5 at the Chesapeake redevelopment housing Authority; New peer support group called Reentry Out held at Enoch Baptist in Virginia Beach from 6-9 on Thursdays; Bank-On with budget network series.

Committee Updates:

- Employment – Job Fair on Sept. 13, 2019, some vendors didn't show up but had a good feedback from attendees and vendors, good marketing for people with justice-involved with a table for them.
- Community Involvement and Juvenile Reentry – will resume after an upcoming event 6th Annual Community Collaboration Re-Entry Summit 9/23/2019 at ODU.

Next meeting: November 15, 2019 – 9am at WDC with a Family Justice Center topic.

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